

barnabasaid
bringing hope to suffering Christians

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About Barnabas Aid

Barnabas Aid is an international aid agency that supports Christian communities, churches and individuals around the world who face persecution and discrimination because of their faith.



1. We channel money, dry foodstuffs, medical and other aid **from** Christians **through** Christians **to** Christians. Donations from individuals and churches are forwarded to local ministries and Christian organisations in contexts of poverty, pressure and persecution to bring about practical and spiritual transformation in the lives of suffering believers.



2. We encourage prayer for the persecuted Church by providing comprehensive prayer materials. We believe in the power of prayer to change people's lives and circumstances, either through grace to endure or through deliverance from suffering.



3. We believe the clear Biblical teaching that Christians should treat all people (of all religions and none) with love and compassion – even those who seek to persecute them. We carry out our vision and purpose accordingly, but we will not compromise what we believe the Word of God teaches.

“As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”
Galatians 6:10, (NIV, emphasis added)

Dear brothers and sisters,

Thank you for your faithful and prayerful support for the work of Barnabas Aid. We never cease to be grateful for the care and generosity of our supporters.

In this booklet you can find out how you can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters by giving a gift. You can provide food, water, education, job opportunities and spiritual strength for believers in lands of poverty and desperate need.

Their need remains undiminished. Natural disasters and weather extremes, food scarcity, disease and war affect our brothers and sisters just as they affect all people. On top of this, believers suffer worsening anti-Christian persecution.

We know from the Bible that this will continue until our Lord returns (see Matthew 24:6-11). But we also know that we are called to act in response:

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." – Galatians 6:10

Growing your gift

If you are a UK taxpayer and you sign the Gift Aid declaration on page i in the centre of this booklet we can claim an additional 25p from the government for every £1 you donate, so your support goes even further at no extra cost to you.

These suggested gifts could make a thoughtful alternative birthday or Christmas present. We can also supply an attractive gift card to send to the person on whose behalf you have made the donation. For details of the different gift cards available, see page iv.

Regular giving in particular allows us to plan strategically, respond quickly to urgent situations, and also helps to keep our administrative costs low. Our regular donations form can be found on page iii.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



GRANT KAUFFMAN

Head of Operations
(UK)

food.gives

“The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.” – Proverbs 22:9

“We are so grateful to God for providing us with food through the generosity of Barnabas. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!”

These are the words of Grace, whose family of seven was among the 1,008 Fijian families who received lentils, chickpeas, flour and rice in 2024 through food.gives.

In 2024 the food.gives project has delivered more than 5.2 million servings of food to our hungry brothers and sisters around the world.

food.gives functions as an international food bank, shipping food donated by Christians, through Christians, to Christians.

Our project partner in Zimbabwe described food.gives aid as “nothing short of life-saving”.

Zimbabwe declared a state of disaster on 3 April 2024 owing

to worsening drought, which has caused severe levels of food insecurity. Our supporters donated 23.5 tonnes of lentils that provided 470,000 servings to more than 11,600 people.

In 2024 food.gives also continued to send regular shipments of food, medical aid, clothes and more to our brothers and sisters in Ukraine.

The importance of our continued assistance was highlighted with our most recent aid shipment. “We are now left only with Barnabas’ help,” said our project partner, “and we are so thankful because you stay close to us.”

According to the World Food Programme, as many as 309 million people are currently facing chronic hunger, in 71 different countries. Many of these are our brothers and sisters. Please consider donating food, money or time so that the vital work of food.gives can continue.

Do you have food to spare?

Can you add extra food for Christians in need into your weekly shop?

Head to www.food.gives to order a Starter Pack of boxes, fill them up and send them back to us for free.



Scan me!

You can also order pre-filled boxes at www.food.gives/get-involved/virtual-shop



Scan me!

Food aid sent to Fiji provided relief to Christians who struggle with profound economic hardship

Project References:

PR1555 food.gives general

PR1556 food.gives food costs

PR1557 food.gives shipping and other distribution costs

PR1622 food.gives dehydration



Medical needs

A Christian in Lebanon receives Barnabas-funded medication



“LORD my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.”

