

# Christmas Joy

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There is something special and precious about celebrating Christmas with a child. I am sure you would agree, celebrating the birth of our glorious Savior takes on added wonder and joy when children are involved. Parents everywhere love to give gifts and



Children are excited to receive candy and soap for Christmas

treats to their children at Christmas. Sadly, most of the children supported and loved through your generous gifts to Global Outreach do not have parents that can give them a special treat at Christmas. Thank God for ministries like Samaritan's purse that provides shoeboxes filled with gifts for thousands of children around the globe. Unfortunately, the children we support will not be receiving any gifts without your help.

We are inviting you to join with us to make this Christmas just a little more special for the children we serve. In Congo, the orphans look forward to a special meal along with a Christmas worship service. The 1,200 or so children from the community who attend the feeding program at Congo for Christ will be looking forward to receiving one piece of candy and a small bar of soap. These are the types of gifts we have been able to provide for them the past two years. In addition, we provide a side of beef that allows each of them to have a small taste of meat along with their usual beans and rice. The cost for the beef, candy and soap is \$675.



New school uniforms for orphans at Christmas in India

In India, the children at the thirteen Feed My People orphanages look forward to a special meal that includes a small piece of chicken. They also receive a new school uniform and some years they have received a small toy. The school uniforms cost \$1,000 and any additional funds help with the cost of the Christmas meal.

In Bangladesh, they use the Christmas season to spread the Gospel to unreached villages through



Look at the smiles your gift can bring!

teaching and preaching about Christ's birth. They also make it a day of celebration by serving a meal and providing games and prizes. Pastor Samuel is asking for \$200 to provide these treats for two villages.

**Will you help us make this Christmas special for these friends who have had to endure such great hardships? Thank you!**



## Vietnam Lepers and Orphans



Pastor \*Daniel recently sent a report with updates on the ministry in Vietnam. For their protection we will not give the name of the ministry. Global Outreach has partnered with this vital ministry in three main areas of outreach for several years.

**Lepers:** They minister to a total of 27 leper colonies. Most of the residents of these colonies are Christians and many have children. They are ostracized

and remain forgotten in remote mountain areas. Many have lost toes and fingers making it impossible for them to work in fields. They resort to eating wild roots and leaves to survive. Even this natural resource is scarce in many of these areas.



Well provides life giving water for lepers and their children

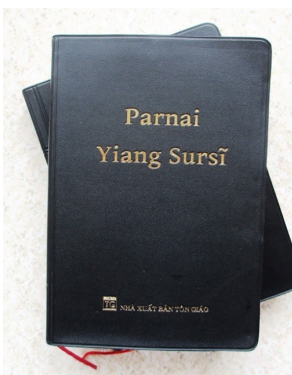
In addition to the difficulty in finding food, they have suffered from severe drought throughout the past two years. The rivers and streams nearby are mostly dried up. Global Outreach has supplied funding to provide four wells. We would love to provide more wells to ease the suffering of these precious brothers and sisters in Christ. A gift of \$500 will provide one well.

**Orphans:** In the July 2016 newsletter we shared that this ministry has three orphanages. We have personally visited with the staff and children of



Orphans sleeping at \*Bethel Orphanage

\*Bethel Orphanage. \*Daniel reports that due to lack of funds they have had to close the other two orphanages and only \*Bethel remains open. The orphans are always short of food. He reports that they resort to digging through trash at the markets to find discarded, rotting vegetables for the children. We would love to provide more funds to help provide the very basic needs of these beautiful children.



**Bibles:** Over 700 Vietnamese Bibles have been distributed to the younger generation of different tribes in the Southern province. These young people are attending public school so they read and write Vietnamese fluently. We will be sending money from the "William and Carrie Reed Bible Fund" to help supply more Bibles in Vietnam.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help meet the needs of Christians in Vietnam and support Pastor Daniel in this dynamic Christ-centered ministry.

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will reward them for what they have done." Proverbs 19:17