



barnabasgifts

of love and hope

2020-2021

Dear Friend,

In the New Testament, Jesus commands us to “love one another” (John 13:34), just as He loved us. We are asked to care for our brothers and sisters with the powerful, unfailing love our Saviour has for us. In post-Covid times, new difficulties have been heaped upon existing hardships and distress that our suffering family already bear. They need our gifts of love and hope more than ever. Barnabas Fund is now focusing on post-Covid priorities that will make the biggest difference to suffering Christians in extreme need. Through Barnabas you can help them to rebuild their lives, gain self-sufficiency, access vital healthcare, find spiritual sustenance or be trained for much-needed Church leadership roles. Widows and orphans are a fast-growing group. In West Africa this is due to a terrible surge in anti-Christian violence during lockdown. These, the elderly and other vulnerable Christians need essential aid to survive. And the next generation – the children and young people – need education and skills to equip them for the future.

Investing in hope

Our global persecuted family face discrimination, pressure, violence and even death because of their faith. Through prayer and by practical support, we can help them in their time of need. Supporting Barnabas Fund through your gifts and prayers for the post-Covid priority projects you will read about in the following pages is a powerful way that you can transform the lives of fellow believers.

In this catalogue you will find many ways that you, your small group or your church can invest in hope, by making a gift to help Christians facing persecution, discrimination and poverty for owning the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. By donating to a project you can make a lasting, often life-changing, difference to the lives of

our Christian brothers and sisters who are standing firm in their faith in the midst of extreme adversity.

On each page you will find a particular area of post-Covid need and suggested gifts that could make a thoughtful alternative birthday or Christmas gift. We can also supply an attractive gift card to send to the person on whose behalf you have made the donation. For details of the different gift cards available, see page iv in the centre of this booklet.

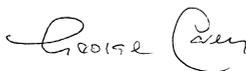
Growing your gift

If you are a UK taxpayer and you sign the GIFT AID declaration on page i, we can claim an additional 25p from the government for every £1 you donate, so your support goes even further at no extra cost to you. Regular gifts allow us to plan strategically, respond quickly to urgent situations, and also help to keep our administrative costs low. Our regular donations form can be found on pages i-iv.

Please prayerfully consider your response to the needs outlined in the following pages and give as the Lord leads. Pray also for the projects and those they seek to help.

May you be blessed as you show your love for the suffering Body of Christ and bring them the hope they need.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



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Barnabas Fund Chairman

August 2020

What did your gifts achieve?

We helped over **600,000** Christians affected by covid crisis and/or locusts

and in the last year* we funded **348** projects in **63** countries including...

14,000



Education of 14,000 children supported in 138 schools/institutes in 15 countries

44,000



Regular feeding programmes assisted 44,000 individuals in 17 countries

26,000



Victims of violence and injustice: 26,000 individuals assisted in 19 countries

320



320 full-time Christian workers (213 pastors and 107 evangelists) supported in 16 countries

30,000



Theological and other leadership training support for 30,000 individuals in 22 countries

196,000



Christian literature: Total of 196,000 items, including 13,000 Bibles and 117,000 New Testaments, in 18 countries

Open

12,000

12,000 individuals helped with small business livelihood projects in 12 countries

19



19 church buildings (including renovation and repairs) helped in 7 countries

1,400



11 medical projects to help about 1,400 individuals in 8 countries

2,000



2,000 converts helped in 11 countries

69,000



Supported 69,000 victims of natural disasters in 11 countries

150



150 water projects in 5 countries



Schools and
vocational training

Investing in the next generation



"I, who was a child of the street,
have become a child of God,"
said Ahmed



Akash is thriving at his new
Christian school

Millions of Christian families still live in the vicious cycle of poverty and illiteracy. This can often be broken simply by educating one generation, thus enabling them to get better jobs than their parents.

Twelve-year-old Akash from Pakistan should be in Class 7, but is still in Class 2. Because he is Christian, he was not allowed to eat or drink with his Muslim classmates at his previous (non-Christian) school. He was bullied so badly that he was often too frightened to go to school, and fell behind in lessons. Akash is now rapidly catching up at his new Christian school.

Vocational training enables young Christians to find work

We also provide vocational training to enable young Christians to develop skills that can help them earn a living. "Ahmed's" parents wanted him to become an imam and sent him to Quranic school, which he hated. He ran away and began living on the streets of Senegal. Later he became a Christian and suffered persecution of this decision. With funding from Barnabas, Ahmed trained as a shoe repairer, and is now supporting himself with these skills. "Without the Barnabas Fund, I was never going to train myself and earn my dignity as a man," he said.

