

Gift Giving

Christmas 2021

You are a gift
to others



Our Mission

Connecting Canadian donor champions with global champions to see maximum impact and multiplying transformation.

Bible League Canada is committed to doing missions differently. How? Through extraordinary international partnerships in over 40 countries. Local believers, equipped through Bible-centric discipleship programs to become champions for the Gospel, are reaching their own communities with the Living Word of God.

Bible League Canada is registered with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) as a charitable organization, registration number 10822-2084-RR0001

Good news to share!

Bibles for children in South Sudan

7,130 BIBLES

GOAL REACHED

Bibles for Myanmar

59,000 BIBLES

GOAL REACHED

Because of you, 7,130 children in South Sudan received Bibles and Scripture resources from a trained, caring Bible Club leader. These children will hear the life-changing message of Jesus Christ! But the work here is not finished. **There are still thousands of children waiting** for their opportunity to join the Children’s Bible Club, and hear about Jesus!

Myanmar continues to experience civil unrest and violence in the cities. This is driving many people to seek refuge in rural villages. The promises found in the Bible, shared with them by local champions, are providing comfort and hope to these weary souls. So many are coming to Christ, and you provided the Bibles to new believers to grow their faith! And because of the match opportunity, **twice as many Bibles were placed!** New believers are grateful for the Bibles received, and local champions are eager to continue spreading the Gospel.

God bless you!



Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 CORINTHIANS 9:15 NIV

Dear Friend,

You are a gift to the people you will read about in the pages of this Gift Giving guide. You sacrifice some of your treasures to make sure that someone else receives the life-changing message of Jesus Christ. This is such a **beautiful reflection of the gift of love that God has given to each of us: His one and only Son.**

2021 has demonstrated that the things of this world are temporary, and will be gone one day. The most important thing in life is knowing the God who made you and who gave you the greatest gift you will ever receive.

The gift offerings you find on the following pages will have a lasting spiritual impact on many individuals around the world. Please consider sharing thoughtful and transforming gifts on behalf of yourself or a loved one.

May you experience blessings of great joy during this Christmas season!



Paul Richardson
President and CEO
Bible League Canada

4

**Children's
Ministry**

6

**Persecuted
Church**

8

**Where
Needed Most**

10

**Adult
Ministry**

12

**Starting
New Churches**





You are Bringing the Gospel to the Classroom

Because of you, children and youth all over the Philippines are **learning about Jesus** – right in their classrooms.

Volunteer teachers bring the National Values Education Program to thousands of children every week, and many, many more are eagerly waiting.

The Filipino government is experiencing the same tensions about schools opening that we are. Implementing the necessary restrictions for COVID-19 is proving to be a challenge! The volunteer coordinators working in different regions are ready to teach, and be flexible. They continue to find ways to connect with their students with or without a classroom:

- In remote areas, the volunteer teachers conduct an after-school program in open areas.
- They build community by keeping local officials fully informed and cooperating with all local restrictions.
- In lower risk areas, volunteer teachers are doing neighbourhood Bible studies with the students.
- Video calls or live streaming with students who have a Facebook account.

The coordinators declare that this is the time to tell people about Jesus, not the time to surrender because of fear! Praise God!

“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”
PROVERBS 22:6 NIV

Children's Ministry

A children's ministry program can impact a whole community

When kids hear about Jesus in class online, or at camp. Their lives are changed. Respect, kindness, joy... these are all changes that parents see in their children. Parents often come back to the leaders or attend the sessions themselves to see “what happened” to their children!

And happy, excited children tell their families about Jesus. They read their new Bibles to them. They share the joy and hope found in Jesus. A children's ministry program can impact a whole community. **You are a vital part of the transformation that happens in these children's lives!**

\$20 enrolls a child

- local champions share Jesus with kids right where they are: classroom, camp, online, at home.
- children are equipped with Scripture resources to emphasize their lessons.
- each child receives a Bible.



