



Crossing Borders Ministries



Christmas Shoebox Gift Drive

CBM has been distributing Christmas gifts to impoverished children in Mexico since 2001. These shoeboxes gifts go to multiple locations through a network of pastors and missionaries who minister in Mexico. These pastors in the El Paso/Juarez Lower Valley bring us the names of children in their churches & communities who are really in need. The kids who receive these gifts would have nothing for Christmas except for all of us working together.

Please note, we are not part of Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Do not use their boxes or labels for our shoebox gifts.

Thank you in advance for joining us in this ministry effort!

HOW TO MAKE A CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX

FIRST: Line a plastic shoebox so that the contents are not visible. If you can see through the lid, make sure your lining covers the contents. Bandanas work great for this, as does colored tissue paper or bandana-sized squares of fabric.

NEXT: Decide who you want to make the gift for a Boy (Niño) or Girl (Niña). Choose one of the following age groups:
Toddler aged 1-2 Child aged 3-5 Child aged 6-8 Youth aged 9-12 Youth aged 13-16

FINALLY: Fill the shoebox with **NEW** toys and other items a child might need and enjoy! Use a large rubber band to keep your box closed. When your box is ready, put your label with Boy or Girl and age on the **END** of the box.



Must-Have in every box: Toothbrush, toothpaste, wrapped hard candy (don't put any loose unwrapped food in boxes)

ADD EXTRA GOODIES SUCH AS: Sunglasses, small flashlight with extra batteries, baseball caps, knit/stretch caps and gloves, hair clips or ribbons, inexpensive jewelry or watch, "footies" or socks, gum packets, lip balm, watercolors, art marker sets, craft/art set (NOT school supplies)

IDEAS FOR TODDLERS: sippy cup, flatware for little hands, underwear, socks, cap, sweater, age-safe blocks or toys, baby crackers or snacks

IDEAS FOR YOUNGER KIDS: Play-Doh, stuffed animal, doll with clothes, Lego blocks, farm or jungle animals set, small cars and trucks, marbles or jacks, big box of crayons and coloring book, Slinky, stickers or decals

IDEAS FOR OLDER KIDS: simple craft kit or supplies, Slinky, silly-putty, harmonica, yo-yo, pocket games or puzzles, mp3/radio with batteries, personal hygiene items (not razors!), comb or hairbrush, Bible or book in Spanish, boys like tool kits & Nerf stuff, girls like nail polish & lip gloss

Do Not Include: Bar Soap (even baggies don't keep it from ruining candy!), real money, school supplies, soft candy that easily melts, materials in English, anything Halloween, cap guns, knives, military-themed toys, liquid items (they can ruin your gift!)

WAYS TO GET BOXES TO US

Shoeboxes need to be in Fabens by
November 30

No one is at the church all the time so
call ahead before delivering:
915-491-7528

If shipping boxes by **US Post Office:**
Box 35
Fabens, TX 79838

If shipping by **UPS:**
408 Mike Maros St (a home)
Fabens, TX 79838



Crossing Borders is a ministry operating out of First Baptist Church of Fabens, founded and operated by missionaries Elfi Register and Joan Wilson.

Gifts for Crossing Borders are tax deductible. Make checks out to: **Fabens First Baptist Church**

in the memo portion note that your gift is for: Crossing Borders ♦ Elfi ♦ Joan

Send to: Crossing Borders Ministries ♦ PO Box 35 ♦ Fabens, TX 79838 ♦ Thank you for your continued prayer & support!

915-491-7528 ♦ email: CrossingBorder@aol.com ♦ website: crossingbordersministries.com



Niño (Boy)
1 - 2 años (yrs.)

Niña (Girl)
1 - 2 años (yrs.)

Niño (Boy)
3 - 5 años (yrs.)

Niña (Girl)
3 - 5 años (yrs.)

Niño (Boy)
6 - 8 años (yrs.)

Niña (Girl)
6 - 8 años (yrs.)

Niño (Boy)
9 - 12 años (yrs.)

Niña (Girl)
9 - 12 años (yrs.)

Niño (Boy)
13 - 16 años (yrs.)

Niña (Girl)
13 - 16 años (yrs.)