– Psalm 30:2

Many Christians live in uncertain or perilous circumstances, lacking access to medical resources and medicines so readily available in the West. Barnabas helps to meet their needs by funding medical facilities, equipment and medicines.

In recent years we have supported projects for Christians in places such as India, Pakistan, Nigeria, South Sudan, Haiti and countries in Central Asia.

The economic crisis in Lebanon has caused the price of medicines to rise so high that many impoverished Christians are rationing what little medication they have to make it last longer. Barnabas has been helping the chronically ill by providing the medication they need each month.

“Your support makes a big difference not only by providing medication but by giving people the assurance that they are not forgotten,” said our project partner.

£5 (\$6; €5.50) could provide a pack of crepe bandages for a medical backpack in Nigeria

£9 (\$11; €10) could provide a trauma pad in Nigeria

£10 (\$12; €11) could provide a Christian family with a month of much-needed medication in Lebanon

£20 (\$24; €22) could provide a blood pressure monitoring machine in Nigeria

Project References: PR1533 Needy Christians in Lebanon | PR1700 Opportunity Africa



Water

Christian communities in West African countries are among those who have been blessed by the provision of clean water, funded by Barnabas

“He split the rocks in the wilderness and gave them water as abundant as the seas; he brought streams out of a rocky crag and made water flow down like rivers.” – Psalm 78:15-16

Water is essential for life and health, yet many Christians have limited or no access to a supply of clean water for drinking, cooking and washing.

Christians are sometimes denied access to water because of their faith. Converts who have left the majority religion of their village or region are at particular risk.

As well as this, Christian women and girls often have to walk long distances to fetch supplies,

making them vulnerable to harassment or attack.

Believers are also among those who suffer the loss of clean drinking water after natural disasters such as floods and earthquakes.

In recent years Barnabas Aid has funded water projects in countries such as Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. We also send bottled water or water-purifying tablets for areas afflicted by natural disasters.

£20 (\$24; €22)
could fund four hours of drilling of a borehole in a West African country

£100 (\$120; €110)
could pay for a hand pump in a South Asian country

£982 (\$1,178; €1,080)
could provide clean drinking water for a West African village (approx. 5,000 people)



Victims of violence

“No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction within your borders, but you will call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise.”

– Isaiah 60:18

In many countries our brothers and sisters face persistent anti-Christian violence. Barnabas responds by reaching those affected by this violence and supplying vital aid.

There is no sign of an end to the violence towards Christians in northern and Middle Belt Nigeria. Thousands have been killed. Families are forced to flee from attacks, often taking only what they can carry.

Through our project partners we have provided these communities with food and other essentials – sleeping mats, blankets and mosquito nets, household items to replace those lost or destroyed when their homes were burned down.

Through training sessions and the provision of medical backpacks, volunteer first responders can provide life-saving care for the injured.

We supply educational resources for displaced children who have lost their teachers in the violence or been forced to flee far from their schools.

In the Christian area of Jaranwala, Pakistan, at least 24 churches and several dozen smaller chapels were set on fire, and the homes of more than 100 believers were burned, looted or vandalised by an Islamist mob in 2023. We delivered food and practical aid to around 1,000 individuals worst affected by the devastation.

A campaign of bombing and artillery attacks by the military against Christian-majority areas in parts of Myanmar has led to thousands being forced from their homes and land. Our partners in Myanmar have crossed unforgiving terrain to reach the displaced with essential supplies, including sleeping mats and blankets, medicine and food parcels.




Your gift of:

£3.20 (\$4; €3.60)
could provide a roofing sheet for a Christian family made homeless in Nigeria

£15 (\$18; €16)
could provide two weeks of food for a Pakistani Christian family whose lives have been disrupted by anti-Christian violence

£20 (\$24; €22)
could provide a family food parcel for displaced Christians in Myanmar containing rice, noodles, canned fish, vegetables, cooking oil



Barnabas-funded exercise books and pencils are distributed among families displaced by anti-Christian violence in Nigeria

Project Reference:
00-345 Victims of violence fund



Pastors and evangelists

A Barnabas-supported pastor baptises a believer in a remote mountain village in Vietnam



“Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers.” – Ephesians 4:11

The gifts and prayers of Barnabas donors support pastors and evangelists in their mission to grow God’s Church in places of persecution and oppression around the world.

