

# Item List for the Christmas Backpacks

Collection Sunday is October 15 during both AM gatherings.



The following items are **REQUIRED** for each backpack (please be sure they are age-appropriate):

- Underclothes and socks
- Toys  
*Examples: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, small musical instruments, yo-yos, jump ropes, toy jewelry, flashlight (include batteries), Christian books, sidewalk chalk, toys that light up or make noise (include batteries), Slinky, frisbees, card games, etc.*
- Non-perishable food items  
*Examples: cheese and/or peanut butter crackers, single-serving macaroni & cheese or pasta cups, fruit or applesauce cups, granola bars, pop-top entrees (chili, beef stew, lasagna, beef & franks, etc.)*

**Optional extra items that may be included:**

- School supplies  
*Examples: pens, pencils (include a sharpener), crayons, markers, stamps and ink pads, writing pads, paper, solar-powered calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.*
- Hygiene Items  
*Examples: toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, hairbrushes, combs, washcloths, ponytail holders, hair clips, etc.*
- Other items  
*Examples: age-appropriate Bibles, hard candy (no chocolate), lollipops, mints, gum, t-shirts, hats, etc.*

**Additional optional items for older children (ages 10-14):**

- For girls: lip gloss, scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, journals, fun socks/slippers, doodle books, etc.
- For boys: Legos, card games, hand-held electronic games, model kits, basketballs, soccer balls, nerf footballs, etc.