

God's Gift Shop



An Alternative Christmas Gift Market

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Welcome to the First (Scots) Alternative Christmas Gift Market Catalog! If you would like to share God's love with a hurting world, and are looking for meaningful gifts for your family, friends, and colleagues, we hope you will find everything you need right here. The gifts you choose in the name of others will bring joy and hope many times over to families throughout the world.

See page 15 for contact information to learn more about any mission.

Please read the instructions on the next page before you begin. They will answer the majority of your questions about how our Market works. If you have any additional questions about the items in the catalog, please speak to a representative at a Market, or contact Ann-Marie Charlton (704-608-0068) or Craig Hanson (843-793-2529).

First (Scots) Presbyterian Church wishes you

A BLESSED ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS!!



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Here's How It Works!!!

- 1) The catalog and order form are also available online and are ready to be printed (www.first-scots.org).
- 2) Read the catalog carefully and select gifts you would like to give in the name of family, friends, and colleagues. The catalog offers a wide selection so that you can find just the right gift for each person. And, of course, you may purchase gifts in your own name. **If you wish to purchase a gift for a mission but do not want to choose a particular gift, you may choose “where most needed” on the order form.**
- 3) Complete the order form, which will provide an accurate record for the Market personnel.
- 4) Gift cards are available for you to give to the person in whose name you have purchased gift items. Card inserts will explain each type of gift. For example, the insert accompanying the purchase of a water buffalo will explain how it will be used to improve the lives of families in Asia.
- 5) Total the amount for all gift purchases and the number of gift cards you need. If you do not wish to receive gift cards, enter 0 for the total number of cards.
- 6) Present your list and check—payable to First (Scots) Presbyterian Church—or cash to the cashier and receive your gift cards and receipt.

SHARE THE FAITH!!!!



LOCAL MISSIONS

1) ONE80 Place



ONE80 Place ends and prevents homelessness one person at a time, one family at a time. Through your gifts, you provide people with a place to begin again and an opportunity to live safer lives. Your gift will impact families, individuals, and veterans by providing them with case management, housing assistance, medical attention, employment opportunities and (most important) a new home. Sometimes, guests need a job. Other times, they need a doctor. Yet all of them require a home. No matter the obstacle, your support is the key to their success. Your gift will change lives!

Visit the website one80place.org to learn more about ONE80 Place.

A.	Collect, prepare, serve one meal for a homeless person	\$ 2
B.	Two hours of Adult Education for a homeless person	\$ 4
C.	One blanket for a cold winter's night	\$ 15
D.	Doctor's visit in our homeless health clinic	\$ 25
E.	One night's shelter for a family	\$ 65
F.	Bedding for 20 women & children at our Family Center in Charleston	\$ 75
G.	Rental or utility deposit assistance for someone to move into his/her own home	\$100



2) My Sister's House, Inc.



The mission of My Sister's House is to provide services, programs, and resources to empower domestic violence victims and their children to live free from abuse. Currently, South Carolina ranks fifth in the nation for the number of women murdered by men per year. Know that South Carolina has ranked in the top ten for the past 18 years and number one three times during this time period. Nothing has changed. My Sister's House is a non-profit organization that has served Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester counties since 1980. Women and children in immediate danger from verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse are eligible for services at no charge. The organization provides 24-hour emergency shelter and a crisis line to victims of domestic violence in addition to group and individual counseling, children's programs, outreach programs, and many other services. In 2017, My Sister's House answered 1,812 crisis calls, supported 513 advocacy cases, and sheltered 258 women and children.

A.	Children's Program (uniforms, backpack, school supplies)	\$ 10
B.	Transportation (bus coupons, gas, maintenance on our vans)	\$ 20
C.	Advocacy (court accompaniment)	\$ 25
D.	Share of counseling	\$ 25
E.	Utility deposit for transitional housing	\$ 100
F.	Sponsor a family of four (one woman with three children) for a week (clothing, food, shelter, therapy, counseling) /share	\$2100/ \$100

3) Dee Norton Child Advocacy Center



“I came here feeling broken and hopeless. But now, not only do I feel whole again, but I know I am stronger and more beautiful for having put the pieces back together,” Olivia, a 14-year-old child abuse victim explained how she felt *after* completing her therapy at The Dee Norton Child Advocacy Center.

Last year Dee Norton helped 1,642 children like Olivia heal from the trauma of abuse. Dee Norton provides expert, comprehensive care from the moment of concern about abuse through healing. Our mission is to prevent abuse, protect children and heal families.

When children come to the Center, they will receive a forensic interview to answer the question of what has happened; a medical exam from an MUSC child abuse pediatrician to address any physical concerns; a mental health assessment to determine if they are showing trauma symptoms; and where indicated, therapy to help the child and family heal. We also provide support and coordination, working in partnership with agencies involved with abuse. Our services are provided at no cost to the family.