How to Help

- Support one child for \$20
- Support a full class for \$800
- Give as you feel led



How to Give

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy

Give Bibles to believers facing extreme persecution

Bibles for Persecuted Believers

Your gift places Bibles in persecuted countries around the world.



Provide the same source of comfort that you turn to in times of trials. In the darkest of places, where persecution is a daily reality, believers face trials that many of us can't even imagine. But they find their strength and joy in Jesus and His Word.

We hear reports from our courageous ministry

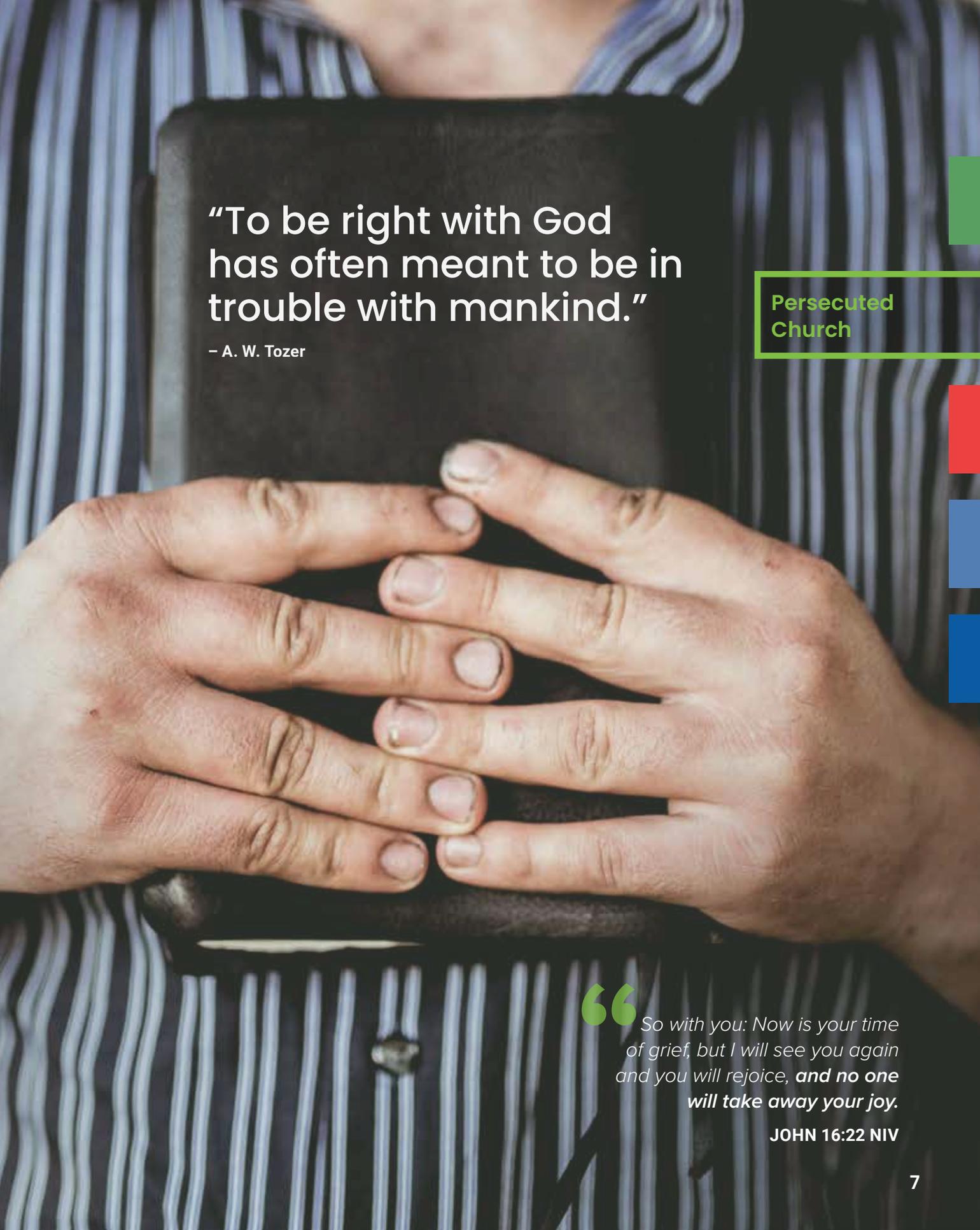
partners and local champions that these believers are clinging to hope. They ask for just two things: **our prayers to sustain them, and Bibles, so they can grow and share their hope.** Bibles are carefully transported, and placed into eager, waiting hands. God's Word is the song in their heart and the strength for their journey.

