

Carols for Christian Aid



Unleash the power of song this Christmas with our special carol.

'When out of poverty is born', the beautiful carol written by Kathy Galloway, challenges us to remember amidst our Christmas celebrations, our neighbours around the world facing poverty, injustice and climate crisis.

The carol echoes the words of Isaiah, fulfilled through the actions of John the Baptist, to 'prepare the way', calling us to generosity in our Christmas giving and actions that reaches beyond our immediate family and friends. It asks us to use the joy and hope that Christmas brings to imagine a new world for all.

By sharing 'When out of poverty is born' with your church and community through your Advent and Christmas worship, carol services, or carol singing, you can stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers facing poverty and injustice. Unleash the power of song this Christmas by raising your voices with carols for Christian Aid.

Carol resources:

Download resources for our carol fundraiser at caid.org.uk/christmas

- 'When out of poverty is born' sheet music and lyrics
- 'When out of poverty is born' videos
- Ideas for prayer and worship
- Order collection envelopes
- Set up a digital fundraiser

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Fundraising at your carol event

At a Service

Take a collection

One way to encourage gifts for our global neighbours is to take a church collection. Order envelopes at caid.org.uk/christmas and leave on seats, include in a song booklet, or hand to people as they arrive. Share a story of the impact of Christian Aid's work during your service, and

Sell refreshments or gifts

Arrange some festive refreshments, such as mince pies, and have them after the service for a suggested donation.

If you have some creative members in your group or church, you could ask them to create Christmas cards or other items that could be sold as Christmas presents.

At public carolling

Take bucket donations

Encourage some of your carollers to have buckets to take donations from the public as they pass by. If you're carolling for a long time, consider having a rota of collectors! When planning your collection, ensure you check with the relevant groups (eg. local council or supermarket chain) that collections are allowed.

Encourage people to donate digitally

To create an online giving page, go to justgiving.com/caid (Northern Ireland) or <https://www.justgiving.com/christianaidire> (Republic of Ireland).

If you need any advice about your carol event, or how to fundraise, please contact us at ireland@christian-aid.org

The logo for Christian Aid, featuring the words "christian" and "aid" in a stylized font. "christian" is in a smaller, lowercase font above "aid", which is in a larger, bold, lowercase font. The text is white and set against a red background that is part of a larger graphic element.

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