In Pakistan we are supporting an apprenticeship project, in which Christian school-leavers learn trades, such as electrician, tailor, plumber, hair-dressing or car mechanic, by on-the-job experience. Barnabas also covers the costs of an older Christian who visits the apprentices to mentor them and give them pastoral encouragement.

£2
(\$3; €2)

could educate a child at Akash's very basic school for a month

£9
(\$12; €10)

could provide one month of support for a Pakistani Christian apprentice learning a trade

£35
(\$46; €39)

could provide a month of quality education for a young Christian in Bethlehem

£280
(\$370; €310)

could provide vocational training in sewing or hairdressing for a Christian convert in Senegal for six months

Living Streams: Sponsor a schoolchild

Give a Christian child the gift of hope by funding their education at a Christian school

Your regular monthly gift of £18* (\$25; €20) could sponsor a child to grow in body, mind and spirit. We will give you details and a photo of the child you are helping and news updates from time to time. Join Living Streams or find out more at Barnabasfund.org/LivingStreams or contact us on sponsorship@barnabasfund.org or **01672 564938**.

**This is an average cost, but a regular gift of any amount will make you a sponsor.*

REFERENCE NUMBER:

00-794 Christian schooling for Christian children
PR1535 Vocational training fund



Income
generation,
start ups

Investing in livelihoods and self-sufficiency



This church-based chicken farm provides income for poor Christian families in a south-east Asian country where Christians suffer severe persecution

Economies across the world are plunging due to the Covid crisis. The flow of funds from wealthier countries to developing countries is likely to diminish. At Barnabas Fund we believe it is time for churches everywhere to become self-funding and self-sustaining, like the New Testament churches, especially in situations of pressure and persecution.

Join with us now to invest in hope by funding start-up costs for a wide range of income-generating projects. Some support individual families through “living businesses”; others will provide running costs for churches, seminaries, Christian schools and other Christian ministries.

Seeds and tools can get a family started with a small agricultural project. Or we can provide animals, whether chickens, ducks, goats, pigs or even cattle.

For widows and other women supporting their children from the safety of the home, the ideal is a sewing machine or cooking equipment. Another safe project for women is working in a beauty salon; Barnabas can provide furnishings and equipment to get a beautician business off the ground.

On a larger scale, a group of families could share an auto-rickshaw (“tuk-tuk”) and earn income as a taxi.

Many Bible colleges or seminaries in Asia have extensive areas of land lying idle. For a small input of equipment and seed, the land can become productive, growing cash-crops to support the running costs of the institution.

£6 could buy a fryingpan for a home-based business to cook and sell snacks
(\$8; €7)

£15.50
(\$20; €17)

could buy two chickens as part of a church chicken project to help rural Christian families in south-east Asia

£37 could buy a piglet for a pig farming project for poor and persecuted Christians in south-east Asia
(\$49; €41)

£82 could provide a stove and gas cylinder for a Christian woman to help her start-up a small cooking business
(\$108; €91)

£400 could provide a motorcycle cart in Pakistan for transporting goods or a mobile market stall
(\$529; €443)

REFERENCE NUMBER:

00-356 Small-business start-up fund



Vulnerable
Christians

Investing in practical care for the vulnerable



Shared tube-wells with hand-pumps for
vulnerable Christians in Bangladesh

Widows and orphans, refugees, victims of violence and injustice, converts from other religions, and those afflicted by natural disasters – through Barnabas Fund you can transform the lives of the most vulnerable Christians, both individuals and communities. In a world distracted by the struggle with coronavirus, their needs remain and must not be forgotten.

We provided aid for Christians after a murderous attack by Fulani militants on Hura village in Plateau State, Nigeria, in which nine Christians died. The village was sheltering hundreds of Christians who had fled previous Fulani onslaughts on nearby communities, attacks that increased during lockdown. Thanking Barnabas, a pastor said, “What you have done is rekindle the faith in our people that indeed God cares and is always with us in our suffering.”

We helped a Kyrgyz widow who had to flee with her children after her husband died of Covid-19. The couple were converts from Islam to Christianity, very active in serving the Lord, and their young children were all believers. But, as soon as the funeral was over, the husband’s Muslim relatives descended on his widow, trying to take her 12-year-old son to train him to propagate Islam. In the anonymity of a strange city, the bereaved family were safe but had nothing to live on. Barnabas helped local churches to support them and buy the equipment the widow needed to earn a living with her tailoring skills.

