Suggested items for Operation Christmas Child.

Volunteers for Operation Christmas Child fill shoeboxes with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items. These are delivered to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. Many of these children live in areas devastated by poverty, war and natural disasters; for some the gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

*Please only items in new condition.

TOYS

- Dolls & doll clothes
- Balls
- Puzzles
- Stuffed animals/Beanies
- Happy Meal Toys
- Finger puppets
- Cars/Trucks/Boats
- Plastic dinosaurs / animals
- Yo-Yos
- Small musical instruments
- *Any small toys*

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb or hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Plastic cup, bowl or water bottle
- Blanket
- Compact mirror
- Nail clippers or file
- Stick deodorant

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils
- Pencil sharpener
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Erasers
- Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Solar-powered calculator
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Small Backpacks

CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Shirts and pants
- Dresses
- Underwear
- Socks
- Shoes
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens

- Jackets
- Sunglasses
- Tote bag/purse
- Hair bows
- Jewelry

CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Binoculars
- Chalkboard with chalk
- Kaleidoscope
- Jump rope
- Playing cards
- Marbles
- Coloring books
- Stickers
- Books
- Bibles

Blank greeting cards or Christmas cards. *We try to include a handwritten note in every box to remind the child that they are loved and prayed for.*

- **Anything you think would bring a child joy!**

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING US HELP KIDS

Items we cannot include in shoeboxes:

- Candy
- Toothpaste
- Gum
- Used or damaged items
- Seeds

- Scary or war-related items (toy guns, knives, or military figures)
- Chocolate or food
- Fruit rolls or other fruit snacks
- Drink mixes (powdered or liquid)

- Liquids or lotions
- Medications or vitamins
- Breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers
- Aerosol cans