Suffering Christians are strengthened in their love and faith for Jesus, and new converts are taught and disciplined in the ways of the Lord.

Barnabas supports 40 church planters on Java, Indonesia’s most populous island. Extremists

among the Muslim-majority population, as well as followers of traditional religious practices, often stir up hostility towards marginalised Christian converts and pastors.

In Vietnam Barnabas supports a Bibles team of six who visit persecuted ethnic Hmong Christians in around 60 isolated mountain villages. The team, which is headed by a pastor, helps believers to stand firm in their faith with Bible teaching and prayer, and disciples church leaders.

£4.50 (\$5.50; €5) could pay one month’s phone bill for a pastor in Java, to help them provide spiritual counsel to believers

£30 (\$36; €33) could support an evangelist sharing the Gospel with those who need it

£90 (\$108; €99) could pay for one month’s fuel for a Vietnamese pastor’s motorbike to enable him to visit remote mountain villages



Bibles and scriptures

"I am the happiest woman in the world," declares "Mima", on receiving her Bible after a wait of 49 years



"All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal."
– Psalm 119:160

"After 49 years of praying, God has amazingly answered my prayers. Praise the Lord!" exclaimed "Mima", a 64-year-old Karen Christian living in a remote village in Myanmar on receiving the precious gift of a Bible for the very first time.

"Reading the words of God is my favourite thing in life," she added.

Thanks to supporters' generosity, Barnabas has funded the transportation of 94,000 Bibles to Christians in Myanmar, who continue to endure violent

persecution from the country's military. Many recipients had prayed for decades for their own copy of the Bible.

Barnabas has also funded 100 Bibles in Kiswahili for a church on the Tanzanian archipelago of Zanzibar.

These will bless churchgoers and help train new pastors in a region where Christians are a tiny and persecuted minority, and few believers or even church leaders have a Bible to call their own.

£5 (\$6.50; €6) could provide a Bible to encourage and strengthen the faith of a Christian living under pressure and persecution

£10 (\$13; €12) could pay the transport costs for a box of 40 Bibles to Myanmar

£50 (\$65; €60) could pay the transport costs for 200 Bibles to Myanmar



Converts

Barnabas supports Ugandan ministries that provide converts with shelter, discipleship training, trauma counselling and vocational training, including this soap-making initiative



“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!” – 2 Corinthians 5:17

Converts to Christianity from other religions are often rejected by their families, former friends and communities. They may face ongoing hostility and even violence.

“Marat”, a Kyrgyz Christian convert from Islam, was told by his then best friend, “If I had a gun, I would be the first to shoot you because you believe in Jesus Christ.”

Barnabas provided food parcels for 150 impoverished convert

families (about 700 individuals) including Marat and his family living in a remote mountainous region of Kyrgyzstan. The parcels sustained them for three months.

Barnabas has funded vocational training in soap-making for 20 converts in Uganda. Whilst Uganda is 80% Christian, converts are often dismissed from Muslim-owned businesses. The training enables the new believers to get jobs in a church-owned soap-making facility.

£20 (\$24; €22) could provide vocational training for one Ugandan convert for up to three months

£22 (\$26; €24) could pay for a food parcel for a convert family for a month in Central Asia

£140 (\$170; €155) could provide enough coal for a Christian convert family in Kyrgyzstan to keep them warm in the winter

Yes, I would like to give a gift of love and hope to suffering Christians

You can either set up a regular donation, or make a single donation. You can give to the General Fund or to one or more of the projects whose reference numbers are listed throughout this booklet.

Simply fill out your **contact details** and then fill out the section for either **card donations** and **single gifts** (page ii) or

Direct Debit donations (page iii). If you are a UK taxpayer, please complete the **Gift Aid Declaration** below to enable us to reclaim tax on all your donations at no extra cost to you.

If you would like us to send you a **gift card(s)** following your donation, please also complete the section on page iv with details of the wording required.

