



Rounding up Hats and Mittens

We've been working on knitting and crocheting hats and mittens for some months now, and it's time to "harvest the fruit" of our labor. If you've been working on kids hats and/or mittens (scarves, too, if that was your choice), it's time to turn them in.



Deadline for rounding up the warm stuff is **Thursday, December 2**, the day of our next regular Missions meeting. Once collected, everything will be distributed to area Head Start centers.

If you've been meaning to jump into this project and need patterns, let Penny Harrison know as she's willing to share. ~;<

November Project - Shoebox Project

A "Kid-to-Kid Mission," this is

Operation Christmas Child through Samaritan's Purse

Collection Week is November 15 - 22



More commonly known as the "Shoebox Project," this is an exciting popular project that enables kids to give Christmas presents to kids. The recipe is one kid, one shoebox, a list of inexpensive items to fill it, one letter and one photo. The kids who give, love it, and the kids who receive are often getting their first present --ever.

This is a great opportunity for kids to experience "giving" in his purest

form, but it can be expensive for a family's budget: \$\$ for shopping and \$7 in shipping fees.

PCN's Missions group has pledged to provide the \$7 shipping for any and all boxes produced for this cause. That still leaves many kids without \$\$ to shop with. Can you help? Last year's experience showed that \$10 per kid helped tremendously. Even \$5 per kid would make the experience more reachable. If you can help, please see Penny Harrison. Deadline for this project is Sunday, November 14.

One more thing: Last year, we opted for tracking on the 16 boxes we shipped. Our kids learned their gifts went to kids in Madagascar and the Ukraine. --How cool is that?

For more information on this project and its world-wide impact, go to:

<http://www.samaritanpurse.org/index.php/OCC/index/>

Samaritan's Purse has an awesome website!

December Project - Crisis Care Kits

Worth their Weight in Gold When They're Needed!

We've seen the need for and the relief on the faces of the people who benefit from these small kits of personal hygiene products.

While Crisis Care Kits (CCKs) are a traditional January focus, we're starting a month early. (It can't hurt!) We're aiming for at least 18 CCKs, but it'd be a bonafide miracle if we could produce 24. Six CCKs to a banana box is our measuring stick.

One nice "break" with this project is that we can avoid shipping fees by having our banana boxes ready to transport to TEAM Day in Perry on Saturday, February 26. That saves us \$20+ per box!

NOW is a great time to start picking up CCK items. Depending upon where you shop, each kit requires about \$20 in purchase power. If that hits your budget too hard, consider doing this project with a friend, or even two friends, and pool your efforts.

A Crisis Care Kit is one of the surest investments in missions work that you can make. It will definitely be needed by someone --somewhere in the world-- probably sooner than later. Below is the shopping list.



Crisis Care Kits Inventory

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| 1 12-18 oz. bottle of shampoo
<i>(Please tape flip tops closed.)</i> | 1 fingernail clipper |
| 2 bars of soap, bathsize or larger | 1 sturdy hair comb |
| 1 medium toothpaste (4.0-6.4 oz) | 2 hand towels |
| 3 toothbrushes | 4 pocket-size pkgs of facial tissue |
| 1 box of Band-aids (30 or more) | 1 Beanie Baby-size stuffed toy |
- All in a 2-gallon Zip-Loc bag*--

*Missions Group already has 2-gallon Zip-Loc bags on hand.

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Our 2010-2011 missionary family is David, Kim, Jonathan and Joy Hane in the Asia Pacific Region. Their address: 460 Corporation Road, #07-02 Parc Vista, Singapore 649815.

Our 2010-2011 retired missionaries are Bob and Bessie Black, who are veterans of the mission field in Papua, New Guinea. Their current address is 7 Basor Lane, Vella Vista, AR 72715.