

Tearfund Offer Christmas Gift Ideas To Pembrokeshire

1. Are you short of ideas for your loved one's Christmas presents, or fed up with faceless commercialism? *Tearfund* have gift ideas that, not only make great presents, but also support people working in some of the world's poorest communities through their *Living Gifts* and, recently re-named, *Created*.

Created, formally known as *Tearcraft*, offer a wide range of Fairtrade gifts which insure good working conditions and a fair wage to all workers. *Created*'s open and honest trading relationships ensure children are safe guarded, whilst also protecting the environment. Their work offers dignity and respect to people who have often been exploited. This work brings spiritual and material transformations through trade and is part of *Tearfund*'s 10 year vision to see people released from spiritual and physical poverty.

“*Created* is about enjoying beautiful and useful gifts, handcrafted by skilled artists living in some of the world's poorest communities. Every purchase from *Created* means people in need have valuable employment, a fair price and a better future. You can call to order a catalogue or visit our website to see our unique fair trade gifts and fair trade jewellery. A perfect gift this Christmas.” said local *Created* volunteer, Elsie Kitchen.

If you would like to try something completely different then why not consider *Tearfund*'s Living Gifts Vouchers? You can buy **Living Gift vouchers** for your friends and loved ones, who then get to decide where the money goes; you both get to make a real difference.

Step one: Choose your living gift voucher from the colour coded voucher system, prices range from £ to £100, and select a gift card.

Step two: Choose your delivery method. Living Gift cards and vouchers can be hand delivered to you or the person you are giving it to. If you need your gift quickly, it can be sent via email and you print it out.

Step three: Once the recipient has their voucher they can choose where is spent; supporting HIV work in Brazil, food shortages in Africa, on disaster prevention in India and much more. This can be done on line or via the post.

“Living Gifts are great. I love buying and receiving them. It is so good to think that this Christmas we can support people who are suffering. We buy a voucher, our loved ones get a gift and vulnerable people receive the gift of life because of this. It is what Christmas is all about – Love.” says *Tearfund*'s Voluntary Media Officer for Pembrokeshire, Sharron Hardwick.

To support *Tearfund* this Christmas visit www.tearfund.org call 0854 218 3960; www.livinggifts.org.uk call 0845 241 7782 and www.createdgifts.org call 0845 218 3960.

Together we can make a difference.