Title	Full Name	Barnabas Aid will not give your address, telephone number or email to anyone else. Please remember to complete the Gift Aid form if applicable.
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Phone		
Email		

Please use my gift for: (Mark your preference)*

General Fund Other (reference number of project)

I do not require an acknowledgement of this gift

Gift Aid Declaration (Applicable to UK taxpayers only)

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. **Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer. Please fill this in here if different from the details on this form.**

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must mark the box below:

I want to Gift Aid this donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past to **Barnabas Aid**. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Title	Full Name
Full Home Address	
	Postcode

Please notify Barnabas Aid if your circumstances change. If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

Please complete your details and return this whole form to Barnabas Aid UK office at: Unit 23, Ash Industrial Estate, Kembrey Park, Swindon SN2 8UN



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Credit or debit card gift of:

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Start Date / /

Please debit my: Credit/Debit card

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Text Donations

For a quick donation of £5.00 by SMS text **AID** to **70660** (Please note: This facility is presently only available to UK supporters). Texts cost £5.00 plus network charge. Please obtain billpayer's permission. Customer care **01793 744557**. For full terms and conditions please visit **barnabasaid.org/terms-and-conditions**



Single gifts

I enclose a cheque/voucher payable to "Barnabas Aid"

I have made an internet transfer/bank deposit of:

to the Barnabas Aid bank account on:

/ / (date)

(Sort Code: **20-26-53**, Account Number: **50133299**). **Your bank reference:** Please quote your Barnabas Aid reference number or your postcode and house number. If you prefer not to receive an acknowledgement please add letters **DNA** to the reference.



Contact

You can also make a donation by Direct Debit, credit or debit card by phoning **0800 587 4006** (+44 1793 744557 from outside the UK) or by visiting our website at **barnabasaid.org/donate**



You can also scan this code with your smart device



Physical donations



Through Barnabas Aid's .gives projects you can send food and medical items directly to Christians in need around the world. To find out how you can get involved, go to **www.barnabas.gives** or contact our UK office (contact details on back cover).

*If the project is sufficiently funded, we reserve the right to use designated gifts either for another project of a similar type or for another project in the same country.



Direct Debit

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I would like to give regularly by Direct Debit

£

(please write amount in words)

Please start on 1st 3rd 7th 11th 15th 21st 28th of
Month: and then every month quarter year
until further notice.

This Direct Debit is a new one in addition to my existing regular gift(s) to replace an earlier Standing Order/Direct Debit in favour of Barnabas Aid.



DIRECT Debit Service user number 253645

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Please fill in the whole form and send it to: Barnabas Aid, Unit 23, Ash Industrial Estate, Kembrey Park, Swindon, SN2 8UN.

Name and full postal address of your bank or building society

To: The Manager/ Bank/building society	
Address	
	Postcode
Name(s) of Account Holder(s)	
Bank/Building Society account number	
Branch Sort Code	

Instruction to your bank or building society

Please pay Barnabas Aid Direct Debits from the account detailed in this Instruction subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this Instruction may remain with Barnabas Aid and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Signature

Date / /

Reference (Barnabas Aid to complete)

The Direct Debit Guarantee This Guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits. If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit, Barnabas Aid will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request Barnabas Aid to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request. If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit by Barnabas Aid or your bank or building society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society. If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when Barnabas Aid asks you to. You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify us.



Alternative gift cards

If you choose to support a Barnabas Aid project as an alternative gift for a friend or relative, we can supply you with an attractive gift card, which you can send to the person on whose behalf you have made the donation.

Please fill in the details below and please complete your name and address on page i.

Please write clearly.

"Dear

A gift of £

has been received on your behalf from

This gift will assist Christians who are persecuted for their faith. With many thanks on behalf of the persecuted Church"

Please state your preferred card choice (see below): A B C

Tick here if you **do** want the amount to be stated on the card

Tick here if you **do** wish details about the project to be included on the card



If you would like more cards, please photocopy this page or attach a separate piece of paper with the details for the extra cards and send it with your donation. You can also call your national Barnabas Aid office with the details and pay by credit card over the phone.

