

2015-2016 PRESBYTERIAN  
**GIVING CATALOG**

*Your gift makes a difference.*



**FEATURED GIFT | PAIR OF GOATS**

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# Grace and Gratitude: As Presbyterians, we are a people rooted in the grace of Jesus Christ. It is our gratitude for God's grace that moves us to join in God's mission in the world, with ministries of love and justice, reconciliation and peace.

Generous gifts to the Presbyterian Giving Catalog are signs of our gratitude: feeding the hungry, comforting the broken-hearted, and sharing our faith with young and old. By joining our gifts together, however large or small, we expand our witness to God's gracious and abundant work in the world.

Your donation is only one of the many ways you can make a life-changing difference. Spread the word with family and friends. Involve your congregation. God is at work in the world, and this is one way for us to join in!

Each gift pictured in the Presbyterian Giving Catalog exemplifies the work prayerfully carried out by ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. These ministries work in collaboration with Presbyterians, congregations, mid councils, and church partners. The purchase and distribution of animals, the building of wells to provide life-giving clean water to entire communities, and ministries to youth and young adults are among the many ways your gift is filling a need, making an impact, and providing hope here in the United States and around the globe.

*The Presbyterian Mission Agency is the ministry and mission agency of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Your generous gifts given through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog will directly impact the ministries supported by Special Offerings. As a commitment to good stewardship, we are unable to use our limited resources to track individual gifts to individual communities or families. This practice enables us to use your gift to make the greatest impact. Your gift, combined with others, will be used by the ministries that receive funding from one of the four churchwide Special Offerings to carry out this important work.*



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE IMPACT OF SPECIAL OFFERINGS AT:

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# How it works



Gifts are designated to causes and programs you have chosen.

Gifts are distributed to share Christ's love where needed in the world.



# About the Cover

Tomas Rivero casts a net as he fishes on the Pilcomayo River in the Gran Chaco region which covers Southeastern Bolivia, Western Paraguay, and Northeast and Northwest Argentina. Tomas is a leader of the Union of Pilcomayo River Fishers and an advocate for cleaning up the river, which has been plagued by contamination from upstream mining and construction. Both the Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People (SDOP) have been supporting the Gran Chaco in various ways since 2008 and 2013 respectively. In 2013, a fund called the Ecumenical Small Projects Fund for the South American Chaco was created. Supported by SDOP, this fund addresses major concerns like climate justice, alternative economies and income generating activities, humanitarian aid monitoring and accountability, and protection of human rights defenders, with the aim of improving lives and empowering the inhabitants of Chaco.

Cover Photo: Paul Jeffrey/CWS

INTERESTED IN PROVIDING FISHING SUPPLIES?

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*“Remember the words of the Lord Jesus,  
‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”*

(ACTS 20:35)





## Pair of Goats

\$178

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ITEM OG10018

For hundreds of years, goats have been a generous source of milk, cheese, butter, and yogurt. These valuable foods offer nutrition to those who need it most. The gift of a pair of goats is one that will keep providing.

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**A Prayer:** *God, you have promised to pour water on the thirsty land and streams on the dry ground. May the wells that are built bring abundance to the land. May all who are thirsty have water to drink. And may you pour out your Spirit upon us all, so that Living Water might flow from our hearts. Amen.*

—Isaiah 44:3, John 7:38



## One Mule

**\$50 SHARE | \$500 ONE MULE**

ITEM OG10002

Transportation of fruits, vegetables, and grains to market can be a challenge for farmers. Providing a mule to a farmer who depends on the sale of crops can help feed his family.



## Tilapia Fingerlings

**\$15 | ITEM OG10005**

Giving a South African family 225 tilapia fingerlings could be the start of a flourishing fish farm that provides an ongoing source of nutrition and protein.



Kristi Van Nostran

## Family of Chickens

**\$25 | ITEM OG10019**

A high-producing chicken can lay one egg almost every day. Gifts of chickens could provide a family with an ongoing source of food and nourishment.



## Piglet

**\$40/PIGLET | ITEM OG20009**

Your gift of one—or a few—piglets can serve as a valuable safety net—a source of income for a family in need. When sold at market, a pig can be the very thing that helps a family through times of struggle.





