



Love allows us to bridge great distances so that children an ocean away are as precious to us as the little ones living right down the block.

Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church and Honorary Co-Chair of ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE

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ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE

To learn about the campaign and our work helping children, our excellent Advent resources for churches and families – like the DIY Creche and Wreath, and how you can help communities nurture children to their full potential through an act of love of your own, please visit episcopalrelief.org/1000DaysOfLove

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Episcopal Relief & Development is committed to using all donations effectively and appropriately to serve and empower vulnerable people around the world. To learn more, visit us online at episcopalrelief.org/who-we-are/financials/.

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GIFTS FOR LIFE

TRANSFORM A LIFE:
Give a gift with lasting impact

2020 ADVENT CALENDAR INSIDE!

PUTTING THEIR FAITH IN ACTION:

FEATURED CONGREGATION

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, Corona CA

SHARE GIFTS FOR LIFE WITH COMMUNITIES WORLDWIDE

Every year, congregations and schools across the church find creative and inspiring ways to support *Gifts for Life*. We're excited to share one of these incredible success stories with you – and hope you will share your story with us next year!

Each Advent, Karen Chavez, Deacon at St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in Corona CA, chooses a project that will raise awareness in her congregation about a need in the community or the world. Then she sets out to raise funds for that cause.



Her choice for 2019 was Episcopal Relief & Development's ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE, our grassroots campaign to expand our global programs to improve the lives of children through age six. Karen introduced the Advent Challenge during a sermon on Christ the King Sunday, setting an ambitious goal of \$6,000, their highest fundraising goal ever.

She met with a group of volunteers to form a team. They created a display board, asked the choir director to teach children "Jesus Loves the Little Children" and handled the logistics of donations. She also enlisted a talented parishioner named Mary to make ornaments for those who made a donation.

During the offertory on Epiphany Sunday, three children presented a gift of just over \$6,000 to the baby Jesus lying in the manger.

MAKE EVERY DAY OF ADVENT COUNT

Hang the calendar on the reverse in your church or school to serve as inspiration throughout the Advent season. Each day offers a new opportunity to empower people worldwide.

How will your congregation take part in ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE?

Share your story at info@episcopalrelief.org



2020 GIFTS FOR LIFE ADVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</p> <p>"I give thanks to my God always for you because of the Grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus."</p> <p>— 1 Corinthians 1:4</p>	<p>2 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>A child has 1,000 days on average before they turn 10. Give compassion the chance to grow, learn, and thrive for life.</p>	<p>3 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>GIVE COVID-19 RELIEF KITS</p> <p>Give compassion the resources and knowledge to respond to the next emergency.</p> <p>\$45 for one kit / \$101.25 for three kits</p>	<p>4 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Set aside time each day to light the candles, pray and learn how you can make a change in children's lives this Advent.</p>	<p>5 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Around the world, one out of every five children lives on less than \$1.00 a day.</p>	<p>6 GIVE A BICYCLE</p> <p>Help community members spend more time with children and their families.</p> <p>\$50 per bike / \$104.00 for three bikes</p>	<p>7 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>"Like you and your family, we are all children of God."</p> <p>— Martin Luther</p>
<p>8 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</p> <p>"A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.'"</p> <p>— Isaiah 40:3</p>	<p>9 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Water, sanitation and hygiene are essential to prevent spread of infectious diseases including COVID-19.</p>	<p>10 GIVE VITAMINS & PREVENTIVE MEDICINE</p> <p>Ensure children build strong foundations for healthy growth.</p> <p>\$65 per share / \$101.25 for three shares</p>	<p>11 SAINT NICHOLAS</p> <p>Saint Nicholas, whose feast is observed on December 6th, is known for his generosity to those in need and his love for children. Take this time to pray for the children of the world.</p>	<p>12 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, caring relationships with adults benefits healthy brain development in young children.</p>	<p>13 GIVE A GOAT</p> <p>Give sustainability: goats produce meat, milk and manure for income.</p> <p>\$80 for one goat / \$101.25 for three goats</p>	<p>14 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>"How we are is how we act. Before we can improve the world, we must first improve ourselves."</p> <p>— Anna Frey</p>
<p>15 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</p> <p>"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me."</p> <p>— Isaiah 61:1</p>	<p>16 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>High quality early childhood education improves a child's chances for success later in life.</p>	<p>17 GIVE SAVINGS & LOAN GROUPS FOR WOMEN</p> <p>Empower women to manage their financial future and meet their families' needs.</p> <p>\$40 per member / \$101.25 for three members</p>	<p>18 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, safe homes are essential for the thriving of children and families.</p>	<p>19 GIVE CARE FOR MOMS & NEWBORNS</p> <p>Support the health of mothers and their babies.</p> <p>\$30 per mother and child / \$101.25 for three mothers and children</p>	<p>20 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>"To be not to corrupt, must act."</p> <p>— Daniel 1:8</p>	<p>21 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me."</p> <p>— Isaiah 61:1</p>
<p>22 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>"Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.'"</p> <p>— Luke 1:38</p>	<p>23 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>More than 600 million people worldwide lack access to a secure water source.</p>	<p>24 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>High quality early childhood education improves a child's chances for success later in life.</p>	<p>25 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, safe homes are essential for the thriving of children and families.</p>	<p>26 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, safe homes are essential for the thriving of children and families.</p>	<p>27 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, safe homes are essential for the thriving of children and families.</p>	<p>28 DID YOU KNOW?</p> <p>Stable, safe homes are essential for the thriving of children and families.</p>

