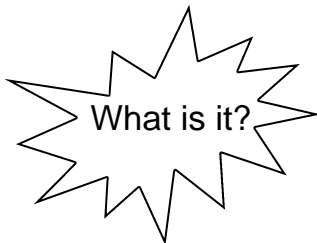




This year the children's Sunday School will be participating in Operation Christmas child and would like to invite you to participate by contributing items & money to help them pack boxes to send to kids in other countries this Christmas.

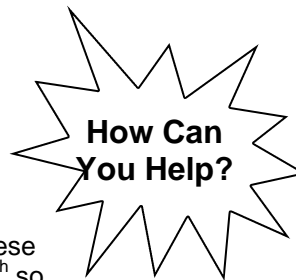


Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the message of God's unconditional love.

Each gift is a special reminder to a child that he or she is loved and often opens doors for Samaritan's Purse to provide other aid.

Operation Christmas Child focuses on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus Christ—God's greatest gift. This project also makes an impact on the people who pack them. Our prayer is that the children will learn in a tangible way how it is greater to give than to receive this Christmas.

We invite you to partner with the children in this project by donating shoe boxes, purchasing items to put in the shoeboxes or by giving money so that items can be purchased for the boxes.



The children will be packing these boxes on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> so please bring your donations in by **Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**.

Please see reverse for a list of suggested items.

## **Suggested Items to Donate**

Toys: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, skipping ropes, etc.

School Supplies: pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or pencil crayons, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, colouring and picture books, etc.

Hygiene Items: toothbrush, mild soap bar (in a plastic bag), comb washcloth, etc.

Other: candy (hard through the centre in packaging), t-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, etc.

## **DO NOT INCLUDE:**

Toothpaste (due to customs regulations)

Liquids or items that leak, melt or freeze—shampoo, gels, paint, cream, lip balm, liquid glue, etc.

Food items (due to shipping regulations)—chewy, soft-centered, crumbly, or unwrapped candy, gum, etc.

Used Items (due to customs regulations)

Breakable items—glass, porcelain, mirrors, etc.

Items that can scare or harm a child—knives, war-related toys, toy guns, etc.



**WE ALSO NEED SHOE BOXES OR PLASTIC BOXES**  
(NOT BIGGER THAN 9x12x5 inches)



Please place all donated items into the collection box that is located in the front entry way of 76 Building.

If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Tanya.