Child abuse does not have to define who a child is or who they become. Your gift will help children heal and allow them to return to just being children.

A.	Puzzles/games used by children in our lobby	\$ 15
B.	Transportation for a family to DNCAC	\$ 25
C.	Group therapy support	\$ 50
D.	Individual therapy support	\$ 100
E.	Comprehensive services for one child/share	\$1400/\$25



4) Hands of Christ



In 2003, one traditionally “white” congregation and one traditionally “black” congregation of the Charleston-Atlantic Presbytery joined together in a project to show their faith and Christ’s love by providing school children with basic needs of school clothing and supplies. They expected to serve a total of 200 children at distributions held at the two churches. They served 800! First (Scots) began assisting in this effort the next year. This past summer, at least 26 congregations supported 23 distributions at 17 locations, serving a total of 3,936 children—and counting. (The school districts now contact Hands of Christ for emergency needs for individual children throughout the school year.) Since 2003, more than 52,647 children have received assistance from The Hands of Christ!

To learn more about Hands of Christ, visit their website: handsofchrist.net.

A.	Three pairs of socks	\$ 1
B.	Children’s illustrated Bible	\$ 7
C.	Three pairs of underwear	\$ 10
D.	One new uniform for one child (one each: shirt, pants or skirt, socks, undies)	\$ 20
E.	Complete set of two uniforms for one child (two each: shirt, pants or skirt, socks, undies)	\$ 40



5) Metanoia CDC



Metanoia is a community development nonprofit that operates in the Chicora Cherokee neighborhood of North Charleston. A Pew Research study found this community to have the highest concentration of childhood poverty in South Carolina. Its mission states, *“Metanoia Community Development Corporation is a movement of people rooted in faith. We invest in neighborhood assets to build leaders, establish quality housing, and generate economic development. We are pushing forward into new relationships with God and one another to create strong communities.”* Since it began in 2002, Metanoia has worked with families to provide after-school youth programs for 75 students and a Children’s Defense Fund summer Freedom School for 100 students; to build and/or renovate 30 homes for first-time home buyers and renters; to graduate more than 330 adults from our financial literacy classes; to develop a community garden that distributes free fruits and vegetables to all; and to renovate a building that houses classrooms, a volunteer center that sleeps 20, a full kitchen and dining area, as well as a neighborhood café run by minority operator “Dellz on the Macon”. Charity Navigator has awarded Metanoia the top four-star rating. To learn more about Metanoia, please visit <http://pushingforward.org>.

A.	School supplies for one elementary student	\$ 15
B.	Supplies for Youth Entrepreneurship Center	\$ 50
C	College application fees for one HS senior	\$100



6) Thornwell



Police found ten-year-old Samantha and her three sisters living under the crawl space of their house. They were dirty, hurt, and hungry because of their mother's neglect and drug use. Because of the incident, Samantha and her sisters were removed from their parents' care and brought to Thornwell. Here, they found a place where they are safe and loved.

Over the years, Thornwell has helped hundreds of neglected children like Samantha and her siblings. Food, shelter, safety, and the love of Jesus have been brought to these children when they've needed it most through your partnership,

Residential care family-style cottages provide an environment for children to develop social skills, build self-esteem, and make healthy life choices. The same "Teaching Family Method" is also used in the Building Families Program which offers in-home services in local communities to improve parenting and communication skills in order to keep the family together. Thornwell's new Foster Care Parent Training Program provides help not only with the licensing and certification process, but offers 24/7 encouragement, support and training.

A.	Give an ice cream cone to a child	\$ 1
B.	Purchase a child his very own book	\$ 5
C.	Provide a gas card for a transitional teen commuting to college/work	\$ 10
D.	Furnish needed toiletries for a new child admission	\$ 25
E.	Pay the participation fee for a child in a sport or extra-curricular activity	\$ 40
F.	Donate a box of diapers, formula, and shoes or clothing to a Foster Care Family	\$ 50
G.	Provide a meal for a Building Families Workshop	\$ 75
H.	Deliver a new bike to a youth or teen	\$100

7) Wallingford’s Seniors Ministry



The Seniors Ministry of Wallingford Presbyterian Church has been in existence seventeen years and has provided all the participants, from the church and the community, the opportunity to improve their quality of life through Bible Study, Worship, motivational and inspirational readings and reflections, nutritional meals, activities and outings, health education, voter registration education, and informational presentations from various organizations and agencies. The Ministry spearheads the church’s distribution site for the Food Bank and has embarked on a “Stock the Pantry” Mission. It is also responsible for distributing the commodity boxes to the elderly participants who qualify for this service. Services are provided at no cost to the participants. Activities are held every Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. except for holidays and the months of July and August. On average, 50 participants attend; however, on special occasions, there are more than 100. The Ministry also serves as a vessel to foster partnership and collaboration among other churches, agencies, and organizations.

