

# 2025 CHRISTMAS OFFERING

A SEASON OF TRANSFORMATION

Dear Alive Church Family,

Merry Christmas! What a fantastic time to gather as one family and celebrate the miracle that changed everything—God stepping into history, bringing hope and light through the birth of Jesus. As your pastor, I cherish each story, every handshake, every young person and grandparent, every shared prayer. This season always re-centers me on our mission—our calling from Jesus Himself to Lead people to Him, Train them to follow Him, and Send them out to be leaders for Him. It all began in a manger in Bethlehem, and it continues right here, right now—through you.

When I think back to Christmases in our home, the memories aren't just about gifts under the tree, but about the sense of belonging, hope, and wonder. I want us to extend this wonder beyond our walls—to show the world what it means to be loved by Jesus.

God's love moved Him to give. (John 3:16) Our love moves us to do the same. That's what our annual Christmas Offering is all about—it's not just a tradition, it's a lifeline of transformation. And this year, we have a faith goal to raise and give away \$75,000—more than reaching a number, our hearts beat for the vision of seeing lives forever transformed by the love of Jesus.

I want you to see the faces behind the dollars:

Envision a Christmas morning in Tucson, where a child who might have received nothing this year instead gets a gift, a smile, and a sense of belonging—because you chose to share Jesus' love right here at home.

Picture a child in our own Kids Ministry opening our Kids Life Transformation Bible, lighting up as hands-on activities make God's Word come alive, and setting them on the path to becoming a transformed follower and leader of Jesus for life!

Imagine Joe and Averyl in Panama, Anika and Adriel in Mexico, David and Kadi in Southern Asia—missionaries who depend on us not just for funds, but for family, prayers, and encouragement as they introduce and disciple people to be followers of Jesus.

Your sacrificial gift—no matter the amount—makes all of this possible. I want you to know: your offering might go quietly into an offering box or an online field, but in God's eyes, it echoes into eternity.

So how do we do this together?

- Pray: Ask Jesus how He wants you to be part of this story.
- Plan and Give: Consider, as a family or an individual, what step of faith you'll take. Let generosity be your act of worship.
- Share the Vision: When you tell your story or invite others into this mission, you multiply the impact.

This is Christmas in action: let's fill heaven with names and stories that will greet us with joy on the other side. Let's give because He gave everything—and let's watch as God uses our GENEROSITY to transform eternity.

In Christ,
Pastor Jeff



# SIFE TRANSFORMATION BIBLE KID'S EDITION

There's a profound joy in watching our kids discover the beauty and power of God's Word, which is why the Kids' Life Transformation Bible is so special. Designed with the same transformative discipleship plan as the adult version, it's rewritten to speak directly to young hearts, making faith a shared journey for the entire family. This 52-week adventure includes engaging activities for kids and parents, helping build lasting foundations of faith together.

This Christmas, your support through the offering is more than a donation—it's an investment in a child's spiritual future. We urgently need to print more of these Bibles, and your generosity will make it happen!

## GIFTS OF SOVE

We are committed to making a difference outside the walls in our local community. We have partnered with Hope City Church and GAP Ministries here in Tucson to share the love of Jesus this Christmas with parents who need help to make Christmas happen for their kids.

Gifts of Love is more than buying gifts; it is a way to share the love of Jesus with others. There are 150 individuals who need our help this year.

You can participate by visiting the Gifts of Love table in the lobby of Alive Church. (Nov 22 - Dec 14)









## JESUS TO THE NEEDY JOE AND AVERYL MORRIS

Joe and Averyl Morris are full-time missionaries who serve as Jesus To The Needy (JTTN) in the region surrounding David, Panama. They utilize the Life Transformation Bible to teach and disciple others. Recently, they've ministered in the public school to teachers and children and provided food for the children.

25% of the population of Panama is under the age of 15, and many children are malnourished. With your support, JTTN can provide food packs for families, medical care, transportation costs for Spanish Life Transformation Bibles, and maintenance on their ministry vehicle.