If you would like to have the card sent directly to the recipient, or if you would prefer to receive blank cards and fill them out yourself, please contact your national office (contact details on back cover).

Legacy

For information about how to leave a gift to Barnabas Aid through your will, please mark this box, fill in your details on this form and return the form to the UK office, or contact the UK office.

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Poverty relief

An Iraqi Christian man receives a Barnabas-funded food parcel



“Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD.” – Proverbs 19:17

Many Christians live in poverty, often as a result of discrimination and marginalisation because of their love for Christ.

Large numbers of Iraqi Christians remain displaced in Iraqi Kurdistan, to which they fled in 2014 to escape Islamic State (IS, ISIS, ISIL, Daesh). Many of them are impoverished, having left behind all they owned in their historic homelands.

“Sometimes we have to borrow money to cover our rent and food. This month we won’t

need to,” said one believer after Barnabas provided food parcels for more than 2,000 poor Iraqi Christian families.

In Pakistan, Barnabas has freed 2,023 Christian brick kiln families from the yoke of bonded labour. During times of family crisis (for example, a medical emergency) underpaid brick kiln labourers are forced to borrow from their employers, which leaves them trapped in debt. Your donations have paid their debts and given them hope of a better future.

£8 (\$9.50; €9) could buy 20kg of unmilled rice from Christian farmers in South-East Asia to mill and give to needy Christians

£20 (\$24; €22) could provide a poor Christian family in Iraqi Kurdistan with a food parcel for one month

£468 (\$562; €515) could pay in full a debt binding a Pakistani Christian family to a brick kiln

Project References: 20-227 Iraqi Christians – General Fund

41-331 Freeing bonded Pakistani brick kiln workers | PR1755 – Rice milling in South-East Asia



Disaster relief

“The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.” – Psalm 34:17

“When the relief material from our Christian brothers and sisters arrived, it was like a miracle.”

These are the words of Samana, a young mother in Nepal whose home was destroyed in a 5.6 magnitude earthquake, which left thousands homeless. More than 150 were killed.

Barnabas-funded food parcels containing rice, pulses and cooking oil, were distributed to 680 Christian families afflicted by the disaster. We also provided blankets to 380 households and warm clothes for 177 children.

In May 2024 record floods in Brazil killed more than 170 people and displaced half a million. Many of these were our Christian brothers and sisters.

Barnabas provided aid including food, cleaning

kits, clothes, furniture and household appliances. These provided relief in the immediate aftermath of the flooding, and helped our Christian family rebuild.

Mudslides caused by flash flooding in Kenya claimed many lives, as well as destroying homes and crops. Our Kenyan brothers and sisters, who have struggled with food insecurity for many years, were left without both food and shelter.

We provided emergency assistance of maize flour, cooking oil, beans and soap to 1,000 households in impoverished areas of the country.

Please consider giving to the disaster relief fund, so that we can continue to support believers around the world in times of crisis.


Your gift of:

£6.50 (\$7.80; €7.15) could provide warm clothes and blankets to a Christian family in Nepal

£15 (\$18; €16.50) could provide a food package containing mealie meal, corn soya blend and cooking oil to feed a Ugandan family of five for a month

£30 (\$36; €33) could provide enough maize flour to feed a Kenyan family of seven for six weeks

£45 (\$54; €49.50) could provide a single bed for a Christian in Brazil whose home has been destroyed by flooding

A photograph showing a woman and a young child sitting in front of a makeshift shelter made of white fabric. The woman is wearing a dark jacket and red pants, and the child is wearing a light-colored shirt. They are both looking towards a fire burning in a metal pot on the ground. The fire is bright yellow and orange. The background shows a hilly landscape with some buildings and trees.

A mother and child from Nepal warm themselves in front of their makeshift shelter, after their house was destroyed by the earthquake

Project Reference:
00-634 Disaster Relief Fund



Small businesses

“You will eat the fruit of your labour; blessings and prosperity will be yours.” – Psalm 128:2

Christians often struggle to find work in countries where they are a despised and persecuted minority. Any jobs they get are largely low income, low status tasks. Barnabas invests in hope by funding start-up costs for a range of small businesses that enable believers to become financially self-sufficient.