Barnabas has assisted over 600,000 Christians affected by the coronavirus crisis or the 2020 locust swarms, which were the worst for decades. Many Christians who lost their livelihoods overnight through lockdown also saw their crops destroyed by the insects.

£20
(\$27; €22)

could help support a Christian widow for a month

£26
(\$34; €29)

could provide two sleeping mats and two blankets for Nigerian Christians displaced by violence

£115
(\$152; €178)

could provide a tube-well for a community of poor and persecuted Christians in Bangladesh

REFERENCE NUMBERS:

00-345 Victims of violence fund
00-113 Convert fund
00-634 Disaster relief fund

About Barnabas Fund

As part of the family of God, Barnabas Fund stand with our Christian brothers and sisters around the world, including the West, wherever they suffer discrimination, oppression or persecution as a result of their faith. In this way we witness to the love of Christ and build His Kingdom.



1. We encourage prayer for the persecuted Church by providing comprehensive prayer materials. We believe in the power of prayer to change people's lives and circumstances, either through grace to endure or through deliverance from suffering.



2. We channel money **from** Christians **through** Christians **to** Christians. Donations from individuals and churches are forwarded to local ministries and Christian organisations in contexts of persecution, mainly in Muslim-majority environments, to bring about practical and spiritual transformation in the lives of suffering believers.



3. We tell the untold story about the plight of persecuted Christians and speak out on their behalf, making their needs known to Christians around the world and to governments and international bodies.

We seek to tackle persecution at its root by making known the aspects of religious and secular ideologies that result in injustice and oppression of Christians and others. We also equip Christians in the West to meet the challenge that other religions pose to the Church, its mission and society.

We believe the clear Biblical teaching that Christians should treat all people of all religions and none with love and compassion, even those who seek to persecute them. We carry out our vision and purpose accordingly, but we will not compromise what we believe the Word of God teaches.

*“As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, **especially to those who belong to the family of believers.**” Galatians 6:10, (NIV, emphasis added)*

Yes, I would like to give a gift of love and hope to persecuted Christians

You can either set up a regular donation, or make a single donation. You can give to the General Fund or to one or more of the projects whose reference numbers are listed throughout the booklet.

Simply fill out your **contact details** below and then fill out the section for either **single donations** (page ii) or **regular donations**

(page iii). If you are a UK tax-payer, please complete the **Gift Aid Declaration** below to enable us to reclaim tax on all your donations at no extra cost to you.

If you would like us to send you a **gift card(s)** following your donation, please also complete the section on page iv with details of the wording required.

Title	Full Name		
Address			
			Postcode
Phone		Email	

Please remember to complete the Gift Aid form below if applicable

Please use my gift for: (Mark your preference)*

- Wherever the need is the greatest (General Fund)
- Other (give reference number of project to be supported)

I do not require an acknowledgement of this gift

giftaid it **Gift Aid Declaration** (Applicable to UK taxpayers only) Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. **Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer, please fill this in below if different from the details above.**

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must mark the box below:

I want to Gift Aid this donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past to: **Barnabas Fund**. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Title	Full Name		
Full Home Address			
			Postcode

Please notify Barnabas Fund if your circumstances change.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.



Please return this form to Barnabas Fund at your national office or to the UK office. Addresses are on the back cover. Barnabas Fund will not give your address, telephone number or email to anyone else.

Single donation

Here is my single gift of: £25 £50 £100 £

I enclose a cheque/voucher payable to "Barnabas Fund"

OR Please debit my Visa Mastercard American Express



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CAF card /other charity card Other

Card Number

Expiry date / Signature



You can also make a donation by Direct Debit, credit or debit card by phoning **0800 587 4006 (+44 24 7623 1923 from outside UK)**, by visiting our website at www.barnabasfund.org/donate or by scanning this code with your device.



I have made an internet transfer/bank deposit of:

£25 £50 £100 £

to the Barnabas Fund bank account on: / / (date)

(Sort Code: 20-26-53, Account Number: 50133299).

Your bank reference: Please quote your Barnabas Fund reference number or your postcode and house number. If you prefer not to receive an acknowledgement please add letters **DNA** to the reference.



Text Donations

For a quick donation of £5.00 by SMS text **AID** to **70660**

(Please note: This facility is presently only available to UK supporters).

