

# St. John's Operation Christmas Child 2018

## How to Pack a Shoe Box Gift

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### SHOE BOX

Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or get your box from your child's teacher or from the Operation Christmas Child table in the courtyard or foyer of Walker Hall on Sundays.

**PRAY** for the child who will receive your special gift.

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### 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. Cut out the appropriate boy/girl label shown below. Mark the correct age category on the label, and tape the label to the top of your box.

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### FILL WITH GIFTS

Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child.

Use the Gift Ideas List

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### INCLUDE YOUR DONATION

Please donate **\$9** or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can **give online**, or you can write a check to Samaritan's Purse (note "OCC" on memo line) and place it in an envelope on top of the gift items inside your box. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.

It's easy and convenient to give online. Go to [www.samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/occ).

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### DROP OFF

Place a rubber band around each shoe box and if you are a school family, return your filled box to your child's classroom by November 16 for offering in chapel. If you are not a school family, please return your filled box to the Operation Christmas Child table in the Courtyard or foyer of Walker Hall any Sunday before Thanksgiving, or bring it with you to either the Thanksgiving Eve or Thanksgiving Day worship service.

(Nov. 21 - 7pm or Nov. 22 - 9:30am)



### Gift Ideas:

#### TOYS

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

#### 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.

#### HYGIENE ITEMS

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

#### OTHER

T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

#### A PERSONAL NOTE

In a separate envelope, 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:

Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; 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.

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Shoe Box Labels



Mark the correct age category:

2-4 Years Old

5-9 Years Old

10-14 Years Old



**GIRL**



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**BOY**



School Chapel Donation Date: November 14 Last Day for Donations: November 22