



# RELATIONAL GIFT IDEAS

Looking for ideas on how to “Give More” relationally this Christmas? Here are some gift ideas to help you get started.

## **Spend Time Together**

- Host a dinner party.
- Create together. Do a puzzle, bake cookies. Build a fort. Write a song. Make jewelry. Garden. Take photos.
- Be present. Make it a habit to have one technology-free night. Turn off the distractions and spend quality time together.
- Do an activity. Go for a hike and look at creation. Go see a concert or play.

## **Purchase with a Purpose**

- Research Fair Trade companies and purchase Fair Trade certified goods.
- Shop local. Buy from local boutiques and artisans.
- Donate to the Giving Tree. Honor someone with a gift made in their name to Children's Fresh Air Farm, First Light, Habitat for Humanity, IPC Food Pantry/Social Services, Mwandi Mission, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance or STAIR.
- Give to the IPC Day School HERO Scholarship Program.

## **Serve Someone**

- Make a helping-hands coupon book. Give your family vouchers to babysit. Help with yardwork. Do the dishes, Fold laundry. Clean the kitchen. Walk the dog.
- Take someone out to lunch after a church service and get to know their story.
- Volunteer at church as a family or small group. Serve a dinner at First Light. Help in the IPC Food Pantry.
- Bake cookies and make a thank you card for someone who regularly serves your community, like police officers, first responders, post office workers, doctors and nurses.
- Pay for a date night or babysit for a couple with young kids.

## **Celebrate Memories**

- Skip the traditional Christmas presents and instead plan a family vacation.
- Try something new, like cooking classes, music lessons, rock climbing, or painting.
- Make a list of local restaurants, parks, and activities you want to explore. Grab a friend and see how many you can experience together in the next year.
- Put together a cookbook of your favorite recipes that you can share with everyone in your family.
- Make a scrapbook or photo album for your grandparents.
- Put together a family night basket. Wrap up some popcorn, candy, gift cards, and board games

## **Share Your Talents**

- Celebrate the talents that God has given *you* and share those with others.