A.	Arts and crafts materials	\$ 25
B.	Gas for the van for a month	\$ 50
C.	Ingredients for a lunch meal	\$ 75
D.	Bingo and door prizes for a quarter of the year	\$ 75
E.	Paper products and supplies for a quarter of the year	\$ 75
F.	Stock the food pantry mission	\$ 75



WORLD MISSIONS

8) La Gonâve Haiti Partnership



Since 1996, First (Scots) has worked in partnership with churches throughout the Southeast to promote access to education, health care, and economic development in ten communities on the Haitian island of La Gonâve. Our church helped build and continues to support the Bill Rice Clinic on the island. With our support, Haitian doctors, midwives, nurses, and community health workers are bringing monthly mobile clinics to these communities. As more women have access to prenatal and child health care, they are delivering healthier babies. The number of malnourished children receiving the protein supplement continues to increase each year with great success. Thus, more children are growing and able to attend school.

A.	Set of pencil, paper, and supplies for one school child	\$ 1
B.	Nurse supplies to examine one child	\$ 1
C.	Administration of immunizations	\$ 5
D.	Newborn baby supplies	\$ 5
E.	An ultrasound session	\$ 10
F.	Safe baby delivery packs	\$ 20
G.	Nutrition Program – protein for a malnourished child	\$ 20
H.	Antibiotics and other medicines	\$ 25
I.	Prenatal care for a pregnant woman	\$ 75
J.	Ambulance tires and repairs	\$100
K.	Nurse’s salary for one month	\$250



9) Water Mission



Water Mission is a nonprofit Christian engineering organization that designs, builds, and implements safe water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) solutions for people in developing countries and disaster areas. Since 2001, Water Mission has used innovative technology and engineering expertise to provide access to safe water and the Living Water Message of Jesus Christ for more than 3 million people in 52 countries. Water Mission has 250 staff members working around the world in permanent country programs located in Africa and Asia; in North, South, and Central America; and the Caribbean.

Notably, Charity Navigator has awarded Water Mission their top rating 11 years in a row, a distinction shared by fewer than one percent of the charities rated by the organization. To learn more about Water Mission, please visit watermission.org.

A.	Safe water for one person	\$ 20
B.	Health and hygiene training	\$ 50
C.	Living Water Ministry activities and materials	\$ 75
D.	Safe water for a family	\$100
E.	Latrine for a family	\$200



10) Medical Benevolence Foundation (PCUSA)

MBF For over 50 years, MBF has been a Christ-centered organization dedicated to transforming lives by building sustainable medical ministries in developing countries. Through long-term partnership, MBF equips the indigenous churches with tools and resources that allow them to meet the health care needs of their community and share the Gospel.

MBF's vision translates into a set of medical ministries that serve the poorest of the poor in the developing world: nursing schools and scholarships; critical health services for women and children; hospital and clinic support and development; and spiritual ministry.

The relationships with MBF partners and churches are mutually beneficial — the indigenous churches are strengthened by showing the love of Christ to their neighbors through critical medical ministries and the U.S. churches are understanding new ways to use their resources and talents for the work of God's kingdom in developing countries. Currently MBF supports more than 20 missionaries covering six different countries.

A.	Moringa tree — the miracle tree	\$ 1
B.	Pre-natal vitamins and iron supplements	\$ 25
C.	Supplies for a nursing school	\$ 40
D.	Renovate decaying clinic and hospital facilities	\$ 50
E.	Support Medical Ministry Greatest Needs Fund	\$ 75
F.	Provide Bibles and hymnals for church services	\$200
G.	Share of a one-year nursing scholarship	\$400
H.	Training for doctors and nurses	\$500



11) Presbyterian Community of Congo



Larry and Inge Sthreshley serve in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with the Presbyterian Community of Congo (CPC). Larry serves as chairman of Good Shepherd Hospital. In addition, he leads a staff of about thirty people in an initiative that involves the government, churches, and the community to develop a resilient health care system providing affordable care and services to 8 million people in five of the country’s provinces. The scope of this project addresses health infrastructure, primary health care, malaria, water and sanitation, vaccinations, nutrition, family planning, HIV, and gender violence.

Trained in tropical agriculture, Inge’s focus is on nutrition education, home gardens, and clean cook stove initiatives. She also oversees a mission guest house and small conference center for mission workers and international church groups and work teams.

