



Radical Christmas

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**THIS CHRISTMAS,
MAKE SOMEONE ELSE'S LIFE A
LITTLE BRIGHTER**



IT'S CHRISTMAS

Join us in celebrating the birth of our Saviour Jesus this Christmas by giving hope. Buy a gift in love for someone you have never met and spread the joy of Christmas.

You can shine the light of Jesus by generously purchasing a gift and receiving a symbolic Christmas tree decoration. This year's decorations feature the words that encapsulate a radical Christmas : Jesus, hope, love and joy. Check out the gifts you can give in the pages that follow and be a part of bringing hope this Christmas.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

Across the last five years, the Radical Christmas Campaign has seen incredible generosity shown by our community, and over \$85,000 has been donated through gifts of hope, love and joy, in Jesus' name. With anticipation we look forward to seeing the continuing impact of Radical Christmas in our own lives as we give, and in the lives of those who will receive in Christmas 2017.

WHEN YOU PURCHASE A RADICAL CHRISTMAS GIFT, MAKE YOUR CHOICE FROM THE SELECTION OF CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS TO TRIM YOUR OWN TREE, OR GIFT TO SOMEONE AS A GESTURE OF THE GIFT YOU HAVE PURCHASED ON THEIR BEHALF.

HAND-LETTERED AND IN PASTEL TONES, CHOOSE FROM JESUS, HOPE, LOVE AND JOY, EACH AVAILABLE IN 5 DIFFERENT COLOURS.

\$5

QUILTING FABRIC
CHILDREN'S HOSPICE



Purchase 1m of fun printed fabric or wadding to be used by the Connected Threads team to create children's quilts for Hummingbird House, Queensland's only Children's Hospice.

Having opened in October 2016, Hummingbird House provides world-class respite and end of life care for life-limited children and their families, and helps them discover moments and create memories to last a lifetime.



\$5

CHRISTMAS GIFT
MAINLY MUSIC



Provide a Christmas gift for families who are part of our weekly Mainly Music program.

A place where music makes memories. Mainly Music provides a weekly opportunity for young children to join together with their parents and caregivers for a fun thirty-minute music session in a loving, family environment. Friendships are formed, encouragement given, and families are given a chance to think about the God-part of life. Of course, the morning wouldn't be complete without a relaxed and delicious morning tea together.



CHRISTMAS JOY

PHILIPPINES FAMILIES (QUEZON CITY, MANILA)

\$8

Fund a special Christmas outreach for the weekly feeding program supporting 200 children in Manila, and provide each child's family with a Christmas Hamper including rice, noodles, milk, canned goods and some Christmas treats.

The Jesus the Life Giver Christian Church, located in Quezon City, Manila, are actively serving the poor in their community through medical mission, feeding program and outreach programs. Their heart is to teach the next generation to follow God, and for them to learn how to care and teach others.



CHRISTMAS JOY

REFUGEE CHILDREN

\$20

Share the joy of Christmas with refugees by giving a Christmas gift to the children of families who are settling in and making their new home in our city. Donating a Christmas gift gives a sense of welcome to those who are newly arrived, many of whom have no family and friends to provide additional support.

Partnering with the Multicultural Families Organisation, we are hoping to provide gifts for 91 children who will be attending the annual Christmas function.



\$25

CHRISTMAS JOY ANGEL TREE



Provide a Christmas gift to children in our City, who have a parent in jail.

For the children of prisoners, life can be sad, lonely and depressing. Statistics indicate that children of prisoners are more likely than other children to break the law, engage in damaging relationships, and demonstrate antisocial behaviour – all of which can lead to imprisonment as a juvenile or adult.

Today's children of prisoners are in danger of becoming tomorrow's prisoners unless we work together to show them a hopeful future. Angel Tree is a powerful program that reaches prisoner's children with the love of Christ and provides a valuable opportunity to help restore damaged child-parent relationships.



Children with a parent in prison grow up wondering if their mum or dad still loves them. Through Angel Tree, you can be the one to show them they do!



\$32

CATARACT SURGERY CHRISTIAN BLIND MISSION



Give a life-changing gift of cataract surgery to restore sight in some of the poorest nations around the world. The gift of sight restores hope and life, opening a new world of opportunities.



\$40

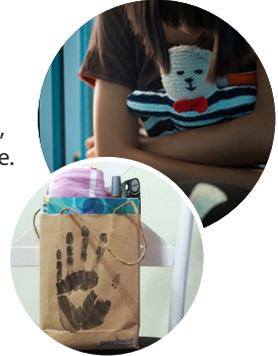
SUPPORT RESCUED TRAFFICKED CHILDREN

DESTINY RESCUE, THAILAND



Help a rescued child settle into her new home with some basic essentials to make her feel valued.