Texts cost £5.00 plus network charge. Please obtain bill payer's permission.

Customer care **024 7623 1923**. Charity no. 1092935. For full terms and conditions please visit www.barnabasfund.org/terms-and-conditions

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*If the project is sufficiently funded, we reserve the right to use designated gifts either for another project of a similar type or for another project in the same country.

Regular donation

I would like to give regularly by Direct Debit

A Direct Debit can be set up by **completing your details overleaf** and the **form below**, by telephoning the UK office or by going to our website.

£ (please write amount in words below)

Please start on 1st 3rd 7th 11th 15th 21st 28th
of Month: and then every month quarter year
until further notice.

This Direct Debit is a new one in addition to my existing regular gift(s)
 replaces an earlier Standing Order/Direct Debit in favour of Barnabas Fund.

Instruction to your bank or building society to pay by Direct Debit



Please fill in the whole form in a ball point pen and send to: Barnabas Fund, 9 Priory Row, Coventry CV1 5EX

Service user number

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Name and full postal address of your bank or building society

To: The Manager	Bank/building society
Address	
Postcode	

Name(s) of account holder(s)

Bank/building society account number

Branch sort code

Reference (Barnabas Fund to complete)

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay Barnabas Fund Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction subject to the safeguards assured to by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with Barnabas Fund and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Signature(s)
Date

THE DIRECT DEBIT GUARANTEE

This Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits. If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit, Barnabas Fund will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request Barnabas Fund to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request. If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit by Barnabas Fund or your bank or building society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society. If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when Barnabas Fund asks you to. You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify us.



Alternative gift cards

If you choose to support a Barnabas Fund project as an alternative gift for a friend or relative, we can supply you with an attractive gift card, which you can send to the person on whose behalf you have made the donation.

Please fill in the details below and please complete your name and address on page i. Please write clearly.

"Dear

A gift of £

has been received on your behalf from

This gift will assist Christians who are persecuted for their faith. With many thanks on behalf of the persecuted Church"

Please state your preferred card choice (see right):

A B C

- Tick here if you **do** want the amount to be stated on the card
 Tick here if you **do** wish details about the project to be included on the card



If you would like more cards, please photocopy this page or attach a separate piece of paper with the details for the extra cards and send it with your donation. You can also call your nearest Barnabas Fund office with the details and pay by credit card over the phone.

If you would like to have the card sent directly to the recipient, or if you would prefer to receive blank cards and fill them out yourself, please contact your national office (address details on back cover).

Legacy donation

For information about how to leave a gift to Barnabas Fund through your will or for free advice from Barnabas Legal team

- Please send me copies of the free booklet *A Christian guide to making and changing your will*
- Yes, I am interested in the free will writing service from **Barnabas Legal**, please send me the *Will Questionnaire*

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Blessed to be a blessing to others

Bringing hope and a future to this and the next generation of believers

Blessed to be a blessing to our Christian family all over the world

God blessed Abraham so that he could in turn be a blessing to others (Genesis 12:2). Not just members of his own family, tribe, city or nation, but all the peoples of the earth. After you have taken care of your loved ones in your will, please consider widening your care to those who belong to your extended family, that is your Christian brothers and sisters worldwide.

A gift that never passes away

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.” – Luke 21:33

What kind of blessing can you pass on to others?

A legacy gift (that is, a gift included in your will) can:

- Feed Christians facing hunger and deprivation, disadvantaged for belonging to the family of God
- Help believers who have suffered violence for their faith
- Give shelter to displaced Christian families fleeing persecution in their homeland
- Support an evangelist or pastor facing daily danger in their ministry in regions where Christians are a persecuted minority
- Strengthen Christian brothers and sisters with Bibles in their own language
- Train young children up in their faith through Christian schooling

Barnabas Legal can help you write your will

Barnabas Legal can help you write your will. Writing a will can be a daunting task that many people delay, sometimes until it's too late to choose who will benefit from their estate*. If you die without leaving a will (intestate), UK intestacy rules will apply and your estate will pass to defined close family members, or, if none are alive, to the government. If you want to choose who will benefit from your estate, Barnabas Legal will be happy to assist you with the drafting of your will.

