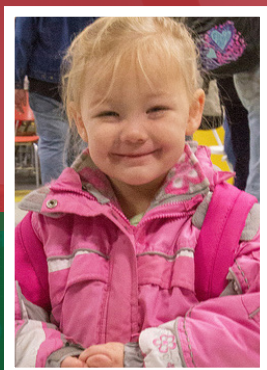


CHRISTMAS
BACKPACKS
FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS



for children
and teens in
Appalachia and
Georgia

Our Goal:



Georgia Baptists are challenged to provide **25,000** backpacks for children in Appalachia and Georgia through partnerships with churches and Georgia Baptist associations.

For more information and resources, visit:

gabaptist.org/backpacks

Share a gift of
LOVE and
the
GOSPEL
with a child in need.



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Christmas Backpacks Gift Suggestions

All zippered backpacks and gifts are to be **NEW** items. No used items please.

For each NEW zippered backpack, please include:

- **The Christmas Story (will be mailed to registering organizations)**
- **2 ribbons** to indicate gender and age of recipient.
- The 2 ribbons should be tied securely to the backpack. (see the KEY below)

Gender:	Age:	
Blue = Boy	Purple = Ages 2-3	Green = Ages 8-10
Pink = Girl	Yellow = Ages 4-7	Red = Ages 11-14
		White = 15-17

Printables and lists are available
to download at
gabaptist.org/backpacks

Example: Girl, age 6

1 pink ribbon, 1 yellow ribbon securely tied to the backpack

Please pack backpacks according to the guidelines below.

Christmas Story (will be mailed to registering organizations)
Always include a copy of the Christmas Story

TOYS (At least 1 item): Small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, Frisbee, card games such as Ol' Maid, Go Fish, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS (At least 2 items): Toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (boxed and in a plastic bag), shampoo (securely sealed & in a plastic bag) hairbrush, comb, pony tail holders, barrettes, hair clips, washcloth, etc.

OTHER (At least 2 items): Children's or Teen Bible (KJV, God's Word, or CSB version), age-appropriate Christian books, sunglasses, toy jewelry, watches, or flashlights (with extra batteries).

FOOD (At least 2 items): Canned food items with pop-tops (nothing which requires a can opener and no plastic containers), protein bars, hard candy (NO chocolate) and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, or gum.
(NO food items with peanut butter or nuts.)

CLOTHING (At least 2 items. All clothing items must be new with tags/packaging): T-shirts, underwear, socks, warm hat, gloves, scarf, ball cap, fleece pullover, warm outerwear, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: School supplies are welcome, but not all sites need school supplies. If you are partnering with a site, please check with the organization regarding the type of school supplies that are needed.

Additional Ideas to consider for older kids (11-17):

GIRLS: Lip gloss, costume jewelry, scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, card games, hand-held electronic games, journals, fun socks & slippers, doodle books, Spirograph kit, or feminine hygiene supplies.

BOYS: LEGOS®, card games, hand-held electronic games, journals, flashlights (with extra batteries), basketball, soccer ball, or NERF™ football.

Please do not include any food items that are perishable or can be easily crushed or opened while in transit.
Please do not include any knives.



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Adapted from a Suggested Items List prepared by the Georgia Baptist Women: WMU and Women's Ministry.