“This project has strengthened my faith in God’s plan for me. I have felt His presence in every step,” said “Dina”, an impoverished Christian widow in Egypt, who struggled to support her family following the death of her husband.

Barnabas helped Dina to set up a small grocery shop, enabling her to earn a living and meet the needs of her family. “It’s not just about selling groceries,” she added. “It’s about witnessing His grace in action.”

Dina is among hundreds of marginalised Egyptian Christian women (mostly widows) and

young men whom Barnabas has helped to escape poverty by providing funding for them to start small businesses including sewing or upholstery enterprises, digital printing ventures and in transport services.

In South-East Asia Barnabas helps to fund a number of income-generating initiatives in Laos and Vietnam where the minority Christian populations face hostility and harassment, particularly in rural areas.

We help impoverished believers start small mushroom, fish or pig farming ventures that provide families with an income and food security.

Training in sewing, hair and beauty, motorcycle maintenance or computer skills opens new opportunities for young people in these countries. This encourages them to remain in their villages rather than move away to seek work, thereby strengthening their church fellowships.

Your gift of:

£20 (\$24; €22)
could buy a 20kg sack of rice to sell at a grocery shop in Egypt

£22 (\$26; €24)
could buy 500 fish hatchlings for a fish farmer in a South-East Asian country

£34 (\$41; €37)
could buy 100 mushroom-growing bags for a mushroom farmer in a South-East Asian country

£81 (\$97; €89)
could buy nine rolls of upholstery fabric in Egypt

Project References:
11-226 Small business start-ups in Egypt
XX-1174 Income generation, Bible training, food aid and other ministries in South-East Asia

Barnabas funding enables impoverished Christians in South-East Asia to make a living farming oyster mushrooms



Christian schools for Christian children

“All your children will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their peace.”

– Isaiah 54:13

“I love my teachers so much and, when I come to school, I feel I am coming to my second home.” These are the words of Musa, a pupil in a Barnabas-funded Christian school for Sudanese Christian refugees in Egypt.

The parents of the school’s 369 pupils fled persecution and conflict in Sudan. They cannot afford to pay ordinary school fees for their children and are grateful that, thanks to Barnabas Aid, their children have the opportunity to learn to read and write.

As well as providing a nurturing Christian environment for the children to learn in, the school also provides jobs for adult Sudanese Christian refugees: it employs 27 teachers and seven other school staff. This allows refugees to earn a living and pay their bills as they set up their new lives in Egypt.

In Christian-minority contexts, Christian pupils may endure persecution and discrimination for their faith from other students and staff. In some cases they are even pressured to convert to the majority religion.

Barnabas-funded schools enable young believers from needy and vulnerable families to learn in a caring Christian environment. This not only strengthens them in their faith, but also empowers them to escape the cycle of poverty and destitution by gaining valuable skills and qualifications.

“I am thankful to God,” says 11-year-old Horab, a pupil at a Barnabas-funded school in Pakistan who hopes to become a doctor. “I am happy it is a Christian school where I can get a proper Christian education.”



Your gift of:

£9 (\$11; €10)
is a typical cost to support a Pakistani Christian child in school for a month

£28 (\$34; €31)
could pay the monthly salary of a Christian teacher in a Barnabas-supported Christian school in Pakistan

£32 (\$38; €35)
could pay the monthly salary of a Christian Sudanese refugee teacher in Cairo

£52 (\$62; €57)
could cover a year's schooling for one refugee Sudanese Christian child in Egypt

Some of the students and staff of the Christian school in Egypt for Sudanese refugees

Project Reference:
00-794 Christian Schooling for Christian Children

Opportunity Africa

Helping our suffering Christian family in Africa

"Nobody ever asked me what I can do ... except Barnabas Aid." These words from Dalyop, a young Nigerian, demonstrate the importance of Barnabas Aid's new Opportunity Africa initiative.

Dalyop lost both his parents to anti-Christian violence at a young age. "I had lost hope and didn't know what to make of my life," he said. "I have been jobless for years." Now Dalyop is one of thousands in Nigeria studying digital content creation, a course that is funded by Barnabas.