To take advantage of this free service from our expert legal team, please complete the form in the centre of this booklet. Simply tick the box requesting information on Barnabas Legal and we will send you a Will Questionnaire to complete and return to us. Alternatively, you can download the Will Questionnaire from our website: barnabasfund.org/barnabas-legal

Please do remember to help your Christian family when you come to plan for your future

If you would like more information about how to leave a gift to Barnabas Fund through your will, or get help with writing a will, please contact: finance@barnabasfund.org or phone **024 7623 1923** or fill out the form in the centre of this booklet and send it to: Barnabas Fund, 9 Priory Row, Coventry, CV1 5EX, UK

* Estate – all the money and property that a person owns, especially everything that is left when they die.



Medical care

Investing in health care



Nurses dispense vital medicines to Christian brick-kiln families from a mobile healthcare unit in Pakistan

The Covid-19 crisis highlighted a desperate need for healthcare for poor and persecuted Christians.

Needy Christian families are now even more impoverished after losing months of income or their livelihoods disappearing altogether during lockdown. The cost of healthcare, medicines or surgery are now simply out of reach for many Christians.

Sickness or an accident can be disastrous for a Christian family living at a simple level, earning just enough for their daily needs, but whose small savings could never cover costly medical care.

In post-Covid times, Barnabas is helping to establish and support simple, cost-effective Christian clinics and dispensaries, especially in places where Christians are already marginalised and persecuted.

Mental health is also a growing area of need, not only because of Covid lockdown but also because of anti-Christian violence. Trauma counselling brings hope and peace.

Example: Pakistan – mobile healthcare units for brick-kiln families

Brick-kiln workers are at particular risk of chronic respiratory symptoms and illness due to the dust and smoke they are exposed to in their work. Most lack equipment, masks and clothes to protect them. Poor sanitation for workers and lack of proper toilets or fresh food also bring health risks.

Women often work hard alongside their husbands in the gruelling heat and dust, even working during pregnancy. On top of the hard labour, women also look after their family's needs, collecting wood and water and other household chores. Young mothers are especially at risk and there is a high rate of infant mortality.

Barnabas is funding mobile units with nurses and a driver/assistant that will provide regular health checks, medical treatments and medicines for impoverished Christian brick-kiln families.

£10
(\$13; €11)

could provide a stethoscope

£26
(\$34; €29)

could provide a day's running costs for a simple, cost effective, church-based clinic

£35
(\$46; €39)

could provide a drip stand

£50
(\$66; €55)

could pay for 25 Pakistani Christian women to attend a church-run seminar on health education

£1,550
(\$2,040; €1,725)

could provide the set-up costs for a mobile health-care unit to serve Pakistani Christian brick-kiln communities (excluding vehicle costs)

REFERENCE NUMBERS:

00-671 Medical fund

PR1534 Clinics and dispensaries in Pakistan



Leadership
training

Investing in leaders



Doctoral students gather periodically for training in research methodology etc. (This photo was taken before Covid-19. Meetings now are by video conferencing.)

The Covid-19 pandemic has changed the world. Greater pressures face us all, and greater persecution looms for many of our brothers and sisters. Now, more than ever, good leadership is needed in the Church.

But many leaders serving faithfully in places of poverty or persecution have had little or no opportunity for training. Another factor is that several countries have recently imposed new requirements on those in Christian ministry, who now need to have appropriate academic credentials or they are not allowed to minister.

Barnabas Fund is therefore increasing our investment in Christian leadership training, both theological and the other skills that pastors, evangelists, church-planters and ministry leaders need, especially in a post-covid situation.

With twenty-first century technology, much training can be done part-time and at a distance, instead of in a classroom. This not only prevents the spread of the virus but also means that students can continue with their ministry or paid employment without disruption. But there are church leaders so poor that they do not have a laptop or tablet, or even a smart phone. For some, who struggle even to feed their families, the internet connection itself may be financially out of their reach.

Please join with us to invest in equipping and training church leadership. If we strengthen the leaders, they can strengthen their church members to cope with the increasing discrimination, harassment and other pressures that they face.

- 1. The Shepherd's Academy** – holistic training for grass-roots pastors, modelled on the ministry of the Good Shepherd. Training is at certificate level (one year), diploma level (two years) and BMin level (three years).
- 2. Master's** degrees to equip more senior leaders with specific knowledge related to their context and the particular challenges posed by the other religion among whom they live.
- 3. Doctoral** study for the most senior leaders, pursuing their own original research for a PhD on a subject of real practical relevance to the Church in their own context.