Girls sometimes enter rescue homes with very little, and Destiny Rescue likes to make them feel at home. The Rescue Welcome Pack provides a girl with new clothes, pyjamas, hair ribbons and a few other essentials she needs to feel at home and settle into her new life.



\$50

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

THE SANCTUARY



Every family deserves a home free from domestic and family violence.



Partner with a refuge organisation on the ground to create additional apartments at their filled to capacity grounds - homes for women and children when they leave a domestic violence situation.



\$65

CHRISTMAS HAMPER

GOLD COAST FAMILIES

Provide some extra joy and relief for a struggling family through the provision of a Christmas Hamper filled with basics, as well as special Christmas treats.

So much more than a basket of food, a Christmas Hamper is an expression of love and care with the message, "You are not alone"



\$65

COACH COMMUNITY MENTORING GOLD COAST FAMILIES



The aim of COACH is to see people in tough places flourish through one to one mentoring. The focus is on families, and seeing communities being transformed socially, economically, emotionally and spiritually.

As role models, mentors build a sustained relationship, offering practical help and mentoring towards life goals.

Mentors volunteer their time, but your donation towards COACH's annual fees and training costs will see families impacted in a very real way.



\$100

RADIO BROADCAST TIME MINDANAO, PHILIPPINES

Sponsor one week's radio broadcasting time and reach 450,000 people with the Gospel message in the Highlands across Mindanao, in the Philippines.

A message of hope, love and transformation is broadcast on a commercial radio station for one hour every Saturday night throughout the year.



The testimonies of changed lives as a result of the radio ministry are incredible.



\$100

EMERGENCY FOOD AND FUEL RELIEF GOLD COAST FAMILIES

Help families and individuals address immediate basic needs in times of unforeseen crisis such as illness and accidents, or family violence.

Provision of immediate support such as food or fuel vouchers, part-payment of utility accounts, and budgeting assistance relieves the stresses being faced by those in a tough spot.

Your tax deductible gift to Love This City meets very practical needs.



LOVE
THIS CITY

\$100

TRANSFORMATION CENTRE TRAINING CHURCH PLANTERS. INDIA

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Donate towards the set up costs of a Transformation Pastor Training Centre in India through our partnership with Empart.

Church planters are trained in community : 25 - 30 students will spend one year living in and learning, receiving intensive teaching and sharing daily in their leader's personal life, family and church work. This method of training is highly effective in the spiritual, practical and emotional development of the students.

In addition to their spiritual discipleship, students gain practical skills like sewing, hair cutting and candlemaking so that they can respond to the needs of the people they will be serving.



Transformation Centres are the key drivers in Empart's work in India. Upon graduation, these young men and women will then go out and each start churches within 3 months.

OurChurch will be partnering with other churches in the A2A Network to set up and support a new Transformation Centre.

\$110

EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION

GOLD COAST FAMILIES

Partner with Love This City to provide crisis and emergency accommodation for a family or individual on the Gold Coast.

Situations vary (at risk of homelessness, domestic abuse, severe health challenges, loss of income and more) but the practical reality of providing a safe place to sleep, and help in taking the next steps in the journey are invaluable.

Tax Receipt for your Love This City gift can be issued upon request



\$150 or
\$1800

CHURCH PLANTERS SUPPORT

INDIA

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Sponsor a Church planter, a trained, passionate worker who will plant 3 - 5 churches over a seven year period in a previously unreached village, allowing people to hear the Gospel for the first time. Each church planter will also be raising up other church planters during this time.

Empart's mission is to reach, restore, release and resource indigenous leaders to transform communities among the most unreached and needy.

Sponsor one, or any number of months, at \$150 / month, or gift \$1800 to cover the full year.





\$50
\$100
\$250
\$500
\$1000

Other amount

* Tax Receipt issued upon request for gifts over \$50

LOVE THIS CITY DONATION

GOLD COAST - SUPPORTING PEOPLE IN NEED

Make a tax deductible donation to Love This City, putting words into action in practical ways as we outwork our vision for a thriving, connected and healthy community.

Love This City provides general help, assistance, support and direct relief in the community from poverty, suffering, misfortune, distress, sickness, disability and helplessness.

Partner with us and help us Love This City!



Thank you for your donation towards the Radical Christmas campaign.

Your gift will bring hope and joy in a very real way.

If donations towards a particular gift exceed what is required, the extra funds will be redirected to the next greatest need. Rest assured, your donation will be well stewarded and will make an impact.

We thank you for your love and generosity as we partner together in loving God and loving people.



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