

WISE GIFTS FOR GOD'S WORLD



An Alternative Christmas Gifts Market
At Westminster Presbyterian Church

3819 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71913
www.wpchotsprings.com

Welcome to the Westminster Presbyterian Church Wise Gifts Market Catalog!

Each year, many of us find ourselves asking, “Is this what Christmas is really all about?” After all, who enjoys battling the holiday crowds on the streets, in the malls, or the post office only to realize that many of the gifts purchased are for loved ones who already have too much “stuff”? There are also those on our list from work, neighborhoods, or schools that we don’t know well enough to choose a meaningful gift for. Yet there they are... on our lists. When the holidays are over, can we honestly say our gift really made a difference in the lives of those we gifted? This Christmas you *can* make a difference, not only in the life of the ones on your list but also in the life of those you didn’t know you could help.

This catalog offers an alternative for people seeking to put the true meaning of Christmas back into their holiday. On the following pages you will find meaningful gifts for your family, friends, and neighbors. These gifts will reach many more people than just those on your list. The idea is this: give to someone in need and give the gift in the name of those who are dearest to you. In this way your gift will inspire hope, love, and generosity in families around the world. And we, at Westminster Presbyterian, believe this way of giving represents a more joyous celebration of Christ’s birth. Likewise, by simplifying your shopping task, it is our hope you will have more time to enjoy the people and activities important to you.

You are invited to visit the Alternative Giving booth to purchase your **WISE GIFTS** on Sunday November 20 after service and December 4 after service and at the Advent Celebration.

If you can’t make it to Church on these Sundays, complete the order form, and mail or drop it off at Westminster Presbyterian Church (3819 Central Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71913). Include one check for all your gifts.

We will do the rest!

You may contact the *Alternative Giving Committee* at the numbers below:

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May you have a Blessed Holiday Season !!!

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Understandably not all missions could be included in this catalog; however, if you are aware of a mission we should include for next year, please let us know. The following missions were thoughtfully chosen by the Westminster Presbyterian Alternative Giving Committee.

LOCAL MISSIONS

HUNGER RELIEF

Eleanor Klugh Jackson House for Crisis Intervention – Jackson House provides food for the needy and short term emergency assistance for basic needs. Jackson House was started by a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and we have supported them with canned foods and contributions for many years.

Jackson House, 705 Malvern, Hot Springs, AR 71901
Tel: 623.4048

Master's Table – Master's Table provides lunch every Saturday for those in need in the downtown area of Hot Springs. Many youth and adults have learned about service to God's people by helping to serve these meals. Master's Table also accepts clothing donations for distribution to those who need it.

Master's Table, 631 Park, Hot Springs, AR 71901
Tel: 321.2003

Mid America Foods – This ministry has replaced Angel Food Ministries in providing reasonably priced food for those in need. Individuals can purchase a Family Meal Box for \$29, Suppertime Premium Entrees for \$24, or a Holiday Meal Box for \$30. Other options are available on the order form at the office. Your contribution can be used to provide for individuals who cannot pay this amount.

Mid America Foods, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3819 Central Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71913
Tel: 525.1367

LOCAL MISSIONS

HOUSING, HEALTH, AND CARE

Habitat for Humanity – Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, ecumenical, Christian housing ministry that works in partnership with people in need of decent shelter to build simple, decent, affordable homes. Members of Westminster Presbyterian have financed and built two houses.
Garland County Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 171, Hot Springs, AR 71902

Samaritan Ministries of Hot Springs – The mission of Samaritan Ministries is to serve homeless men with the love and compassion of Christ, encouraging them to become self-supporting members of the community, providing for their immediate and long-term needs and encouraging them to overcome the cause of homelessness in their life.
Since late 2007, Samaritan Ministries of Hot Springs, Inc. has been making a difference in the lives of approximately 900 different homeless men of the Hot Springs community.

Samaritan Ministries of Hot Springs, Inc., P.O. Box 22674, Hot Springs, AR 71903-2674
Tel: 501.767.3640

Potter's Clay Ministries, Inc. – Potter's Clay Ministries was founded in 1984 as an outreach to women in crisis. It has expanded to house the children that are involved in many of these situations. Their purpose is to provide food, shelter, and clothing to those who come to them as well as to meet their spiritual needs.

The Potter's Clay Ministries, Inc., 110 Crescent, Hot Springs, AR 71901
Tel: 501.624.1366

Safe Haven Shelter for Women and Children – This is a new organization dedicated to meeting the basic human needs of food and shelter for homeless women and children in Hot Springs and Garland County. A donor has gifted a vacant nursing home to them, but it needs substantial renovation. They are involved in a capital campaign "1000 Women of Hope", asking that women of the community donate \$100 each, or other donors contribute in honor of their wives, mothers, daughters, or sisters.

Safe Haven Shelter for Women and Children P.O. Box 20333 Hot Springs, AR 71903
Tel: 501.276.7750

Charitable Christian Medical Clinic – This clinic is operated by local doctors and volunteers to provide caring medical service for those who cannot otherwise afford medical care.

Charitable Christian Medical Clinic, 133 Arbor, Hot Springs, AR 71901
Tel: 501.623.8850

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) – CASA recruits and trains qualified, caring adults to speak out in court for abused and neglected children, with a view toward moving every child in foster care to a safe, permanent home.

