

Gifts That Transform Our World

Give a World of Hope



Simplify your holiday shopping
And support local and global missions.

Buy meaningful gifts in honor of your family and friends.

2009 Gifts Catalog

How Your Gifts Transform Our World

For three years your support of Gifts That Transform Our World has benefitted Wesley Memorial's local and global missions.

You've bought: **14 donkeys** to help carry the load for Kenyan women, **34 goats** to build life-sustaining herds for Kenyan families, **47 prayer shawls** for which you purchased the yarn, food and shelter for **109 homeless women** at Leslie's House, **116 months** of diabetes medication for patients at the Community Clinic of High Point, **540 baby chicks** for Nakuru women to raise as a source of food and income, vitamins for **900 Kenyan children** for a month, malaria and typhoid medication and lab work for **1,620 Kenyan children** through the Wesley Memorial Clinic in Ndoleli, **\$2,535 for the Sandwich Ministry** at Open Door Ministry, and treatment and preventive care for **40,953 Kenyan children** with intestinal parasites.

All told, you've "bought" **\$88,657** in gifts that have benefitted local and global missions at Wesley Memorial. Gifts That Transform Our World is sponsored by the Eighth Day Unity Group at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church and supports global and local mission projects in which Wesley Memorial members are actively involved.

How This Shopping Works

Use this catalog just as you would any other gift catalog that comes through the mail. Browse through it and select "gifts" for your family and friends. If your budget is \$50 per person, why not give your sister a \$50 gift for the emergency surgery fund for Kenyan children? What in the world should you buy your father-in-law this year? Please, not another tie! For about the same price, you could purchase a school uniform for a child whose family is being assisted by the Interfaith Hospitality Network.

Select gifts you want to "buy," complete the simple form, write a check (or pay cash), and we supply you with a card and a description of the gift to share with your loved one. Sign the card and your shopping is done!

If you are a WMUMC member, your gift will be acknowledged on your statement from the church. If you are not a member, you will receive a card to use for tax purposes.

Our administrative costs are underwritten so 100% of your "purchase" goes directly to the mission designated - and you've given a gift that can truly help transform our world.

Eighth Day Unity Group

All gifts are tax deductible.

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2009 Wesley MarketPlace Shopping Times & Locations

You may purchase *Gifts That Transform Our World* at Wesley MarketPlace. This special MarketPlace will open Sunday, Nov. 15 and will be open the following times throughout the holiday shopping season.

Wesley MarketPlace **Sunday Markets**

Sunday, Nov. 15	Sunday, Dec. 6
Sunday, Nov. 22	Sunday, Dec. 13
Sunday, Nov. 29	Sunday, Dec. 20

Hours: 9:30 – 10:15 am	Dining Hall Lobby
9:15 – 9:45 am	Media Center
10:30 - 11 am	Media Center
10:30 - 11 am	Narthex
Noon - 12:15 pm	Narthex

Wednesday Markets

Wednesday, Nov. 18
 Wednesday, Dec. 2
 Wednesday, Dec. 9
 Wednesday, Dec. 16
 Wednesday, Dec. 23

Hours: 10 am – 1 pm Administrative Lobby

Gift Descriptions - Local Missions

Community Clinic of High Point

1. Diabetes medication

Gift Price: \$50

Many of the patients who seek care at the Community Clinic of High Point are diabetics and cannot afford the basic medication to manage their disease. A gift of \$50 will provide a month's worth of much needed diabetes medication.

2. Blood pressure medication

Gift Price: \$25

When funds are tight, medication is often one of the first "luxuries" to go. Affordability is one of the primary reasons indigent patients don't follow their medication instructions. Your gift of \$25 will purchase a month's supply of blood pressure medicine, another one of the Community Clinic's most needed medications.

Ministering to the Bereaved

3. Care box for bereaved families

Gift Price: \$10

Help meet the practical needs of a family after a loved one's death. These boxes include the items needed for family and guests that visit during bereavement: disposable paper plates, utensils, napkins and cups, paper towels, foil, cling wrap and trash bags. The box also includes tissues, a note pad and pencil.

Fairview School Mentoring

4. Field trip scholarship

Gift Price: \$15

Field trips are a highlight of every student's school year, and teachers try to plan field trips that cost little or nothing. However, some of the bigger trips such as those to our state capital and even our nation's capital do cost extra—and that's money that many parents of Fairview Elementary School students do not have. Your gift will assure that no child is left behind when it comes time to take that special trip.

Interfaith Hospitality Network

5. Bus pass for job hunting

Gift Price: \$10

The Interfaith Hospitality Network tries to help resolve the situations that have led a family to homelessness, and one of the biggest issues is finding a job. No agency provides funding for transportation as a mom or dad go out to look for work or even report to job interviews. A gift of \$10 will buy a bus pass and ensure that a person has a fair chance to find employment.

