Make a Difference

Southern's Twelve Days of Christmas Gift Catalog



Warmest greetings this holiday season!

I know 2020 has been a challenging year for so many, yet we remain extremely grateful at Southern Adventist University. God's visible blessings and protective grace have allowed us to successfully complete our fall semester. We thank our Southern friends and alumni for your prayers, sacrificial giving, and sustained interest in the fulfillment of our mission.

We pause now to remember the miraculous birth of Jesus and celebrate the greatest gift—our Savior. Christmas is a time to reflect and look forward to the upcoming New Year and the excitement it brings.

I invite you to consider an opportunity to give a special gift for Southern students. We have created a **Twelve Days of Christmas Gift Catalog** where each day provides an example of gifts that positively impact our students.



Thank you for your continuous generosity. We count you as a treasured gift helping us to spread hope and joy like never before.

Wishing you health and the promise of peace,

David Smith

David Smith President

3 Easy Ways to Give

- **1** MAIL THE ENCLOSED DONATION FORM
- 2 VISIT southern.edu/give
- **3** CALL **423.236.2829**



Scan here to listen to our very own version of the *Twelve Days of Christmas* song



First Day of Christmas **SOUTHERN FUND**

\$50 \$100 \$250

Your gift to the Southern Fund allows us to use it wherever it is needed most.



Second Day of Christmas BAND-AID FUND

\$50 \$100 \$250

Students face emergencies while at Southern, and you can help get them through those unforeseen crises.



Third Day of Christmas SOUTHERN SCHOLARS

\$50 \$100 \$250

Open up the possibilities for Southern's honors students by funding research and growth opportunities.



Fourth Day of Christmas **HUMANITARIAN ENGAGEMENT**

\$50 \$100 \$250

Partner with students who volunteer to be the hands and feet of Jesus across the street or around the world through local service projects and humanitarian trips.

This Christmas, use Southern's Gift Catalog to give meaningful gifts in honor of your loved ones.



Fifth Day of Christmas
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

\$50 \$100 \$250

Your gift to an endowed scholarship will support students for generations to come.



Sixth Day of Christmas **STUDENT MISSIONS**

\$50 \$100 \$250

Lend your aid to students who spend up to a year serving and learning all around the world.



Seventh Day of Christmas BIETZ CENTER FOR STUDENT LIFE

\$50 \$100 \$250

You're not too late to be part of our new "campus living room," set to open in 2021.



Eighth Day of Christmas EVANGELISTIC RESOURCE CENTER \$50 \$100 \$250

Help train, mentor, and equip students to preach the gospel both here and abroad.

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Ninth Day of Christmas MCKEE LIBRARY

\$50 \$100 \$250

Champion the pursuit of knowledge and inquiry with a gift to our library.



Tenth Day of Christmas FEED MY SHEEP FOOD PANTRY

\$50 \$100 \$250

Meet a basic need for some of our students who lack sufficient meals because of lean financial resources.



Eleventh Day of Christmas STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

\$50 \$100 \$250

Students struggling through financial hardships need your help to continue their education at Southern.



Twelfth Day of Christmas ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

\$50 \$100 \$250

Give to any department where you are passionate about seeing continued growth, new equipment, special projects, and more.



How Gifts Have Changed Aisha's Life

iving at home was becoming difficult. As a new Seventh-day Adventist, I often clashed with my mom over my fledgling beliefs. One day, I learned about Southern at church, and I knew this was the place where I wanted to be.

The first semester was hard. At one point, I was taking five classes and working three jobs but still could not make ends meet. My situation went from bad to worse last spring when the COVID-19 pandemic forced Southern to go online and I lost both campus jobs.. With only one job, I began to fall behind on rent and didn't have enough for groceries. The stress affected my studies, and I couldn't focus on school.

I loved being at Southern but couldn't see how to make it work. A caring employee listened to my story, and then everything changed. Thanks to generous donors, I received a scholarship, food, and other resources. Now I'm getting back on my feet and continuing to pursue my dream to become a nurse.



Aisha Jones, senior nursing major

A Gift for You

Vegan Chocolate Chip Cookies

Yield: 2 dozen

Original recipe by Josh Rhodes, '06 and '11, employee and culinary artist

1 cup whole wheat flour

1 cup all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda

½ tsp. salt

34 cup plant-based butter, softened (1½ sticks)

1 cup brown sugar

1 Tbsp. molasses

1 Tbsp. Bob's Red Mill egg replacer*

1/4 cup water

1½ cup vegan chocolate chips or non-dairy chocolate bar, chopped

½ cup chopped pecans (optional)

1 Tbsp. sesame seeds (optional)

1/4 cup rolled oats (optional)



Preheat oven to 375°F.

Stir together dry ingredients and set aside.

Whisk together wet ingredients until creamy.

Stir dry mixture into wet ingredients just until dough comes together.

Add chocolate chips/chunks, nuts, seeds, and oats.

Mix until completely combined.

Use medium dough scoop (2-3 Tbsp.) to portion cookies on baking tray lined with parchment paper.

Flatten cookies to half-inch thickness with hands or bottom of a glass.

Bake 9-11 minutes until bottom edges begin to brown.

Allow cookies to cool slightly before removing from tray.

^{*}Alternatively, mix 1 Tbsp. ground flaxseed and ¼ cup water, then allow to thicken. Copyright Josh Rhodes, 2020

Notes of Thanks

My family and I are hugely thankful for this scholarship and thank God for your generosity and kind heart. This has certainly moved us, and we will never forget.

May God bless you, Pubert Nkhono, sophomore

business administration major

I have been awarded this scholarship, and if it wasn't for you, I wouldn't be able to go to Southern. I am one step closer to reaching my educational goals. With thanks, Jacob Fierro, freshman theology major

With a recent death in my immediate family, income has been more limited. I'm deeply grateful to all who have contributed to this fund. With your support, I can further my education. Many thanks, Andrea Stevens, senior chemistry major