

Metro Ministries of Mobile

September, 2011



Children's Christmas Gifts Ages 8 - 12 years old



1. Take a new clear plastic storage box (about the size of a shoebox)
2. Line inside with red tissue paper girls or green tissue paper for boys
3. Fill with toys, school supplies, pre-wrapped candy or gift items listed below
4. Place the cover on the box. Add a tied ribbon around the box (**no bow**) or use a large rubber band to keep gifts secure in transit.
5. Tape a sticky note outside to indicate age range
6. Send UPS or post office or bring them by the church. Call our office first: 251/433-4343.

For receiving and handling purposes, we need to receive the gifts by Friday, December 2, 2011.

UPS label:

Metro Ministries Christmas Gifts
750 N. Jackson Street
Mobile, AL 36603

Mailing label:

Metro Ministries Christmas Gifts
P.O. Box 317
Mobile, AL 36601



Suggested gift list items:

Individual pre-wrapped candy
Pencils/erasers/pens/sm.ntbks
Markers/colored pencils/stickers
Color bks/crayons/water colors
Toothpaste/brush
Rings or ringpops
Mittens/stocking hat/scarf/ socks
Portable CD players
Black gospel CD
Miniature toys
Small children's Bible
Christmas gospel portions

Dear friends,

We are excited about our 23rd Christmas season to bless Mobile's inner city kids. It always amazes me how generous all of you have been through the years. Because of your generosity, we will be distributing the gift boxes in about 14 weeks! Can you believe it? You are a big part of our volunteer support team during the Christmas season. The gifts you provide really demonstrates the love of Jesus. We thank you so much for your sacrifice. Again this year we will bless other ministries with gifts who are doing similar Christmas outreaches in other areas of our city.



Thank you for remembering our format is a clear plastic storage box the same size as a shoe box. With many children, it keeps the gifts uniform.



We receive a lot of positive feedback from many who regularly participate in the Christmas gift box project. It blesses them and gets everyone in the Christmas spirit and focuses them on the best gift of all: Jesus. Many of the children we blessed twenty three years ago are now in their late 20's and 30's with their own families. Thanks for helping us bless many children again this year.



Listening to the Christmas story from the Bible...

Thanks for caring and sharing,

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"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew 1:21