

# 6 IDEAS FOR FAMILY IMPACT WITH OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child as a family and double your impact. Teach your children about caring for others as your family extends God's love to a boy or girl in need.



## **1. GIVE THANKS**

Thank God for the many ways He has blessed your family. Then talk about sharing the message of Jesus with a boy or girl in need through an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift.



## 2. SET A SHOEBOX GOAL

Decide how many shoeboxes you want to fill. Will the gifts follow a theme? Will your kids help pay for the gifts? What special things do you want to put in your boxes?



## **3. GO SHOPPING**

Go shopping as a family to pick out the gifts you want to put in your shoebox. Consider making it a race. Can you fill your box—within budget—in 10 minutes or less?



#### 4. PERSONALIZE IT

Write a note and include a photo of your family in your shoebox. Have your kids include a "Let's Be Friends" coloring page from our website: samaritanspurse.ca/occ.



## 5. VISIT THE POST OFFICE

Teach your kids about the \$10 donation for shipping and other ministry expenses. Find out how much it would cost to send a shoebox to another country.



#### 6. EMPHASIZE PRAYER

Pray before, during, and after packing your shoebox. Ask God to use your gift to open doors for sharing God's love and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

# HOW TO PACK YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT





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