6. Child care while parents job hunt

Gift Price: \$15

Ensure child care while Interfaith Hospitality Network parents look for work or even begin a job. It takes time for families to complete the paperwork required to receive child care assistance. Your gift will help bridge that gap and make sure that the children are well cared for.

Gift Descriptions, Local Missions con't.

Interfaith Hospitality Network

7. Backpack and school supplies for a child **Gift Price: \$5**

A backpack is important so that a child coming into a new school will not feel different. It's also essential so the child can carry all his or her books and papers "home" (in these cases, the host church). Your gift will help a child get a backpack and the school supplies he or she needs.

8. School uniform for a child **Gift Price \$25**

Most families come into the Interfaith Hospitality Network with only the clothes they can carry. And as you may imagine, these families have no extra money to buy the school uniforms that are required in Guilford County. Your gift will make sure one of these children has proper school clothes.

Minister's Discretionary Fund

9. Emergency fund to assist those who seek help **Gift Price: \$25**

Each week, people in need come to Wesley Memorial's doors needing help with electric bills, rent, fuel for their cars, medicines and food. The Minister's Discretionary Fund assists people who seek emergency financial assistance for the hardships in their lives. Your gift will help us provide short-term financial assistance—and a measure of hope—to someone who turns to Wesley Memorial for help.

Mobile Meals

10. Hot meal for home-bound High Pointer **Gift Price: \$5**

Run completely by volunteers, Mobile Meals delivers hot nutritious meals to 165 people five days a week—people who are not physically or mentally able to prepare their own food. Your gift will make sure that one more meal makes its way to someone in need.

Open Door Ministries

11. Sandwich Ministry lunch ingredients **Gift Price: \$25**

Wesley Memorial furnishes and delivers bagged lunches to 150 or so homeless men, women and children at Open Door Ministry on Centennial Street the fourth Sunday of each month. Each bag contains two sandwiches, chips, fruit, a cookie, napkin, condiments and a drink. Your gift will nourish those who need it most.

12. One bagged lunch **Gift Price: \$5**

For just \$5, you can provide one bagged lunch through Open Door Ministries' Sandwich Ministry. Lunches are provided every Sunday (and Wesley Memorial sponsors one Sunday per month) at Open Door Ministry on Centennial Street.

Gift Descriptions, Local Missions con't.

Ward Street Mission

13. Spiritual nurture programs for youth

Gift Price: \$15

Church camp, retreats and youth leadership academies are all integral to the success of a church's youth ministry. The members of Ward Street Mission don't have the luxury of extra money for these enriching experiences. Your gift will help make God's love real for these growing Christians.

14. Economic independence lifeskills lessons

Gift Price: \$25

Help people in this impoverished neighborhood learn innovative ways to provide income for their families. These workshops will help prepare participants for job hunting and show them how to envision, launch and sustain a small business. Your gift will make the difference between having a dream of financial independence and seeing it realized.

15. Tables & chairs for Saturday night worship

Gift Price: \$20

Ward Street Mission needs chairs and tables for its new Saturday night service. It's a coffee-house style worship experience and has become very popular. In fact, it's expanding to a nearby donated building across from the church. Your gift will enhance this meaningful ministry.

West End Ministries

16. Lodging & food at Leslie's House

Gift Price: \$20

Give one woman shelter, a meal and safe sanctuary for the night at Leslie's House, a shelter for High Point's homeless women. Leslie's House also offers its guests help in planning a pathway away from life on the street.

17. Supplies for Harris House resident

Gift Price: \$10

Harris House is a duplex home recently donated to West End Ministries and it's being used as transitional housing for graduates of Leslie's House. Your gift will purchase household supplies for one woman working her way toward independent living.

18. Food for family for one week

Gift Price: \$30

Supply a family of four a box of food that contains the staples they need to eat for a week. Packaged in conjunction with West End Ministries' Food Pantry, this box can make the difference between being hungry and feeding a local family.

Gift Descriptions, Local Missions con't.

Wesley Memorial Prayer Shawl Ministry

19. Yarn for hand-made projects

Gift Price: \$15

The Prayer Shawl Ministry at Wesley Memorial is now five years old and has hand-made over 1,000 shawls, blankets, lap robes, scarves, caps and sweaters for those in need. These loving symbols of compassion have been given to people throughout High Point and North Carolina, across our nation and even to England and Africa. Your gift of \$15 will buy yarn for one of these comforting pieces.

20. Prayer shawl for Hospice Home patient

Gift Price: \$25

Wesley Memorial's Prayer Shawl Ministry places one of its hand-knit prayer shawls on the bed of each patient at Hospice Home of High Point. To each shawl is pinned a note explaining who sent the shawl and a prayer for the patient's comfort. Your gift of \$25 will buy yarn for one shawl.

21. Afghan for Victory Junction Gang camper

Gift Price: \$25

The Victory Junction Gang Camp, founded by Kyle and Pattie Petty, enriches the lives of children with chronic medical conditions or serious illnesses by providing life-changing camping experiences. Your gift will purchase the yarn into which the Prayer Shawl Ministry will craft an afghan for one of these special campers.