A.	Seeds for a home garden	\$ 5
B.	Hospitalization and medications for 3 days	\$ 15
C.	Share of major surgical procedure	\$ 20
D.	Malaria treatment for a child	\$ 30
E.	Super-clean cook stove	\$ 50
F.	Major surgical procedure	\$100

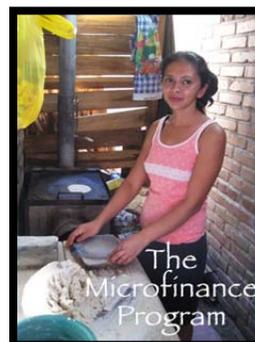


12) LAMB Institute



LAMB is a Christ-centered, multifaceted ministry based in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. We seek to share the hope found in Christ Jesus as we care for, educate, protect and empower those suffering extreme poverty, abuse, and exploitation in Honduras. LAMB was founded in 1999 by lifelong missionary, Suzy McCall. It was always Suzy's vision to hand leadership over to Hondurans, which she did in 2011. Today, LAMB Honduras is entirely managed and run by Honduran leaders who operate an elementary school for children in one of the most violent and poverty-stricken areas of Tegucigalpa, a large youth outreach program, a safe house for victims of human trafficking, multiple community programs, and a residential home outside the city for over 55 children who came from situations of abuse and neglect.

A.	Provide a birthday cake for one child	\$ 10
B.	School books/supplies for one child for one year	\$ 30
C.	Assist in anti-trafficking efforts and the Safe House	\$ 50
D.	Help sponsor a child in the Children's Home	\$100
E.	Teacher salary for one week	\$150



13) Heifer International: USA, Central/South America, Africa, Asia, and Eastern Europe



For almost 75 years, Heifer International has provided livestock and training to more than 32 million families around the world. Giving an animal is like giving someone a small business by providing wool, milk, eggs, and more. Animal donations give families a hand up, increasing access to medicine, school, food, and a sustainable livelihood. Passing on the Gift is the hallmark of Heifer’s approach: each family receiving an animal gift passes on the first female offspring to another family in need, doubling the original gift.

A healthy hen lays over 200 eggs a year — more than enough to eat, keep, or sell. They require little space and can thrive on readily available food scraps. A water buffalo for a farmer in Cambodia or Thailand can plow his fields (earning four times more than plowing by hand), carry his crops to market, and provide milk. In the Andes, llamas carry loads up and down steep slopes, their padded feet not damaging the fragile terrain. Their soft wool makes warm ponchos and blankets to keep or sell. Honeybees pollinate plants as they search for nectar, increasing crop yields and producing valuable honey.

A.	Flock of chicks	\$ 20
B.	Honeybees	\$ 30
C.	Trees — Full \$60; Share \$10	\$ 60/\$10
D.	Goat — Full \$120; Share \$10	\$120/\$10
E.	Sheep — Full \$120; Share \$10	\$120/\$10
F.	Llama— Full \$150; Share \$20	\$150/\$20
G.	Water buffalo— Full \$250; Share \$25	\$250/\$25
H.	Fish Fingerlings— Full \$300; Share \$30	\$300/\$30
I.	Heifer— Full \$500; Share \$50	\$500/\$50

14) Chiapas Presbyterian Church and Medical Missions, Inc. Partnership



Since 2014, Medical Missions Inc. has partnered with missionaries Dr. Salvador and Irma de la Torre and the Presbyterian churches in the state of Chiapas with the rural Mayan farming communities in the hills. In the poorest state in Mexico, the mission is to serve these poor farming communities in three ways: spiritual, medical, and educational. We support the construction of new churches and fellowship halls, build and run medical clinics with visiting mission groups, and build early childhood education centers. It is a true partnership with the churches providing labor and leading the church activities, the de la Torres providing project supervision and medical attention to the villages, and MMI providing resources for construction and mission groups to volunteer for the clinics, Bible school programs, and construction projects.

A.	Bench for the church	\$ 10
B.	Gallon of paint	\$ 10
C.	Fans for the church	\$ 15
D.	Vitamins and vaccinations for a child	\$ 15
E.	Bag of cement	\$ 25
F.	Glass window for the church	\$ 25
G.	One day's registration for youth conference	\$ 25
H.	Dump truck of sand or truckload of gravel	\$ 150
I.	Stove for the new kitchen	\$ 150
J.	Sound equipment for the new church	\$ 250



To learn more about the missions, please contact:

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What is Christmas?

*It's more than a day
at the end of the year.
More than a season
of joy and good cheer –
Christmas is really
God's pattern for living,
To be followed all year
by unselfish giving.
For in giving to others
and in being kind
Man finds true joy
and peace of mind –
And peace on earth
will come to stay
When we live Christmas
every day.*

Helen Steiner Rice



*"...for I was hungry and you gave me
something to eat, I was thirsty and you
gave me something to drink, I was a
stranger and you invited me in, I
needed clothes and you clothed me, I
was sick and you looked after me, I was
in prison and you came to visit me."*

Matthew 25:35,36