



Your sponsored family loves hearing from you!

The letters and cards are saved and are often showed to us when we visit a family's home. Remember that quality is better than quantity as often there is not a lot of space in a family's home.

Care packages can be sent to Ethiopia twice a year.

Cards and/or letters can be sent the other two times making it four times a year that you can connect with your sponsored child!



The most important piece in your care package is the encouragement that you put in the letter or card you send.

Your words of hope and life show your child that they are worthy to be loved and cared for.





Instructions

Your care package items need to fit in a gallon bag that **zips closed** without the use of tape or rubber bands.

Please make sure there is a good seal (not overstuffed) so it won't burst open in transit. Nothing is to be taped to the outside of it.

Please mark your sponsored child's name on the front of the bag (or on paper inside that is visible)

What to include in your care package?

Small lightweight items are best! Think of quality instead of quantity as many families do not have space to store things. Personal items that are connected to your family are meaningful. You can get a shirt with your hometown, business, church, or school!

Please include a card/letter or picture of your family. This connection between you and your family is the most important part! Share about your family, your state, what you enjoy doing for fun. Use clip art to show where you live in America. Share a favorite bible verse or poem or what you are learning about in your life!

Do NOT send:

- liquid items
- books or notebooks
- large bags of candy
- soap, deodorant or toothpaste
- playing cards
- glow sticks

We have to remove items not allowed so please follow these recommendations!

Your package should not include money, your email, last name or your address in your card/letter.

Ideas

Babies & Toddlers

outfit
age appropriate toy (no battery ones)
small ball (not choking size)
hat
small stuffed animal (no dogs)
receiving blanket
“Green” brand toys last a long time

Elementary School Age

t-shirt
hair items for girls
hats for boys
matchbox cars
small balls
school supplies such as pencils, markers, crayons
fabric pencil cases
simple toys such as jump ropes
small dolls
sport sack bags

Teenagers

nice shirt
deflated soccer ball with pump
gum or hard candy-small bag only
small flashlight
pencils and pens
hair items for girls
lightweight umbrella
lightweight bags/purse

No time to put one together? We will do it for you!

Just donate \$20 with the QR code below or text HHGIFTS to 41444 for the link.



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