Wesley Memorial Through-the-Week Program

22. Tuition for refugee family child

Gift Price: \$20

The Through-the-Week program has a long history of excellence in preschool education for our children. Recently a scholarship fund was established that enables the children of refugee families to attend this enriching program. Your gift will help pay the tuition for a refugee child who now makes High Point—and America—his home.

Guatemala Mission

23. Clothes & shoes for a young child

Gift Price: \$35

The poverty level of villages in eastern Guatemala is hard to envision. Children run barefoot on gravel and rocks, exposed to injury and parasites. Their clothes are literally worn to shreds, falling off their bodies. Your gift of \$35 will help meet the basic needs of a child by buying clothes and shoes.

24. 10 pounds of corn & beans for a family

Gift Price: \$5

If the crops fail, the residents of these small Guatemalan villages have no income and people go hungry. Your gift of \$5 will buy 10 pounds of corn and beans. Corn to make into tortillas and tamales and black beans to provide protein—and that spells nourishment and hope for these people.

Gift Descriptions, Local Missions con't.

Guatemala Missions

25. Building blocks of faith

Gift Price: \$5

In the town of San Antonia few have had a personal relationship with Christ. Just a few years ago only three people called themselves Christians. Today, 200 people show up for worship service at a church built by missionaries. Your gift of \$5 will purchase two cinder blocks—literally building blocks of faith—for this growing family of Christ to add a parsonage and a building in which congregants can gather for Sunday School.

Kenya Missions

26. Meals for learning

Gift Price: \$10

Imagine preparing meals for Kenyan children in Wesley Memorial's Kitchen and Dining Hall. That's exactly what happens with Meals for Learning! It takes 65 volunteers about two hours to package 12,000 dehydrated meals—meals that will feed lunch to Kenyan school children. Your gift will provide a nutritious meal each day for 40 days.

27. Teaching materials for Maua schools

Gift Price: \$20

Public elementary education in rural Kenya is still being developed. Teaching tools we consider "basics" such as paper, pencils, craft supplies, reference books, maps and posters are luxuries for teachers in Maua. Your gift of \$20 will purchase educational materials for teachers who are eager to instruct and for students who are anxious for an education.

28. ARI School tuition

Gift Price: \$40

The ARI School provides boarding and day school for 300 students from kindergarten to middle school in Maua, many of whom are orphaned and need a place to live as well as learn. This school makes a difference with its students scoring high on the national test given to 8th graders. Your gift of \$40 will provide a month's tuition for one ARI School student.

29. Medicine for Wesley Memorial Clinic patients

Gift Price: \$10

The Wesley Memorial Clinic in Ndoleli is in a rural, poverty-stricken part of Kenya and many people seen at this clinic cannot afford the medication necessary to treat their illnesses. Your gift of \$10 will help provide medication for diseases such as malaria, TB and infections and for routine needs such as newborn care.

30. Kitchen garden kit for AIDS patient

Gift Price: \$50

AIDS patients require the proper vitamins for their medications to be effective. This kit, offered in conjunction with the Maua Methodist Hospital, provides burlap bags filled with good soil and planted with vegetables which AIDS patients can then grow in their backyards. This garden then helps each patient supplement his or her diet with vital nutrients.

Gift Descriptions, Local Missions con't.

Kenya

31. Fish for Food

Gift Price: \$5

A prolonged drought has put millions on the brink of starvation and children are the hardest hit. At the new United Methodist Mission Boarding School in Nakuru for orphans, there is little money to buy protein-rich foods. One of the solutions is simple: build and stock two fish ponds. Your gift of \$5 will provide about 40 fish fingerlings to help stock those ponds and provide an ongoing source of protein.

32. Cancer testing for women

Gift Price: \$20

Because of the relatively high cost, most Kenyan woman do not undergo routine PAP smear testing. Consequently problems are not diagnosed until they are advanced and life-threatening. Your gift of \$20 will provide PAP smear testing and followup care for 20 women at Wesley Mission Clinic.

33. Lunch for Squatters Hill children

Gift Price: \$25

Most of the children who forage at the Squatters Hill slum near Nakuru are orphans, and they are in desperate need of nourishment—for their bodies and their souls. Your gift of \$25 will provide a nutritious lunch of rice and beans to 50 children for one week at Squatters Hill slum.

34. Emergency surgery fund

Gift Price: \$50

Many of the children seen at Wesley Mission Clinic in Nakuru and at the Squatters Hill slum near Nakuru need surgery that must be performed at one of several mission hospitals in Kenya. Mission teams often have to return to the U.S. to raise the money needed for a child's treatment. Your gift of \$50 to an emergency surgery fund will mean that a child does not have to wait months—or even years—for a desperately needed operation.

If you'd like to see how your gifts are indeed transforming the world, please visit www.wesleymemorialMISSIONS.org for updates on these and all of our mission projects.



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