2020 GIFTS FOR LIFE ADVENT CALENDAR

BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR
ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE GIFTS ♥

SUNDAY

29 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"I give thanks to my God always for you because of the Grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus."

—1 Corinthians 1:4

MONDAY

30 | DID YOU KNOW?

A child's first 1,000 days are foundational in their capacity to grow, learn, and thrive for life.



TUESDAY

1 | #GIVINGTUESDAY

GIVE COVID-19 RELIEF KITS

Give communities the resources and knowledge to respond to the novel coronavirus.

\$45 for one kit / PH1201

WEDNESDAY

2 | DIY ADVENT WREATH

Set aside time each day to light the candle, pray and learn how you can make a change in children's lives this Advent.

THURSDAY

3 | DID YOU KNOW?

Around the world, one out of every five children lives on less than \$1.90 a day.



FRIDAY

4

GIVE A BICYCLE

Help community volunteers spend more time with children and their families.

\$95 per bike / PH0403

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SATURDAY

5 | WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'"

—Martin Luther King



WRITE YOUR GOAL BELOW

Use the thermometer to gauge your progress throughout the month!

OUR GOAL:

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6 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.'"

—Isaiah 40:3

7 | DID YOU KNOW?

Water, sanitation and hygiene are essential to prevent spread of infectious diseases including COVID-19.



8

GIVE VITAMINS & PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

Ensure children build strong foundations for healthy growth.

\$65 per share / PH1001

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9 | SAINT NICHOLAS

Saint Nicholas, whose feast is observed on Dec. 6, is known for his generosity to those in need and his love for children. Take this time to pray for the children of the world.

10 | DID YOU KNOW?

Stable, caring relationships with adults benefits healthy brain development in young children.



11

GIVE A GOAT

Give sustainability – goats produce staple items such as milk, cheese and manure for farming.

\$80 for one goat / FS0102

12 | WORDS TO LIVE BY

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

—Anne Frank



13 | THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me."

—Isaiah 61:1

14 | DID YOU KNOW?

High quality early childhood education improves a child's chances for success later in life.



15

GIVE SAVINGS & LOAN GROUPS FOR WOMEN

Empower women to manage their household finances to meet their families' needs.

\$60 per member / FS1805

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16 | DIY CRECHE THE HOLY FAMILY

Today, we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus, just as Mary and Joseph did. Pray this week for those who we love and those who love us.

17 | DID YOU KNOW?

Disease prevention services such as vaccinations are essential for children to survive and thrive.



18

GIVE CARE FOR MOMS & NEWBORNS

Support the health of mothers and their babies.

\$35 per mother and child / PH0801

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19 | WORDS TO LIVE BY

"It is not enough to be compassionate. You must act."

—Dalai Lama



20 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.'"

—Luke 1:38

21 | DID YOU KNOW?

More than 650 million people worldwide lack access to a secure water source.



22 | DIY CRECHE NURTURE CHILDREN

As you bring gifts to Baby Jesus, think about how they help children reach their full potential as children of God.

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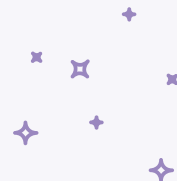
GIVE A ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE PACKAGE

Empower communities to help children up to age six thrive and achieve their full potential.

\$1,000 / CH1010

ONE THOUSAND DAYS OF LOVE GIFT ♥

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CHRISTMAS EVE

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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