

FOR  
TO US A CHILD IS  
BORN  
TO US A SON IS  
GIVEN



ISAIAH 9:6

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**T**he Christmas season is a celebration of God the Father giving His Son to the world as part of the process of redeeming all things to Himself. “For to us a child is born, to us a son is given” (Isaiah 9:6 ESV). This is the most extravagant gift ever given, and we are invited to take part in the continual sharing of this gift of Jesus with the world around us. ★

Imagine what this Christmas season would look like if every NAB church sought to give of themselves as a means of sharing the gift of Christ. It could transform the way we celebrate the birth of God’s Son. If this was our attitude year round, it could transform our lives, our communities, and the world. ★





**W**hen he was in the fourth grade, Andrew Delzer started a non-profit called Clothes 4 KIN that partners with clothing closets, schools, and community organizations to provide clothes for kids in need. This ministry began when Andrew's family decided to give Christmas away after years of teachings on and practical applications of missional living at Century Baptist Church in Bismarck, North Dakota. Clothes 4 KIN was born out of Andrew experiencing the gift of Jesus and his desire to find a way he could give Christ's love to his community.

To learn more about Andrew's story visit [nabconference.org/give/christmas](https://nabconference.org/give/christmas).



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Century Baptist is one of the North American Baptist communities that has sought to share the gift of Christ year round. In a variety of ways, they have shared the gift of Jesus through acts of love and service and through intentional relationships.

Partner with us this season by giving generously to the NAB Ministry Resource Fund so we can equip more leaders in more churches to similarly impact more communities. Your gift of \$100, \$500, or more makes training, support, and resources for missional impact possible.

Some of the ways the people at Century have served their community include: twice a year serving a nice, restaurant-style meal to four hundred people in their community who are in need; establishing an ongoing partnership with the local alternative school, supporting the students and the staff who

otherwise would have little to no outside support; partnering with the local high school to connect students with adult mentors who provide a positive role model and teach everyday life skills; and financially and materially supporting the residential foster care facility in town.

All of these acts of service flow directly out of a soul-level understanding of what it means to live as people who have been sent by God to share the gift of Christ with the world around them. It's not because they are giants of the faith; they are simply serving God through giving their time, money, and resources.

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**I**t is the vision of the NAB International Office to see every NAB church equipping their people to reach into their neighborhoods with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to provide every NAB pastor and leader who desires it with the resources and training to equip them in this monumental effort. One of the main funding sources for this sort of missional training comes through the Ministry Resource Fund. While much has been done already in our movement, we have just scratched the surface, so your support is crucial.

Consider how you can join in supporting these efforts by actively serving in your community or by giving to the Ministry Resource Fund. Your gift will go a long way toward resourcing churches across North America and will help empower churches to reach new communities for the Gospel through multiplication, encouraging and cultivating pastors and leaders through ongoing spiritual formation, and supporting churches seeking to establish long-term international partnerships through short-term mission trips.

Above all, when you give you are directly participating in the work of sharing the gift of God's Son with our communities and our world. Thank you for choosing to partner with us by giving of yourself.



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