## Garden Well

\$50 SHARE | \$1,250 WELL

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### ITEM OG10020

A well provides clean water for drinking, bathing, washing, and irrigation to an entire community. Change the lives of countless people by giving them a reliable and convenient source of water. Donate the cost of an entire well, or purchase a share.

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**STORY OF IMPACT:** In the fall of 2014, the Presbyterian Hunger Program awarded a grant to a Ghanaian non-profit organization for the construction of hand-dug wells fitted with hydraulic pumps in the Hohoe Municipality. These new wells will help thousands in an area where one in five persons have no access to clean water.



Laurie MacGragor, NCA, ACT

## Sand Dam

**\$500** | ITEM OG30005

Sand dams are a simple yet highly effective way to provide clean water for an entire community. A concrete wall is built across a seasonal riverbed, and sand fills in behind it—trapping rainwater. An average sand dam can store millions of gallons of water for years, and provide water for drinking and/or irrigation even when droughts occur. Your gift of necessary tools and equipment could help build a dam.



Mark Hare

## Rainwater Catchment System

**\$75** | ITEM OG10009

Rainwater can be a precious resource when collected, stored, and filtered properly. Help communities collect usable water for irrigation and washing with a rainwater catchment system.



Eric Mattson, FRB

## Treadle Pump

**\$65** | ITEM OG10021

Crop irrigation is a primary concern for farmers around the world. Without water, crops will wither and die, leaving behind starving communities. One treadle pump can help ensure that these precious crops will come to harvest.



Paul Jeffrey/ACT

## Spigot for Clean Drinking Water

**\$70** | ITEM OG10016

Access to clean water improves the health and well-being of entire communities. Help provide safe, accessible drinking water, relieve water-borne diseases, increase food production, and allow more children to attend school.





## Bag of Moringa Tree Seeds

\$30

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ITEM OG10010

Moringa trees provide nutrition, water-purification, clean air, and habitats for life-sustaining wildlife. A gift of a 5.5 lb sack of Moringa seeds is enough to start a small nursery of these quickly-growing, drought-tolerant trees.

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**STORY OF IMPACT:** The Presbyterian Hunger Program is involved with a broad campaign to promote the planting and use of Moringa trees in various countries whose populations suffer from hunger and malnutrition. Numerous projects, including tree planting, publication of educational materials, culinary preparations, and nutrition training seminars, have been implemented in Senegal, Gambia, the D.R. of Congo, and Haiti, among others.



## One Bag of Seeds

**\$30** | ITEM OG10012

A flourishing crop begins with a single seed. Give communities sustenance and hope—a bag filled with seed for corn, millet, sorghum, or rice.



## Farming Tools

**\$10** | ITEM OG10022

Growing and harvesting a fruitful crop is possible only with the proper tools, such as shovels and machetes. This necessary equipment can help bring a fruitful yield from the land.

## Community Garden

**\$200** | ITEM OG20012

For many urban areas, healthy and affordable produce is hard to find. Educating individuals on cultivating their own neighborhood gardens can provide balanced nutrition, income, meaningful employment, and a sense of community.

**GIFTS TOTALING \$150 OR MORE RECEIVE THIS FREE ORNAMENT!**

For your kind gifts, receive this fair trade ornament made in Hanoi, Vietnam. Created with discarded magazine pages, each piece is made by hand. This beautiful ornament is a symbol of skillful craft and your generosity.





## Emergency Life Pack

\$125

ITEM OG30002

Give a lifeline to those struggling to survive. The people you will help are in dire need of support. This crucial pack contains a tarpaulin, two blankets, two jerry cans for water, high-protein biscuits, and soap.

***A Prayer:** God of refuge and strength, protect and rescue those who are displaced, weak or in need. Supply shelter and warmth, food and safety, to all who have none on this day. Restore them, O God, and bring justice to the Earth, for every one of us belongs to you. **Amen.***

— Psalm 82:3-4





## Kitchen Kit

**\$25** | ITEM OG30004

Food requires preparation, and families who have lost everything in a disaster often lack the basic tools needed to cook a meal. A kitchen kit contains cooking pots, utensils, bowls, cups, and spoons.



## Refugee Food Basket

**\$50** | ITEM PG10001

Followers of Christ are called to show love and kindness toward those less fortunate. Extend a caring hand with a basket of food and essential supplies for a refugee family.