Garland County CASA, 508 Ouachita Ave Hot Springs, AR 71901
501.321.9269

Youth Enhancement Services (YES) - Youth Enhancement Services is a community-based, volunteer driven non-profit designed to develop and enhance the lives of young boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 15. YES focuses on the areas of self-esteem and the child's spiritual walk with Christ. Through a series of activities, they are provided Christian teaching in conjunction with recreational activities and mentorship. Children are recommended to the program via school leaders, churches, juvenile court, and other concerned adults. Contributions assist in the financial costs directly associated with the youth participation in a seven week program.

Costs include food, travel expenses, and activity fees during their program.
Youth Enhancement Service, 1237 Blacksnake Road, Hot Springs, AR 71913
Phone: John Hildreth 501.802.0010

ARKANSAS MISSIONS

Arkansas Rice Depot – The Rice Depot distributes over 8 million pounds of food and supplies a year. At the end of 2010, the Rice Depot had fed over 15% of the entire population of the state. With a small staff, more than 98% of its budget is spent on purchasing and distributing food to people living in poverty. Arkansas Rice Depot serves 900 hunger relief programs in the state. The Arkansas Rice Depot, 3801 W. 65th Street, Little Rock, AR 72209
Tel: 501.565.8855

Arkansas Children's Hospital – ACH is the only pediatric medical center in Arkansas and one of the largest in the United States serving kids from birth to age 21. Their pediatric health care facility has an internationally renowned reputation. Arkansas Children's Hospital provides innovative care for patients and families in the fields of childhood cancer, pediatric cardiology, neonatology, pediatric orthopedics, vascular anomalies and more. Arkansas Children's Hospital Foundation, 800 Marshall Street, Slot 661, Little Rock, AR 72202
Tel: 800.880.7491

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS

Village of Westminster – V.O.W. is an after school mission program at Westminster that serves children who need time and attention and who might otherwise fall through the cracks of the educational system. They receive help with their schoolwork and a caring environment in which to grow. Special contributions to V.O.W help support the staff and other expenses for this program.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3819 Central Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71913
Tel: 525.1367

Westminster Presbyterian Church Scholarship Fund – Westminster's Scholarship Fund provides scholarships for young members attending college or other higher education institutions. Applications are accepted each spring and scholarships are awarded in the summer.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3819 Central Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71913
Tel: 525.1367

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance – “Out of Chaos, Hope” is the motto of PDA. This organization enables congregations to witness to the healing love of Christ by caring for communities affected by crises and catastrophic events. Gifts to PDA help provide for basic humanitarian needs such as food, water, medicine, shelter, and other critical supplies. While we are most familiar with their support in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and more recent tornadoes and flooding, they work around the world. Gifts can be designated to specific projects.

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) P.O.Box 643700 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Ferncliff Camp – Ferncliff offers a creative array of summer camps for young people and a conference center with meeting space for groups of up to 60 adults. Ferncliff has contributed to the growth in Christ of many of the children who have attended camps or worked there as summer counselors. Donations can be made to Ferncliff or a contribution directly to Westminster can provide a scholarship for one of our children to attend camp.

Ferncliff Camp and Conference Center, 1720 Ferncliff Road, Little Rock, AR 72223-9404

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS continued

Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Home for Children - Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Home accomplishes its mission by offering a wide range of services to children, youth and families, including: Youth Residential Care; Emergency Shelters for boys and girls; Respite care (to give parents or foster parents a short break from caring for children who have emotional or physical problems); and Therapeutic Group Homes for youth transitioning from the youth detention center.

Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Home Administrative Office, 1501 N. University, Suite 345, Little Rock, AR 72207

Tel: (501) 666-8195

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Heifer International – Heifer International works in the areas of livestock and agriculture to develop programs that alleviate hunger and poverty. Since 1944, Heifer has worked to bring help, healing, and hope to millions of impoverished families worldwide. In areas where hunger and despair once prevailed, Heifer programs have reinvigorated communities through livestock, training, and “passing on the gift” to others as donated livestock reproduce.

Heifer Project International, 1 World Avenue, Little Rock, AR/USA 72202

Tel.: (800) 422.0474

Presbyterian Women Networkers – Malaria is the leading cause of death among children under five in Africa, and a major health threat to pregnant women. Networker is a malaria prevention program established by Presbyterian Women. The International Health Ministries office of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Presbyterian Women partner to provide mosquito nets and health education to families who are most susceptible to the disease.

From Individuals: PC(USA) Individual Remittance Processing, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264

From churches: PC(USA) Church Remittance Processing, P.O. Box 643678, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3678

Living Waters for the World – Believing Jesus Christ to be the water for our bodies and souls, Living Waters is helping people of the world who are striving to obtain pure drinking water. Living Waters for the World provides purification systems for people in all parts of the world, partnering with churches and community organizations to install, operate, and maintain these systems.

Living Waters for the World, 5016 Spedale Court #399, Spring Hill, TN 37174

Tel: 615.261.4008

Haiti Education Foundation – This foundation provides scholarships for children in Haiti who otherwise would not be able to attend school.

These children are intelligent and eager to learn, but they live wrapped in poverty. Schools and educational supplies are luxuries beyond their reach, unless caring people act. You can help a Haitian girl or boy read, write, master a trade, and study God's Word. Your gift will purchase hope for a child, a family, a school, a village. Tuition for one child for a year is \$55. For \$5, they can have a textbook, for \$10, shoes or milk for a year.

Haiti Education Foundation, PO Box 10775, El Dorado, AR 71730

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2011 ORDER FORM**

FROM _____
Address _____

Mail with Check to:
Westminster Presbyterian Church
3819 Central Ave.
Hot Springs, AR 71913

GIFT FOR (Print Name and Address Clearly)	CHARITY	GIFT AMOUNT

TOTAL \$ _____