



CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS

Giftng to Kids in the Appalachian Region



We are collecting backpacks and items to go inside for the Christmas Backpack Ministry. We are starting early this year so you can get backpacks and school supplies on sale. There will be a donation area in the front porch bench. We will be collecting until Wednesday, September 30. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Stewart at missionchurchbecky@gmail.com. Thank you!

Collecting for these age groups:

Ages 2-3, Ages 4-7, Ages 8-10, Ages 11-14, Ages 15-17

If filling a backpack or buying items for a backpack, please use tags to identify the gender and age group.

TOYS (NEW) (At least 1 item): Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, Frisbee, card games such as Ol' Maid, Go Fish, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS (At least 2 items): toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (boxed and in a plastic bag), shampoo (**securely sealed & in a plastic bag**) hairbrush, comb, pony tail holders, barrettes, hair clips, washcloth, etc.

OTHER (At least 2 items): Christian books, sunglasses, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

FOOD (At least 2 items): Canned food items with pop-tops (nothing which requires a can opener and **no plastic containers**), protein bars (not granola only), hard candy (**NO chocolate**) and lollipops (**please double bag all candy**), mints, gum,

NO food items with peanut butter or nuts!!!!!!

CLOTHING (At least 2 items. All clothing items must be new with tags/packaging): T-shirts, underwear, socks, warm hat, gloves, scarf, ball cap, fleece pullover, warm outerwear

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Crayola crayons, makers, colored pencils, scissors, glue sticks, construction paper, watercolor set, pencil pouches, composition books, notebooks, pencils, pens, pencil sharpeners, etc.

Additional Ideas to consider for older kids (11-17):

GIRLS: lip gloss, costume jewelry, scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, journals, fun socks & slippers, doodle books, Spirograph kit, feminine hygiene supplies

BOYS: LEGOS®, card games, hand-held electronic games, flashlights (with extra batteries), basketball, soccer ball, NERF™ football

Please do not include any food items that are perishable or can be easily crushed or opened while in transit. Please do not include any knives





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OTHER WAYS TO DONATE:

- Any amount monetary donation: put on memo line of check or envelope, "Christmas Backpacks" or pay on our online giving and use the dropdown for Christmas Backpacks.
- Purchase items on our Amazon Wishlist or Walmart Wishlist. The items will be sent to the church office and will be used to make up the backpacks. Scan QR codes below.



Amazon Wishlist



Walmart Wishlist