

DECEMBER 2012: Adopting the Spirit

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What does an orphanage in China to severely special-needs children have in common with a birthday outreach or a free medical clinic? These are just a few of the unique ways *Charisma* readers are spreading the true **Spirit of Christmas** this year through their ministries. In this special Christmas issue, we celebrate these everyday heroes who are making a huge difference in the community—and world—around them.

Pastor Charles Stanley explains how we miss out on the true meaning of Christmas—and God’s blessing for us—when we fail to “Remember the Gift.” And with all the hoopla surrounding the Mayan calendar’s prediction of the end of the world this month, Troy Anderson examines a deeper issue for American Christians: What is the role of our nation—if any—in the end times?

Continuing our yearlong celebration of the 12 Communities of *Charisma*, we look at how the Holy Spirit is moving among mainline denominational charismatics—particularly Catholic and Methodist charismatics. And while America engages in a vicious war over culture, a new Spiritual Warfare Bible is preparing believers for a higher battle.

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