How many Bibles can you give?

- \$5 places a Bible
- \$100 provides a box of Bibles for an underground Church
- Give as you feel led

How to Give

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy



“To be right with God
has often meant to be in
trouble with mankind.”

– A. W. Tozer

Persecuted
Church

“

So with you: Now is your time
of grief, but I will see you again
and you will rejoice, **and no one**
will take away your joy.

JOHN 16:22 NIV

Give to **Where Needed Most**



**All Peoples. Everywhere.
Transformed by the Living
Word of God.**

By giving to where needed most, you provide flexibility to meet **urgent needs** as they happen.

With your help ...

- Thousands of local champions are able to be trained and start new churches.
- New believers can receive a Bible in the language of their heart!
- Believers at risk in countries where persecution is severe can receive Bibles.
- Local champions can receive Bibles and training to disciple new believers.

Because of you people in over 40 countries hear the life changing message of Jesus Christ!



“And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”

2 CORINTHIANS 9:8 NIV

**Where
Needed Most**

When you designate your gift as “where needed most,” you provide maximum impact:

Your gift goes where it is most needed TODAY! Bible League Canada works in over 40 countries around the world. Funds designated “where needed most” provide flexibility to respond to events like the pandemic.

How to Help

A GIFT OF ANY SIZE MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

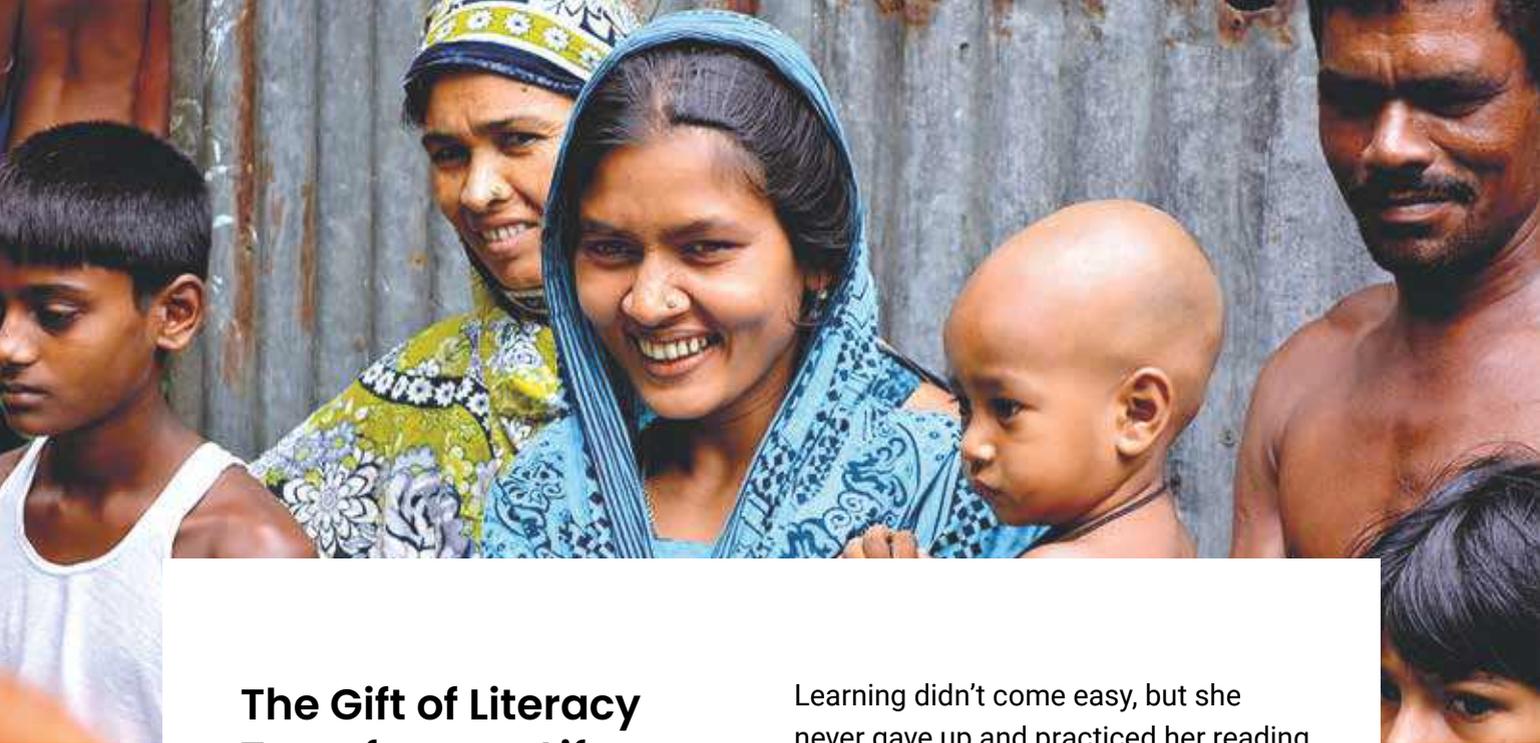
- **\$5** places a Bible
- **\$20** enrolls a child
- **\$45** teaches an adult to read the Bible
- **\$2,300** trains one local champion to start churches



