



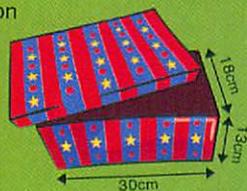
Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project, run by the Christian relief and development organisation Samaritan's Purse.

Our mission is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

The Journey of YOUR shoebox

Make a special connection with a child overseas – give a shoebox gift from your hands into theirs. Here's how it works:

- 1 Wrap your empty **medium** sized shoebox and lid separately.
- 2 Fill it with new gifts, your £3.00 donation and secure it with an elastic band.
- 3 Take it to your nearest Drop Off Point.
- 4 Our UK based volunteers help to send it overseas.
- 5 Our in-country partners (often local churches) give out your shoebox.



We always give shoeboxes to children based on need, regardless of their background or religious beliefs. It's an unconditional gift of love.

Where appropriate, with each shoebox, our church partners may offer a little booklet of Bible stories. They may also invite children receiving shoeboxes to join a discipleship course called *The Greatest Journey*. This is a 'no strings attached' programme and participation is with the consent of their parent or guardian.

Suggested gifts to pack

Please fill your box and select from the following (or similar) ticked items. All items should be new.

- A cuddly toy ✓
- A toothbrush, toothpaste, bar of wrapped soap & flannel ✓
- Note pad, drawing paper, picture and comic books ✓
- Pencils, pens and pencil sharpener ✓
- A set of crayons or felt pens ✓
- A hat, cap, gloves or scarf ✓
- A small ball or tennis ball ✓
- A puzzle (small jigsaw) ✓
- For boys: a toy car, truck, passenger plane or similar and football cards ✓
- For girls: small jewellery set, doll or skipping rope or hair accessories ✓
- A greetings card and / or a photo of yourself ✓
- Wrapped sweets (sell by date must be at least March of the following year) ✓

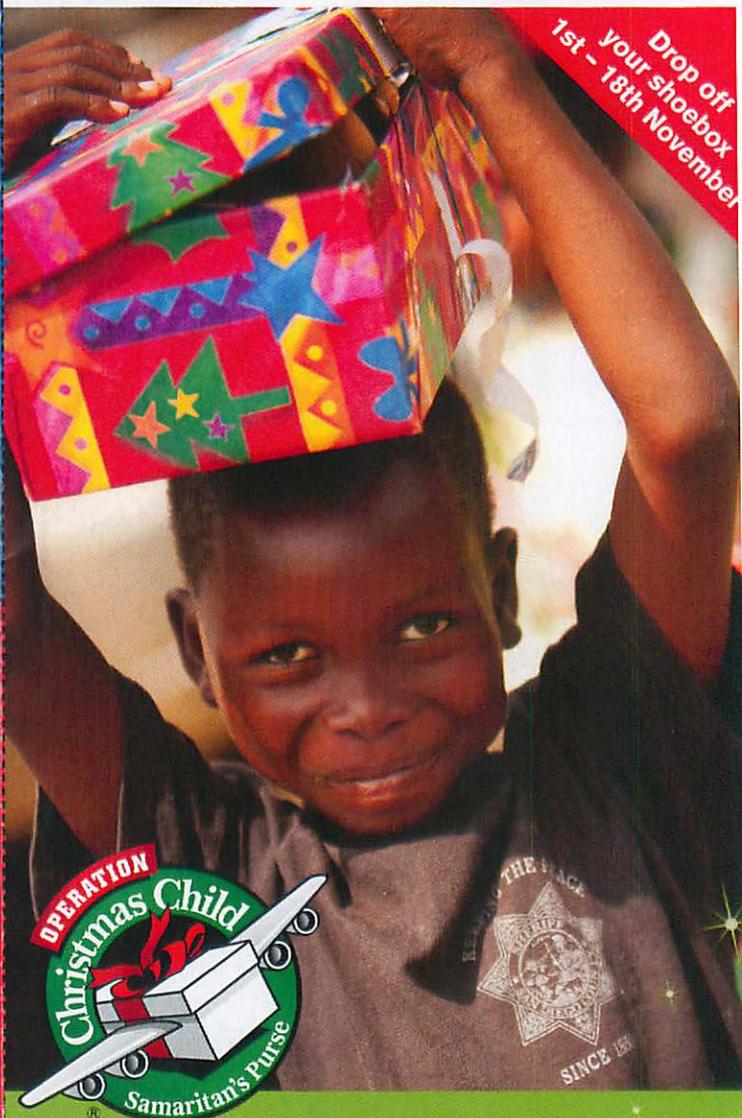
Do not include items from any of the following categories:

- Chocolate or other edible items e.g. crisps, biscuits, tinned food, etc. (due to Customs in receiving countries) ✗
- War related items, e.g. Toy guns, play soldiers or knives ✗
- Clothing (other than as listed above) ✗
- Glass containers, mirrors or fragile items ✗
- Liquids of any type, e.g. Blow bubbles, shower gel, shampoos, toiletry sets ✗
- Marbles or sharp objects ✗
- Anything of a political, racial or religious nature ✗
- Medicines ✗
- Books with many words ✗
- Hand made or knitted stuffed toys ✗



IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DONATE ONLINE, PLEASE PLACE YOUR CASH OR CHEQUE IN THE ENVELOPE BELOW, FOLD THIS FLAP DOWN, LICK IT AND SEAL IT (DO NOT USE STICKY TAPE OR STAPLES). ANY CHEQUES SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO SAMARITAN'S PURSE, SIGNED AND DATED, WITH YOUR ADDRESS WRITTEN ON THE BACK.

Drop off
your shoebox
1st - 18th November



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BOY



My box is for...

- 2-4 years
- 5-9 years
- 10-14 years



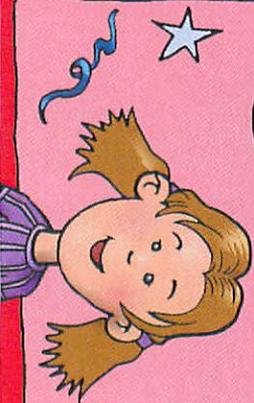
Cut me out and stick me on your shoebox!



GIRL

My box is for...

- 2-4 years
- 5-9 years
- 10-14 years



Cut me out and stick me on your shoebox!

STOP!

CAN YOU DONATE ONLINE? IT WILL MAKE YOUR DONATION GO FURTHER AND WE'LL TELL YOU WHERE YOUR SHOEBOX WENT. GO TO WWW.OPERATIONCHRISTMASCHILD.ORG.UK TO DONATE NOW.

IF YOU CAN'T, THEN PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR DETAILS BELOW AND ENCLOSE THIS ENVELOPE IN YOUR SHOEBOX.