

## Operation Christmas Child ~ Missions Project for Kids

During Summer Adventure Clubs we will be challenging the children to fill or bring in items to fill shoeboxes for children around the world.

### **GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SHOEBOXES:**

*Boxes will be filled according to gender and age (2-4, 5-9, 10-14).*

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Pencil sharpeners, fun erasers, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, SMALL coloring and picture books, glue sticks, flash cards, etc.

**TOYS:** Larger "WOW" toys such as Barbies, baby dolls, medium sized car/truck, deflated soccer balls w/ pump, etc, smaller toys such as small cars, hacky sacks, balls, dolls, small stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, Slinky, small puzzles, paddle balls, stickers, toy jewelry, inflatable beach balls, jump rope, silly putty, small lego set, card games like "Uno", small crafts, play doh, small "travel size" games, etc

**HYGIENE ITEMS:** Toothbrush, bar soap, comb/brush, washcloth, chapstick

**OTHER:** Socks, flip-flops, water shoes, t-shirts, ball caps, sunglasses, bandanas, hair clips and headbands, watches, jewelry, journals, deodorant, etc.

### **PLEASE BE SURE YOUR ITEMS WILL FIT IN A SHOEBOX!**

**DO NOT DONATE:** Toothpaste; used/damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures (squirt guns are ok if they don't look like real guns); food/candy of any kind; liquid or lotions (including body wash, bubbles, nail polish); breakable items; aerosol cans.

**Example of one filled box:** "WOW" item, toothbrush, washcloth, bar of soap, comb or brush, crayons or markers, 2-3 pencils, pencil sharpener, erasers, 1-2 glue sticks, pencil case, small/medium notebook, coloring book, 2-3 smaller toys (bouncy ball, yo-yo, card game), 1-2 sheets of stickers, sunglasses, socks or flip-flops, small craft or puzzle.

Contact the church office at 570-474-0900 for more information.

## **EVERYONE CAN HELP!**

1. Donate items for the boxes by July 31<sup>st</sup>.
2. Sign up to take a shoebox to fill and **return by July 31<sup>st</sup>** (even if unfilled).
3. You can make a donation of \$10 (the cost of shipping one box) or a larger donation to ship multiple boxes. All checks can be written to MFC and "Shoebox Postage" noted on the memo line. Last year we shipped 310 boxes!

Thank you for blessing children around the world!

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