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2026 Christmas Day Offering: Information Sheet



About the offering

Throughout December, in the lead up to Christmas, corps members are asked to give generously to a project overseas, in collaboration with The Salvation Army International Development (SAID).

This year, the Christmas Day Offering will be supporting the Safe Pathways for Children project in Indonesia. You will see internal media, three emails and SMS, as well as videos featuring Territorial Commander Commissioner Miriam Gluyas.

The project

This year's Christmas Day Offering invites us to share the light of Christmas by helping children in Indonesia find their way back to the love, security and belonging of family.

The Safe Pathways for Children project focuses on the transformational care of children. It is part of a shift away from institutional care toward safe, nurturing and empowering family-based care models for children and young people.

Building on past success, the Safe Pathways for Children project is working to help keep families together, including mothers and babies, and reunite children into safe, loving family environments. Because of this project, more children are experiencing the stability, nurture and sense of belonging that every child deserves.

This project is creating lasting change that will extend well beyond childhood by addressing the causes of family separation. Through partnerships with local communities, churches and organisations, The Salvation Army is reflecting God's heart for children for generations to come by restoring dignity, helping families flourish and building resilient communities.

How you can help

Together, we can share the light of Christmas with children in Indonesia. By standing alongside them, your congregation has the opportunity to reflect the love and hope that binds us all – love that is steady, generous and life-giving.

We seek your support of this critical project in the following ways:

- Distribute the supplied envelopes
- Provide an opportunity for soldiers, friends and visitors to your corps or mission expression to give an offering at your Christmas Day (or other Christmas) service
- Promote this special offering in your public worship and via other media platforms (resources, including videos from Commissioner Miriam Gluyas, available in the MySalvos Toolkit)
- Importantly, please make this Christmas Day Offering a matter of prayer

Together, we are shining Jesus' light this Christmas, bringing hope that reaches far beyond the season.

NB: If the project is oversubscribed, funds may be directed to related projects.