

**Bet you can't
wait to find out
what's in it!**



Want to get involved?

Pledge today by calling 1-866-888-6785

Ask for Karen Peters

When you call you will be asked for your name, address, and pledge. By December 10th a package of healing and hope will be mailed to arrive at your home in time for Christmas.

Thank you for considering a

Christmas
with a
DIFFERENCE

<http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/programs/christmas/>

For
God

so loved the world
that he gave his
one and only Son,
that whoever
believe in him
shall not perish
but have eternal
life. For God did
not send his Son
into the world to
condemn the
world, but to save
the world through
him.

Giving
as *God* gave
(John 3:16-17)



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**Mennonite
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For *God* so loved the world...

In 2003

polls reported that the average household in Canada planned to spend **\$575 per person on gifts** at Christmas time.

At Mennonite Church Canada, we're looking for persons who would like to redirect all or a portion of the money they plan to spend on gifts to make a lasting difference in someone's life. This Christmas, would you consider an alternative to traditional gift giving?

There are many reasons to give a gift that inspires hope and gives life. Few are as motivating as the example of God in the gift of Jesus to the world (John 3:16). This gift alone inspires us to respond with thanksgiving, sharing the love of God with all of humanity.

This Christmas,

join with friends and family from across Mennonite Church Canada in celebrating a ***Christmas with a difference.***

By making a gift of \$1500 or more, Mennonite Church Canada will send to you a gift that you and your family or gathering of friends can open Christmas morning. While the gift is a token of appreciation, it will be packaged with the most valuable of items: a story of how God's healing and hope is making a difference in someone's life.

Your gift will make a difference!



For **God** so loved the world...



What will the money be used for?

Your gifts will be used in two ministry locations: **Macau and Colombia.**

In **Macau** your gift will help build a dynamic church planting ministry in a city state that is renown for gambling, prostitution, and substance abuse. The Macau Mennonite church is reaching out to people looking for light in this otherwise dark city. This past year alone, we have heard numerous stories and received reports of lives transformed and new believers being baptized. Praise God! But the ministry is still in its infancy, and has great potential.

Colombia has been a place of long standing ministry for the Commission on Overseas Mission, and now Mennonite Church Canada Witness. Now, fifty years later, Mennonite Church Canada Witness is continuing to partner with the Colombian Mennonite Church in reaching out to this war-torn country by training leaders who will work with victims of violence as well as their oppressors.

A joyful Christmas surprise awaits as you open your gift and find a story that shares with you and your family about how the gift of God's light is transforming the life of someone in a far away place.

The miracle

of Christmas is that God's gift to humanity still brings hope, joy and peace in difficult and challenging circumstances.

Will you share that miracle?