## Supplies for Displaced Students

**\$30** | ITEM PG10002

Provide the opportunity of education to students who have lost everything. With a gift of school supplies, three students living in a Lebanese refugee camp can be empowered through learning.



## Beekeeping Kit

**\$240** | ITEM OG10017

Bees benefit communities in countless ways—from more fruitful crops to sources of income. Provide positive change for a village with a gift of bee hives and necessary tools.



## Racial Ethnic Education

**\$100-\$1,500** | ITEM CJ10003

Invest in our future church leaders by providing much-needed educational assistance for racial ethnic students. Your gifts are needed to help support individuals who would not otherwise be able to obtain an education and contribute to the church and society. Give the gift of a brighter future.



Mai Gad, ACT/DCA/LWF

## Spiritual Leadership Training

**\$340** | ITEM OG30006

People in the new country of South Sudan continue to seek peace following years of war. Your support could provide spiritual training for church leaders, building the resilience to continue peacebuilding in their once-torn communities.



Your selected items make wonderful gifts for loved ones. Upon receipt of your order, a card will be mailed to you for each item ordered and a printable certificate of gift will be emailed. *Certificates can be tucked into the cards you receive, and be given as gifts that symbolize God's boundless love.*





## Skills Coaching for People with Mental Illness

**\$500** | ITEM OG20006

The Brevard Drop-In Center located in Melbourne, Florida, provides certification and training courses for people living with a mental illness. Your generosity can create access to support and supplies designed to help course participants qualify for and keep employment.



Christi Boyd

## Youth Agriculture Training

**\$65** | ITEM OG10014

Change a life in Africa, Haiti, India, or Sri Lanka by giving an aspiring youth the opportunity to receive training in sustainable agriculture and community project management. Once trained, this young person will have the knowledge to transform entire communities.



## Rehabilitative Course for Juveniles

**\$1,000** | ITEM PM10007

Gun-related crimes run rampant throughout much of the United States. Your gift can help steer juvenile weapons offenders in the right direction through education on the real and long-term consequences of gun violence.



## Support for Entrepreneurial Start-Ups

**\$100** | ITEM OG20010

Small businesses can make a world of difference for families and communities. Equip aspiring entrepreneurs in urban and rural India with the education they need on how to get a loan, and the best way to invest start-up funding for future success.



## Presbyterian Youth Triennium

**\$475** REGISTRATION FOR ONE YOUTH

ITEM PO20005

Covering the PYT registration fee for a hopeful Presbyterian youth could provide an opportunity for a life-changing experience. Invest in the spiritual growth of a young follower of Christ through your gift.

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**\$300** TRAVEL FOR GLOBAL PARTNERS

ITEM PO20001

The Presbyterian Youth Triennium (PYT) unites thousands of youth from across the globe every three years for worship, prayer, play, and community. Our global participants can be hampered by travel expenses like visa fees. Your support could be the key piece that allows a hopeful global partner to participate.



## The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)’s vision for ministry with young people unites youth in Christ with other generations and proclaims the love of God without end.

This goal is realized through the endeavors of the Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program and through the Ministries with Youth program, which organizes events such as the Presbyterian Youth Triennium (PYT).

YAVs put their *faith into action* through a year of service in sites around the United States and throughout the world. YAVs serve alongside local partners working in the areas of the world’s toughest problems—addressing the root causes of poverty, working for reconciliation in cultures of violence, and sharing the hope of Christ. YAVs (age 19–30) grow and learn as part of an intentional Christian community, practice living simply, and work for meaningful change in the world.

Among the many resources and events sponsored by the Ministries with Youth program, the Presbyterian Youth Triennium is a flagship event. The Youth Triennium brings together thousands (5,300 in 2013) of high school age youth and their adult youth workers for a week of worship, bible study, community building, cultural exchange, and mission exploration.



### Peace Pals/House of Teens

**\$300** | ITEM PM10010

In areas where gang and drug cultures have a pervasive presence, you can transform a young life by supporting productive ways for teens and children to spend their time. Gifts can provide positive community involvement and engagement, leading to healthy and hopeful futures.