Typical costs are as follows:

Shepherd's Academy

£27 (\$36; €30) per student per month;
£320 (\$420; €350) to gain certificate;
£640 (\$840; €700) to gain diploma;
£960 (\$1,260; €1,060) to gain BMin.

Master's degree

£79 (\$104; €87) per student per month;
£1,900 (\$2,500; €2,100) to complete 2-year course

Doctoral students

£179 (\$235; €198) per student per month;
£8,600 (\$11,300; €9,500) to complete doctorate over four years, part-time.

Laptop in Africa

£500 (\$20; €17)

Internet access in Africa

£15 (\$20; €17) per month

REFERENCE NUMBER:

00-430 Leadership training fund



Spiritual
resources

Investing in the spiritual life of persecuted believers



"Dawgn" holds her new Bible, in her own language, that Barnabas helped to provide for her in the camp for Internally Displaced People where she has lived for eight years

“When the war came to our village, we had to flee,” said “Dawgn”, a Sunday School teacher in an Asian country where Christians are violently persecuted. “I had one Bible from the Sunday school. I took it with me when we left our village. We were hiding in the jungle and my Bible was in my bag. Then all of a sudden soldiers discovered us and started shooting at us. I had no time to get my bag. I only grabbed our children and ran. So I lost my Bible and I have been depressed and sad about this for the past eight years. But today God answered my prayers ...”

Fundamental to everything that Barnabas Fund does is to resource our persecuted brothers and sisters spiritually – so they can stand firm in the Lord, no matter what pressures and persecution they face.

This has become all the more imperative in the time of coronavirus, as lockdowns and curfews come and go, and Christians are increasingly cut off from each other.

Of course, Bibles, New Testaments and Gospels are the most important resource. Sometimes we pay for translation, sometimes for printing, sometimes for transport.

But other literature can be very helpful too. Barnabas Fund is often asked to provide hymn books and song books to help suffering Christians in their worship. In countries like Egypt, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan, Christian magazines for children are greatly used by the Lord to encourage young believers in their faith, despite the hostility and contempt that face them from the rest of society.

Literature like this helps to undergird the faith of persecuted believers and give them hope.

There are also other resources, especially digital, which can make a vital difference to those living daily with pressures of many kinds. On the next page, you can read about our new *Barnabas Today* website, created to provide effective spiritual encouragement for Christians in places of poverty, pressure and persecution around the world.

£3
(\$4; €3.50)

could print one copy of the New Testament in Russian

£7
(\$9; €8)

could print and deliver one copy of the New Testament in Tajik for Central Asia

£21
(\$28; €23)

could print ten copies of an evangelistic book in Bengali for use in Bangladesh

Living Streams: Give a Bible a month

Bring hope to suffering Christians through the grace of God’s Word, by investing in the gift of a Bible each month. Your regular monthly gift of £5* (\$7; €6) could provide twelve Bibles or New Testaments a year to strengthen Christians living under pressure and persecution. We will send regular news updates to those who commit to regular giving. Join Living Streams or find out more at: barnabasfund.org/LivingStreams or contact us on sponsorship@barnabasfund.org or 01672 564938.

**This is a suggested amount, but a regular gift of any amount can make you part of Living Streams Bibles and Scriptures.*

REFERENCE NUMBERS:

00-362 Bibles and scriptures fund
00-360 Christian literature fund

Our new website: barnabastoday.com



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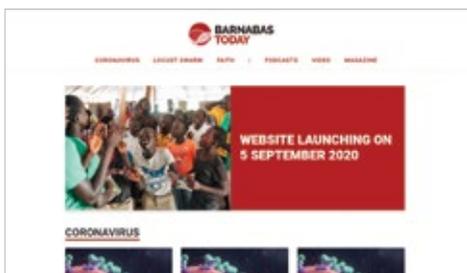
Launched in September 2020 and edited from India, the aim of our new *Barnabas Today* website is to provide spiritual resources to encourage poor and persecuted Christians.

We are prioritising resources created by our brothers and sisters living in those situations of poverty and persecution, not resources from the Church in the comfortable West.

With God's help, this new website will be a platform from which Christians can freely watch, read, listen or download material to touch their hearts, educate their minds and strengthen their souls. There are hymns and songs in different languages, with local music coming out of the various contexts. There are Bible studies, sermons and devotional material written by Christians from the midst of the fiery furnace, believers who really know what it is to suffer for Christ and can share from their own experience to strengthen others.

And these resources are there online to bless all of us, wherever we live. As

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