The Church in Africa is growing. At the same time the challenges that face African Christians are also growing – including poverty, violence and terrorism, displacement, extreme weather and natural disasters.

With God's help and yours, Barnabas Aid is partnering with African Christian communities

to help them become more resilient, self-sufficient and independent. We are calling this Opportunity Africa. The aim of Opportunity Africa is to transform these communities in Africa through sustainability and human capacity development.

"We know that African Christians have the capacity, skills, determination, and resilience to turn their tragedies into opportunities and lamentations into praises," says Barnabas Aid's Africa Coordinator.

As well as vocational training, we are giving practical support to farmers, providing medical backpacks and training volunteers in how to use them, purchasing sewing and corn-grinding machines, funding schools for displaced Christian children, building homes – and this, God willing, is only the beginning.



Opportunity Africa consists of 12 strands:



Food: innovative, long-term approaches to feeding



Education: schools and vocational training



Bible training and spiritual development



Human capacity development



Agriculture



Digital connectivity



Energy



Water



Houses, churches, and other community buildings



Healthcare, medical needs and disabilities



Economic empowerment, including for groups and churches



Christian refugees and IDPs (internally displaced persons)

Opportunity Africa is your chance to strengthen and sustain suffering Christian communities in Africa. Scan the QR code or visit barnabasaid.org/opportunity-africa for more information



Project reference: PR1700 Opportunity Africa

Living Streams

Commit to a monthly gift through Barnabas Aid's Living Streams project to sustain and strengthen suffering Christians.



"There are many examples of pastors who are able to stay on and hold on in an utterly hostile environment because of the sponsorships," explained a Barnabas project partner in Indonesia.

Barnabas supports 40 pastors and church planters who are labouring to build and support the Lord's Church in Indonesia despite poverty and threats from extremists (see p.10).

Support for pastors and evangelists is one of the ways Barnabas is helping Christians

through our Living Streams programme. Your monthly gift could be used to feed hungry believers, fund Christian schools for Christian children, or provide Bibles to brothers and sisters in need of spiritual encouragement.

We will also provide a twice-yearly newsletter for regular donors.

We invite you to join our mission of providing hope and aid. Your pledge will help sustain, support and strengthen needy Christians living under pressure and persecution.

£5 (\$6; €5.50) per month* could provide a Bible to encourage and strengthen the faith of a Christian living under pressure and persecution

£18 (\$22; €20) per month* could sponsor a child living in poverty so that they could attend a Christian school and grow in body, mind and spirit

£20 (\$24; €22) per month* could provide a regular food parcel to sustain a hungry Christian family

£30 (\$36; €33) per month* could support a pastor or evangelist sharing the Gospel with those who need it

*Suggested amounts are based on typical costs. But you will receive twice-yearly newsletters if you can give any amount regularly to these needs.

Project Refs: 00-362 Bibles and scriptures fund | 00-514 School-place sponsorship fund | PR1500 Family feeding sponsorship fund | 00-477 Pastor support fund | 00-478 Evangelist support fund

Leaving a blessing for your Christian family

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” – Galatians 6:10

After you have taken care of your loved ones in your will, could you consider widening your care to those who belong to your extended family – that is, your Christian brothers and sisters worldwide?

Gifts left in wills (known as legacies) can help to meet the needs of suffering and persecuted Christians around the world.

Your generous gift can:

- **feed** Christians facing hunger and deprivation, disadvantaged for belonging to the family of God;
- **help** believers who have suffered violence for their faith;
- **give** shelter to displaced Christian families fleeing persecution in their homeland;
- **support** an evangelist or pastor facing daily danger in their ministry in regions where Christians are a persecuted minority;
- **strengthen** Christian brothers and sisters with Bibles in their own language;
- **train** young children up in their faith through Christian schooling.

Please remember your Christian family when you come to plan for your future.

If you would like more information about how to leave a gift to Barnabas Aid through your will, you can email info@barnabasaid.org or phone **01793 744557**

Alternatively, fill in the form in the centre of this booklet and send it to: **Barnabas Aid, Unit 23, Ash Industrial Estate, Kembrey Park, Swindon SN2 8UN, UK**

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