## YOUTH WITH A MISSION ANIKA HOWE

Anika Howe is a full-time missionary with Youth With A Mission (YWAM). This past year, she has led a team of individuals interested in entering the mission field through Discipleship Training School and led them as they traveled to Cambodia and Malaysia, sharing the love of Jesus. She also had the privilege of helping launch a brand new YWAM base in Melbourne, Australia. In 2026, she will return to Mazatlán, Mexico, as she establishes her permanent residency and continues to transform lives for Jesus. When you support the Christmas Offering, you're helping her spread the love of Jesus in Mexico and beyond!







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### ADRIEL BONILLA

Adriel Bonilla is a full-time missionary based in Tucson, Arizona. He ministers through the State of Sonora in Mexico and Spanish-speaking communities in the US. Along with his wife Isabel, Adriel has established relationships with many pastors across multiple communities. His goal is to provide leadership training, discipleship resources, and The Life Transformation Bible to churches and ministries in the US and Mexico. When you support the Christmas Offering, you're aiding his travels to new communities to build up new leaders and followers of Jesus and provide Life Transformation Bibles throughout the US and Mexico.





### DAVID AND KADI KEENER

David and Kadi Keener, along with their three children, are ministering to unreached people in Southern Asia. They are currently working with The Sutradar, an unengaged, unreached people group, meaning there are no known churches among them.

They have begun an education ministry, a sports ministry, and Kadi is passionate about starting a new ministry with the vulnerable children and women susceptible to human trafficking. When you support the Christmas Offering, you are fueling each of their ministries to bring the hope of Jesus to the unreached.





### WAYS TO GIVE

Christmas is a season of generosity, joy, and renewal. As we gather to celebrate the birth of Christ, we're reminded that God's greatest gift changed everything. His love transforms hearts, homes, and communities.

This year, we invite you to be part of that transformation not only around the world, but right here in our community, and even within your own heart. When you give, you're planting seeds of hope that God will use to transform lives forever.

#### OFFERING ENVELOPE

You can donate to the Christmas Offering by filling out the offering envelope, specifying your donation to the Christmas Offering, and then dropping it into any donation box, which are located near the exits of the lobby and auditorium.

### DIGITAL GIVING

To give digitally, you can scan the QR code below or go to alivechurch.com/give.

### \$75,000 FOR TRANSFORMATION

This Christmas season, we have an incredible opportunity to come together as a community and make a lasting difference. Our goal for this year's Christmas Offering is \$75,000—a bold number that reflects our faith in God's provision and our desire to reach those in need of His love. Every dollar given will go directly toward lifechanging initiatives that bring the hope and message of Jesus to those who need it most. Not a single dollar will be used for operational costs like keeping the lights on at Alive Church.

#### HOW CAN YOU BE A PART OF THIS MISSION?

Giving isn't about equal amounts—it's about equal sacrifice. For some, this might mean a gift that stretches your faith. For others, it might mean giving above and beyond as a reflection of God's blessings in your life. No matter the amount, your contribution is an act of obedience and trust that God will multiply for His glory.

#### TAKE ACTION TODAY

Pray about how God is leading you to give. Your commitment, no matter the size, becomes part of something much bigger—a united effort to further Christ's Kingdom this Christmas. Together, as one church, we can celebrate the incredible work God will do through us. Let's join hands, give generously, and transform lives this Christmas. Be part of the story—give today!

All gifts to Alive Church, via the regular tithes and offerings or the Christmas offering, are completely tax-deductible. Be sure your gift arrives at our office or is postmarked before December 31, 2025, to ensure that it can be applied to your 2025 giving statement. Please be sure to include your name and address when you give so that a receipt can be sent to you in early 2026 for your tax preparations. (You are not required to utilize a tax deduction for your gift, but it is available for all gifts.)



# JHANK YOU FOR SPREADING TRANSFORMATION

"And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns."

Philippians 1:6

