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Daughters of Our Lady of the Visitation Sr. Catherine Do Thi Hoa visits Pako ethnic Ho Dua in Thua Thien Hue province on Dec. 14. (Joachim Pham)

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Sisters from three congregations in central Vietnam provided essential support to hundreds of people with disabilities, victims of natural disasters, pregnant women abandoned by their partners, homeless individuals, hospital patients, street vendors, motorbike-taxi drivers, used item collectors and ethnic villagers to celebrate Christmas.

They distributed food, warm clothing, medicine, artificial limbs and financial aid to help them overcome hardships and experience divine love.

Rain and the cold <u>temperatures</u> in the area for weeks are making it harder for many people to find employment and feed their families. Many other people had their belongings washed away during floods in November.

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Daughters of Mary of Immaculate Conception Sr. Mary Anne Duong Thi Nhi said, "We try to bring the hope of the infant Jesus to others as we prepare for the Jubilee of Hope in 2025 and celebrate Jesus' birth."

"We want to do something useful to help people rediscover the joy of encountering God and continue their life journey with renewed hope," she shared.



Daughters of Mary of Immaculate Conception Sr. Mary Anne Duong Thi Nhi offers cash and food to homeless Tran Anh Tuan in Thua Thien Hue province on Dec. 7. (Joachim Pham)



Lovers of the Holy Cross of Hue Sr. Agnes Pham Thi Men, center, gives gifts to Van Kieu ethnic Ho Thon on Dec. 16 in Quang Tri province. Thon said, "I am grateful to the sisters for providing rice and financial support to help me care for my children." (Joachim Pham)



Ngo Huu Cang, center, receives rice and one million dong (\$40) from Theresa Le Minh Thuy, right, a candidate from the Daughters of Our Lady of the Visitation, and a volunteer on Dec. 19. (Joachim Pham)



Daughters of Mary of Immaculate Conception Sr. Mary Theresa Ngo Thi Hong, center, and a volunteer visit a child with leukemia at the Central Hospital in Hue on Dec. 19. (Joachim Pham)



Forty children with learning disabilities attend a Christmas celebration at the convent of the Lovers of the Holy Cross nuns in Thua Thien Hue province on Dec. 17. (Joachim Pham)



Women sell vegetables in rainy, bitter weather along the road to Dong Ba Market in Hue on Dec. 22. Tran Thi Nu, left, said her income dropped significantly due to the low number of buyers. (Joachim Pham)



Lovers of the Holy Cross of Hue Sr. Truong Thi Thanh, left, and a volunteer, right, deliver rice and instant noodles to Le Phu Binh and his wife in Hue on Dec. 17. They became unemployed due to bad weather. (Joachim Pham)



Daughters of Our Lady of the Visitation Sr. Anna Tran Thi Bich Thuy, right, and postulants offer cash, rice and a small nativity scene to Stephanus Duong Quang Vieng, a flood victim, on Dec. 19 in Thua Thien Hue province. (Joachim Pham)