



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2025



STATISTICS FOR NAMIBIA

Shoeboxes distributed: 71,274

Children enrolled in
The Greatest Journey: 36,508

The Greatest Journey Teachers
trained: 1,878

Number of children enrolled in The
Greatest Journey who made faith
commitments: 21,366

**Whatever things
you ask in prayer,
you will receive.**

—Matthew 21:22

PRAYER NETWORK UPDATE



The Power of a Child's Prayer

One simple shoebox gift can begin a journey that changes a child's life forever.

Seven-year-old Podied discovered this through The Greatest Journey. As she learned about God's love, something began to change in her heart.

"Since joining The Greatest Journey, the lessons and prayers have helped me so much. Now I pray before I eat, before I sleep, and before I go to school. We were taught how to pray and that prayer is the key."

For Podied, prayer became more than something she learned in a lesson, it became part of her everyday life. She now begins and ends each day by talking with God, growing in faith and confidence as she discovers that He is always listening.

Thirteen-year-old Golden also experienced the transforming power of prayer, but in a way that touched his entire family.

"After joining The Greatest Journey, many things changed in our home. We learned how to pray, and every night I prayed for my father because he did not have a job. We were told that God answers children's prayers, and He did. God blessed my dad with work."

What began as the faithful prayers of a young child became a powerful testimony of God's provision. Golden's answered prayer brought hope to his family and strengthened their faith, reminding them that God hears every sincere prayer, no matter how young the person praying.

These stories are beautiful reminders that The Greatest Journey is about so much more than a shoebox gift. It is about children discovering a personal relationship with Jesus, learning to trust Him in every circumstance, and seeing His faithfulness at work in their own lives. As children grow in God's Word and learn to pray, lives, families and communities are transformed, one child, one prayer and one step of faith at a time.

Prayer requests for Namibia

- Praise God that children around the world are discovering the joy and privilege of prayer through The Greatest Journey.
- Pray for every child enrolled in the discipleship program, that they would grow in their relationship with Jesus, stand firm in their faith, and become a light in their homes, schools, and communities.
- Pray for families to be transformed as children share what they are learning, bringing hope, peace, and the love of Christ into their homes.

Additional Prayers

Pray for Those Affected by Wildfires

- Please pray for individuals, families, and communities affected by devastating wildfires around the world. Ask God to bring protection to those in danger, comfort to those who have lost homes or loved ones, and strength and hope to everyone facing uncertainty and loss.

Pray for Venezuela

- Please pray for the people of Venezuela, especially those facing hardship, displacement, and the ongoing challenges. Ask God to provide for families who have lost homes and livelihoods, bringing comfort, protection, and hope in the midst of uncertainty.

- Pray for the Samaritan's Purse Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) and local church partners as they provide emergency relief, practical assistance, and the hope of the Gospel. Ask God to strengthen every team member with wisdom, endurance, good health, and safety as they serve those in need.

Pray for Operation Christmas Child UK

- Pray that God would open doors for more churches to become Church Collection Centres, enabling them to be part of both local and global mission. Pray they would build meaningful relationships within their communities, share the love of Christ with those who visit, and help send the hope of the Gospel to children around the world through Operation Christmas Child.

- Please also pray for the upcoming Project Leader Workshops in September. Ask God to guide every detail of the planning and preparation, and pray that everyone who attends would be encouraged, equipped, and inspired for the campaign ahead.