



**CHRISTMAS
BACKPACKS**
FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

OHIO

KENTUCKY

TENNESSEE

VIRGINIA

Our Goal:

Southern Baptists are challenged to provide 80,000 backpacks for children living in poverty areas in the Appalachian area. Churches and associations will partner with ministries in these regions to impact the lives of children and their families with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

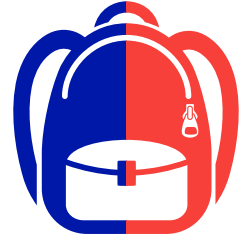
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES VISIT:

christmasbackpacks.org



Share a gift of
LOVE and the
GOSPEL
with a child in need

Christmas Backpacks Gift Suggestions



All zippered backpacks and gifts are to be **NEW** items.

No used items please. For each **NEW** zippered backpack, please include:

- **The Christmas Story**
- **2 ribbons** to indicate gender and age of recipient.
- The 2 ribbons should be tied securely to the backpack. (see the KEY below)

Gender:
Blue= Boy
Pink= Girl

Purple= Ages 2-3
Yellow= Ages 4-7
Green= Ages 8-10
Red= Ages 11-14
White= Ages 15-17

Example: Girl, age 6

1 pink ribbon, 1 yellow ribbon securely tied to the backpack

*"Don't tell me how
much Jesus loves me,
show me how much
Jesus loves me."*

Printables and lists are
available to download at
christmasbackpacks.org

**Fleece Blankets/Cover Ups
for Boys and Girls
of all ages**

Please pack backpacks according to the guidelines below.

Always include a copy of the Christmas Story

TOYS : Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, Frisbee, card games such as Ol' Maid, Go Fish, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS : toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (boxed and in a plastic bag), shampoo (securely sealed & in a plastic bag) hairbrush, comb, pony tail holders, barrettes, hair clips, washcloth, etc.

OTHER : Children's or Teen Bible (KJV, God's Word, or CSB version), age-appropriate Christian books, sunglasses, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

FOOD : Canned food items with pop-tops (nothing which requires a can opener and no plastic containers), protein bars, hard candy (NO chocolate) and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum,
NO food items with peanut butter or nuts).

CLOTHING : **(All clothing items must be new with tags/packaging)** T-shirts, underwear, socks, warm hat, gloves, scarf, ball cap, fleece pullover, warm outerwear

Additional Ideas to consider for older kids (11-17)

GIRLS: lip gloss, costume jewelry, scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, journals, fun socks & slippers, doodle books, Spirograph kit, feminine hygiene supplies

BOYS: LEGOS®, card games, hand-held electronic games, flashlights (with extra batteries), basketball, soccer ball, NERF™ football

**Please do not include any food items that are perishable or can be easily crushed or opened while in transit.
Please do not include any knives.**