



HCA MISSIONS NEWSFLASH

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HOW TO PACK YOUR SHOE BOX

Please read the attached brochure on "How to Pack a Shoebox" to find **ALL** the details you will need to successfully pack a shoebox. Please begin praying as a family for the child who will be receiving your box. Other things to consider...

PLEASE DO

- Do - Include the All About Me Form with a photo (or drawing) of your family or child
- Do - Choose the same sex and age so your child will know what they will like best
- Do - Feel free to have your child include a letter with an addressed return envelope
- Do - Include a \$7 check to cover shipping*
- Do - Place a rubber band around each packed box
- Do - Use a shoe box or plastic box of similar size (with removable lid)
- Do - Pack it as full as you can
- Do - Include extra batteries for toys that need them
- Do - Review the "GIFT SUGGESTIONS" in the "How to Pack a Shoebox" brochure
- Do - Pray for the child who will be receiving your box

PLEASE DO NOT

- Don't - Pack any liquids, lotions or aerosols
- Don't - Pack chocolate, food, candy that can melt or candy that is outdated
- Don't - Pack vitamins or medications
- Don't - Pack military-themed items (toy guns, camo items or toy weapons)
- Don't - Pack items in an extra large box
- Don't - Pack any glass or breakables
- Don't - Just put in a couple of items
- Don't - Put any money in the shoe box
- Don't - Include any used items

* You can also choose to donate the \$7 online and **FOLLOW YOUR BOX AROUND THE WORLD**. Just go to samaritanspurse.org/occ to donate and find out the destination of your shoebox.

THE ALL ABOUT ME FORM

The "All About Me" form is a fantastic way for your HCA student to personalize their shoebox and offer a loving connection to the child receiving their gift. Some students may prefer to write a letter and include a photo or drawing. This is wonderful too. In either case, please include an addressed envelope encouraging the child receiving your gift to send a return letter. Return letters are most special. If you have received a return letter in past years, please contact Mrs. Birge.

ATTEND OUR SPECIAL OCC CHAPEL MONDAY NOVEMBER 14TH

3rd - 5th Graders 8:30 - 9:15

K - 2nd graders 9:30 - 10:05

Remember to have your child bring their shoe box to chapel on Monday for a special treat!
We will also be collecting boxes the rest of the week during morning carpool!