### YAV Groceries

**\$100** | ITEM PO30002

The good work of these selfless Young Adult Volunteers requires fuel and nutrition. Help feed their minds and soul with a gift of a month’s worth of groceries.



## Peace Camp

\$150

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ITEM PM10002

Sending a child to Peace Camp is a life-changing gift. The experience leads to stronger communication skills, tools to resolve conflict, appreciation for diversity, and a belief in the power of peacemaking.

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**A Prayer:** *Prince of Peace, we desire to follow you as agents of peace in cultures of violence. Bring your comfort to those who mourn, and your justice to victims. Encourage us again in the way of your peace, a peace which will overcome the world. Amen.*

— John 16:33





### YAV Spanish Lesson

**\$25** | ITEM PO30008

Young Adult Volunteers often serve in Spanish-speaking countries. Provide a language lesson that can help alleviate the challenges that come with communication barriers, allowing them to fearlessly spread God's word.



### YAV Day of Tutoring/ Snacks for 20 Children

**\$50** | ITEM PO30001

Fuel a child's mind and body through tutoring and nutritious food. These essential elements can help propel a child in need along a path of success and fulfillment.



### YAV Lodging

**\$250** | ITEM PO30012

As Young Adult Volunteers work to understand other cultures through spiritual needs, they need a caring home away from home. Your gift can help with rent, or to offset the increased costs a host family incurs while sheltering one of our YAVs.



### YAV Weekly Bus Pass

**\$25** | ITEM PO30009

Young Adult Volunteers serve communities by providing spiritual enlightenment and physical labor. Allow them to fully experience this journey with a gift that will help them get to and from work each and every day.



## Bunk Beds for Children

**\$200/BED** | ITEM PM10009

Without sleep, our bodies and spirits weaken. Many children face each night without a safe, proper place to lay their heads. Your support of programs like A Place to Sleep can provide a bunk bed to a child in need.



## Bed Bug Protective Covers

**\$100** | ITEM PM10005

Bed bugs spread disease and can cause immense discomfort. Your gift can help protect a child's body and provide restful sleep.



## Linens and Blankets

**\$50** | ITEM PM10012

Every child wants to be tucked in at night. A sense of warmth and safety can be created for them by providing sheets and blankets. They'll sleep easier and more comfortably knowing they're protected.





## Income and Housing Assistance for Retired Pastors

**\$100-\$2,500** | ITEM CJ20003

Sometimes long-serving church workers cannot cover their total living expenses in retirement, no matter how carefully they've saved over the years. Your gift helps provide Income and Housing Supplements for those church workers who have nowhere else to turn, providing a tangible expression of God's love.



## Shared Grants and Emergency Assistance Grants

**\$100-\$2,500** | ITEM CJ20004

Occasionally, church workers face unexpected financial challenges, such as bills after an illness or the expense of flood damage to a home. Combined with the assistance of mid councils and employing organizations, your gift helps lift a burden from the shoulders of PC(USA) church workers in need.



## Public Transportation Assistance

**\$20-\$100** | ITEM OG20001

Too often, the first challenge of a job interview is finding a way to get there. Help a job-seeker find employment by giving the gift of transportation to job interviews, career workshops, medical appointments, and other meetings.



## Women's Empowerment Project

**\$100/WOMAN** | ITEM OG10015

One goal of women in Africa is to reduce hunger and poverty in their communities. Assist in the empowerment of these women by providing agriculture education, literacy assistance, and access to loans and credit services for small groups.



# PEOPLE - RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE



Paul Jeffrey, ACT

## Fishing Boat and Accessories

**\$1,200** | ITEM OG30007

Many fishermen in the Philippines lost their boats to Typhoon Haiyan, leaving them without a source of income. A renewed ability to earn a living and provide for their families could be created with your gift of equipment restoration or replacement.

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## Bicycle for a Pastor

**\$75** | ITEM PG10003

Provide a bicycle to a hard-working pastor in rural Zambia, allowing work in multiple prayer house locations and enabling home visits with congregants.



Michael Fagans

## Tools for Cooperative Business Redevelopment

**\$100** | ITEM OG20011

Around the world, entrepreneurial individuals and groups take action to break the cycle of economic poverty through new businesses. However, they have no protection against unforeseen natural disasters or theft. Provide tools to help those who are seeking to rebuild.