



“ Every shoe box offers an opportunity to share the Good News of the Savior with a hurting child. ”

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## how to pack your shoe box

### 1 SHOE BOX

Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or a small plastic container. You can wrap the box (lid separately), but wrapping is not required. Most important, pray for the child who will receive your gift.

### 2 BOY OR GIRL

Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Use the appropriate boy/girl label from this brochure. Mark the correct age category on the label, and tape the label to the top of your box. If you need additional labels, download from our Web site or make copies of brochure labels.

### 3 FILL WITH GIFTS

Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child (see Gift Suggestions).

### 4 INCLUDE YOUR DONATION

Please donate \$7 or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can give online through our EZ Give method. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.

### 5 DROP OFF

Place a rubber band around each closed shoe box and drop off at the Collection Center nearest you during National Collection Week in mid-November. For drop off locations, call 1-800-353-5949, or visit [www.samaritanaspurse.org/occ](http://www.samaritanaspurse.org/occ).

You can also send your shoe box gift to:  
Samaritan's Purse, 801 Bamboo Road, Boone, NC 28607

#### GIFT SUGGESTIONS

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

**TOYS:** small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch® toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky® etc.

**HYGIENE ITEMS:** toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

**OTHER:** hard candy and lollipops, mints, gum (please place all candy in ziploc bag), T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

**A PERSONAL NOTE:** You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

**DO NOT INCLUDE:** Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans



## Use These Labels

Cut out the appropriate label and tape it on top of your shoe box gift. If you need additional labels, make photocopies or download from [www.samaritanaspurse.org](http://www.samaritanaspurse.org).



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## follow your box online

find out the destination of your shoe box by making your donation online at

[www.samaritanaspurse.org/ezgive](http://www.samaritanaspurse.org/ezgive)

#### also online:

- Instructions & printable boy/girl labels
- Seasonal and year-round volunteer opportunities
- Project videos, photos, stories, and more!

## beyond the box

learn more online about Operation Christmas Child evangelism and discipleship programs

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