How to Give

To provide maximum impact “where needed most”

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy



The Gift of Literacy Transforms a Life

Unable to write her name, Mahuli is humiliated to sign her bank transactions with a thumbprint.

Being illiterate, it was just one of many humiliations she endured. She longed to join in conversations with her friends as they discussed current events they read in the newspaper. Mahuli had to ask a neighbour to help her fill out paperwork from her son's school. Everything was more difficult without the ability to read and write.

Mahuli did her best to help her 8-year-old son with his homework. There were days she dreamed of going to school with him! She desperately wanted to learn to read and write.

Then she met the teacher from a local Adult Literacy Class, made possible through your support. There was one spot left, so she signed up for the class.

Learning didn't come easy, but she never gave up and practiced her reading, writing and simple math. And the Bible stories the teacher taught from were thought-provoking. Mahuli had many questions about Jesus.

Mahuli's faith grew as she heard —and read for herself! — Bible stories and spent time in prayer in the Literacy Class. She prays that others would come to a life-changing relationship with Jesus. She delights in being able to model her new literacy skills for others in her neighbourhood who are illiterate, so she talks to them about Jesus and encourages them to sign up for classes whenever a spot becomes available.

A gift of \$45 enrolls an adult learner like Mahuli in literacy classes, where she learns not only to read and write, but discovers her true worth in the eyes of Jesus.

You can help adults like Mahuli learn to read their Bible.

You Can Teach an Adult to Read their Bible

You can **enroll one adult**, which includes equipping them with a Bible and empowering local champions to teach them:

- Illiterate adults learn to read to a grade 5 level, as well as learn math, small business skills and hygiene.
- New believers are disciplined in Bible study groups, often resulting in new worship groups.

