

# Advent & Christmas Charity – Retiring Collection

## Médecins Sans Frontières / Doctors Without Borders (MSF)

An independent charity that receives no Government funding, MSF teams are continually responding to complex and fast-moving humanitarian emergencies across more than 70 countries including Gaza, Sudan, Ukraine and Yemen. As the majority of its staff are locally recruited, it can reach and work in the places where help is most needed and give life-saving surgery, maternity care, contain outbreaks, and give critical care for survivors caught in conflicts and natural disasters.



- *A patient is admitted to an MSF emergency room every 15 seconds.*
- *49,000 people were treated in 2024 for physical violence in Palestine.*
- *134,000 surgical interventions were carried out by MSF in a year.*

*‘Two years of catastrophic violence in Gaza have left deep scars. More than 67,000 people have lost their lives, including 15 of our own MSF staff.’*

MSF logistics teams ensure that when a disaster hits, the doctors and nurses on the ground have exactly the tools they need, from inflatable hospitals to temperature-controlled medications.

*As medical facilities in Gaza struggle and no beds available, corridors and outdoor areas at Nasser Hospital are filled with patients...*

*£84 covers the cost of an MSF surgeon working in a hospital for a day.*

*£40 could provide six patients with antibiotics to prevent infections after surgery.*

*£170 could pay for emergency splints to immobilise injured limbs for 20 patients.*

How to give financially and more information about the charity can be found at:

<https://msf.org.uk/urgent-medical-response>

Donations will support medical work in Gaza and in current conflicts in the Middle East, including the West Bank and Lebanon, and will allow MSF to respond and adapt to the changing nature of conflicts.