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November 5, 2009



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**



This project from Samaritan's Purse enables each one of us to share the good news of Jesus Christ with children around the world.

**We will be collecting your completed boxes from November 9 - 13, 2008.** Please see the list for gift suggestions and note the following:

Please prepare a box for either a girl or a boy ages 2 to 14 years old and be sure that the appropriate label is placed on the outside of the box marked with the correct age category. Feel free to copy the label if you are preparing more than one box.

Please enclose an envelope in your box with a check made payable to Samaritan's Purse for \$7 to help cover shipping and other costs. If your family is completing more than one box, please make one combined donation. You may also donate online at [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org).

**TOYS**

small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

**HYGIENE ITEMS**

toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

**OTHER**

Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

**A PERSONAL NOTE**

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

**DO NOT INCLUDE:**

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans

Last year, we collected 150 boxes! It would be such a blessing to match or exceed that number this year! If you have any questions, please contact Jay and Lena O'Neill at (410) 638-6881.

**ENCOURAGING**

**SERVANT-LEADERSHIP**

I have said it many times but it bears repeating: New Covenant Christian School is a wonderful place to be! In the past week I have been contacted by no fewer than 5 people who are collecting for/or serving others. This group includes 3 of our sixth grade girls, preschool parents, the upper school and grammar school parents. What an example this proves for our children! Please pray to see how your family can participate in any of these service projects.

**ANNA'S HOUSE SUPPLY AND BOOK DRIVE**



Anna's House offers transitional and permanent housing for homeless women and their children in Harford County.

**OUR 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS' BIBLE STUDY GROUP IS COLLECTING SUPPLIES AND BOOKS FOR ANNA'S HOUSE. PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

Personal Hygiene Item: Bodywash, Deodorant, Hand Soap, Toothpaste, Facial Cleanser

Laundry Detergent

Dish Detergent

Dish Washer Detergent

Trash Bags

Paper Towels

Toilet Paper

Paper Plates

Napkins

Cleaning Supplies: Dusting Spay, Windex, Clorox Cleanup, Sponges, Magic Erasers

**We are also looking for books (NEW OR GENTLY USED) appropriate for ages 2-9.**

Thank you,

Kristy O'Neill

Volunteer for Student Ministries at Mountain Christian Church



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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The VanBemmel family. Their new baby is due in just one week!
- A few NCCS families are suffering through the loss of jobs. Please pray that God will sustain them and they will feel His presence as they go through this difficult time. Pray also that they will find jobs close to home.
- Pray for our second grade student Macey Brietenback. Pray specifically that her large intestines functions properly.

**DROP OFF is at 8:10. Our teachers need the time in the morning to prepare for their day with your children. Please do not drop off students until 8:10. Thank you!**

**Would you like a great Christmas gift for your loved ones? The 5th grade is selling scented candles from Gold Canyon through 11/18/09. The proceeds for this sale will help defray the cost of their big trip to Virginia. Interested? See a 5th grader!**



NCCS has used the sanctuary at St. Matthew Lutheran Church for several years for our annual Christmas program. Our volleyball and basket ball team pay only a nominal fee to use their gym as our home court. Our Upper School Campus makes use of the beautiful facility at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

Both of these churches house food banks for people in need and have asked for our help. St. Matthew does not rent their space to us; they ask instead that we pay them in canned goods!!! How wonderful is that? I would ask that you look at the following list and begin bringing cans in as soon as possible. Let's fill their pantries to the brim! Labeled boxes will be placed in the hall just inside our front door.



These items are particularly needed:

Peanut butter/jelly

Canned meat (tuna, chicken)

Canned fruit/vegetables

Canned soup                      bottled juice                      mac and cheese mix

Pasta    stuffing

Spaghetti sauce                      gravy

Instant potatoes                      store bought cookies

Cereal    cranberry sauce

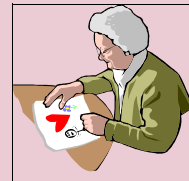
IMPORTANT DATES

- **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6**– END OF 1ST QUARTER– **12:00 DISMISSAL FOR GRADES 1-6. NO ECP.**
- **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**– H1N1 NASAL MIST DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE WITH SIGNED CONSENT FORMS
- **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**– REPORT CARDS DISTRIBUTED
- **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9-13**– **BOOK FAIR** LAMPLIGHTER AND USBORNE BOOKS FOR SALE 8:30-3:00 Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.; 8:30-4:00 Thurs.; 7:00-8:30 PM Wed.

Come and do your Christmas Shopping!

**NOVEMBER 16-20**– **AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

- **16**– PRESCHOOL 4'S GRANDPARENTS DAY
- **17**– GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRANDPARENTS DAY
- **18-19**– PARENT VISITATION



REMEMBER TO INVITE GRANDPARENTS!

*Pre-School*

*Service Project*

**Crisis Pregnancy Center**



**Alpha's Glory Needs:**

**New or gently used Baby clothes under 24 months**

**Diapers sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6**

**Wipes**

**Other baby toiletries**

**Now through November 20th**

**Drop off items outside pre-school**



**Alpha's Glory**

**Affirming Life in Jesus' Name!**

Contact Lisa Brown

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# Heirs of the Inheritance

Orphan Care Ministry of New Covenant Presbyterian Church presents:

*A One Day Adoption, Foster, and Orphan  
Care Workshop  
November 7, 2009 9:00 - 2:30*

## OUR MISSION

*As covenant believers, we believe that every life is precious and that it is the call of the Church to care for orphans. In helping to facilitate adoptions and foster care and by supporting adoption as a congregation, we are not only taking part in the Right to Life movement, but we are extending the blessings of the Kingdom to the little ones that are grafted into our body.*

## OUR GOAL

*It is our desire to serve our congregation and the local Body of Christ by providing information, dispelling myths, and encouraging a culture of adoption among our members.*

## Agencies Represented:

- Children's Choice
- Arrow Ministries
- Adoptions Together
- America World Adoption Agency
- Bethany Christian Services

## Information from:

- Harford County Department of Social Services
- Christian World Adoption International
- Dillon International
- Gladney Center
- Life Line Children's Services

## SCHEDULE

9:00-9:30 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

9:30-10 **Christian Perspective on Adoption**  
Shane Lankford  
Sanctuary

10-10:30 **Myths and FAQ**  
Wendy Lankford  
Sanctuary

10:30-11 **Book and Information Fair**  
Gym

11-12 **Adoption Stories**  
Personal Testimonies of Adoptive Families  
Sanctuary

12-1 **Lunch**  
On your own  
Book and Information Fair Open  
Gym

1-1:30 **Panel Discussion**  
Families from different adoptive/foster experiences  
Sanctuary

1:30-2 **Closing Remarks**  
David Barker  
Sanctuary

2-2:30 **Orphan Project**  
Acoustic Concert  
Sanctuary

Please respond to Wendy Lankford at 443-866-0928.

Childcare will not be provided.

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