

# SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS



## "WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

## TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



## PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



## ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



## DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans



## "Through your prayers

and generosity, we're sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Be sure to make your shoebox gift unique and include a letter and photo—those personal touches can mean so much to a child."

—Franklin Graham,  
President, Samaritan's Purse



## A New Beginning for Génesis



In the mountains of Ecuador, 8-year-old Génesis was invited to an Operation Christmas Child outreach event by her cousin. There she heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ clearly presented and was surprised with her first gift ever—a shoebox filled with a stuffed animal, doll, and her favorite toys. Even “the box itself made me very happy,” said Génesis.

At the event, she also accepted Jesus Christ into her heart! “I have a new friend,” said Génesis. “I am happy for the opportunity I had to come here. I have learned about God and received a shoebox. He is my Savior.”

Génesis went home and told her mother, who was sick with COVID-19, about Jesus. As a result, both of her parents came to faith in Christ! The family was also grateful to God for her mother's full recovery.

Génesis went on to participate in The Greatest Journey, the follow-up discipleship program designed especially for shoebox recipients, where she learned more about following Christ and sharing Him with others.

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