



# Love Sierra Leone News December 2024

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## News from Pastor Yatta

We spoke with Pastor Yatta recently. He is deferring a visit to the UK until 2025 because of increasing tension in the streets of Freetown. He reminded us of the attempted coup in November 2023. The widespread dissatisfaction having arisen through “lack of transparency” with the election held in June 2023.

Pastor Yatta expressed thanks for the medical supplies sent in the summer. These were collected by our Trustee, Ian Gill and comprised perfectly good commonly used medical items that were simply “out of date” by UK standards. We will be looking to grow this resource in 2025.

## Annual Christmas and New Year Appeal

We recently launched our annual Christmas Appeal and so far, we have almost reached 50% of our five thousand pound target. You can donate via the just giving link below and also direct through the Love Sierra Leone website.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/sl24>

After last year's Christmas and New Year meals Pastor Yatta wrote:

*“We held our Christmas feeding programme in January this year. The program was started by the women of the grace Community Church on New Years Day. The had good food, music and dancing. It was a joy for them. A woman by the name of Mrs. Kadiatu Kamara came to say thank you to one of our organisers in tears. They had nothing to eat that day in their home, so this was a huge blessing to her family, and she sent all her 3 children.*

*On the 12th of January 2024 we went to St Andrews school, Maima, Kono. The Children are coming from neighbouring villages up to 3 miles away. This is a village setting and a very poor community. It was difficult to stop people from coming. It was organised for the church children and school. Many of the elderly people came to beg for food. It was a blessing to the children and community. They fed 178 children for which we thank you all!”*

## Pastor Yatta's Prayers for 2025

1. For peace, for stability and for poverty reduction in Sierra Leone.
2. For our churches and for the sports ministry to grow.
3. For funds for the ministry.



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## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MEAL PHOTOGRAPHS 2023/4