*Every part of these programs is infused with Biblical perspective, helping students to see their true worth in the eyes of Jesus. New worshipping groups are often the result, and **new believers are able to read and understand the Word of God!** Lives are transformed from the inside out.*

Adult
Ministry



How to Help

- \$45 enrolls 1 adult with a trained leader
- \$1,350 enrolls 1 class of 30
- Give as you feel led



How to Give

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy

Starting New Churches

“*And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.*”

2 TIMOTHY 2:2 NIV

You can empower a local champion to start a new church where there isn't one, transforming their community from the inside out. Through in-depth discipleship training programs with trusted mentors, genuine faith, and deep love for their neighbours, these local champions spark powerful movements within their communities.

As modern-day disciples they are inspiring in their love for the Lord Jesus, their courage, and strength of character. Training includes:

- 12-24 months of mentorship from experienced leaders: rotations of 1 month in classroom, 3 months supervised field work in their targeted area.
- Practical skills and hands-on training to start 1-2 local churches where there are none.
- Bibles and Scripture resources to share God's Word in the local community.
- Learning how to begin with children's Bible clubs and evangelistic Bible studies.
- Discipling new believers and identifying emerging leaders.



By the time their training is complete, most will have started at least one new church, sometimes more. Their goal is to strengthen this new church to become self-supporting, and send out its members to start more churches!

Perseverance is Key

“...starting a church here would be impossible.”

Carlos started as a church planter in the area of Antón, Panama, last year. After he received training, made possible through your support, he visited people in the community and began to share the Gospel with them.

“It was a challenge. I only met 3 people who seemed interested, and it seemed that starting a church here would be impossible,” Carlos says.

But Carlos persevered. The people began to get to know him, and trust him. Now there is a good-sized group of adults and children meeting regularly to praise God together. New leaders

are being raised up.

“We have been able to encourage and train some church planters to start churches,” he says, “But **even more are waiting for training.**” His personal experience in starting a church helps him to teach others and share his knowledge.

“I thank God for making me part of this process!”

Please hold Carlos up in prayer: that God would continue to strengthen his resolve and that his experiences would inspire a new generation of church planters to start churches in their communities!



Carlos

A very determined church planter.

Need

Establish a church in a community where there isn't one.

Program

Starting New Churches

Starting New Churches

How to Help

A gift of any size can support a local champion's training

\$2,300 provides full training for 1 local champion



How to Give

If you would like to give a gift to help train leaders to start new churches,

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy

“Running Out of Bibles”

— report from the field

“*I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.*”
PSALM 130:5 NIV



“Not enough Bibles.” That is the kind of report received from the field this year. Thousands of Bibles were placed in the hands of new believers. But the requests do not stop. **Many are still waiting.**

Perhaps it makes you want to hold up the spare Bible in your house and say, “here’s one!”?

That might not be practical, but you **CAN** send a Bible today! **With a \$5 gift**, you can say “here’s one!”

How many Bibles can you give?

- **\$5** gives a new believer a Bible.



How to Give

- Mail in order form
- Phone: 1.800.363.9673
- BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy



BE STILL WITH GOD DAILY

Refresh Your Devotional Time in God's Word

**ORDER YOUR
DAILY DEVOTIONAL
PLANNER TODAY!**

Online at [Parasource.com/
Bible-League-Canada](http://Parasource.com/Bible-League-Canada)

1-800-263-2664

Be still and know
that I am God...
Psalm 46:10

 **Bible League** CANADA
THE LIVING WORD TRANSFORMING LIVES

3 WAYS TO GIVE

There are 3 ways you can share
the love of Jesus in over 40
countries around the world.



1

Support programs

Designate your donation to places, peoples, or programs that resonate with your heart. Perhaps Children's Ministry (page 4), Bibles for persecuted Christians (page 6), or Adult Ministry (page 10).

3

Buy resources

The proceeds from Bibles or Bible resources purchased for personal use, or for your organization's programs, fund ministry in Canada and around the world!

2

Where needed most

Give your gift to place Bibles where the need is the most urgent today!

3 WAYS TO DONATE TODAY

Mail in order form | Phone: 1.800.363.9673 | Online: BibleLeague.ca/GiftofJoy