



# CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

## HOW TO PACK A CHRISTMAS BACKPACK

1. Start with a new Backpack
2. Choose gender and age and place appropriate colored ribbons on backpack.  
Girls - pink    Boys - blue    AGE GROUPS: 4-7 Yellow; 8-10 Green; 11-15 Red
3. Fill with new gifts (one or more item from each gift category below).
4. Pray specifically for the child receiving your backpack.
5. Please put a copy of “The Christmas Story” in the backpack.

### GIFT SUGGESTIONS:

1. HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (boxed and in plastic bag), hairbrush, comb, washcloth, ponytail holders, hair clips, etc. PLEASE DO NOT USE TRAVEL SIZE ITEMS.
2. TOYS: Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, small music instruments, yo-yos, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, toys that light up or make noise (include extra batteries), slinky, Frisbee, card games such as Old Maid, Go Fish, UNO, etc.
3. OTHER: Children’s Bible or Teen Bible, hard candy (no chocolate), lollipops (double ball all candy), mints, gum, socks, underwear, t-shirts, hats, sunglasses, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), age appropriate Christian books, etc.
4. FOOD: Use individual food items; cans need to be zip-top for easy opening. Do not include any items containing nuts. Plastic utensils are a great idea. Suggested items: breakfast bars, crackers, small individual meats, soups, fruits, (PopTarts are a favorite) etc.
5. IDEAS FOR OLDER CHILDREN:  
Girls: lip gloss, costume jewelry, fashion scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, journals, fun socks, slippers, doodle books, etc.  
Boys: Legos, card games, hand held electronic games, basketball, football, air pump, Nerf football, etc.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR BACKPACK IS FULL.**

**Any questions, please call Janell (318.315.0744) or Marshall (318.315.0743)**