

Quad Cities Christmas Shoebox Ministry

As we reach out with the Gospel in the Quad Cities area, God has opened up ministry in two different apartment complexes in need of the message of



Christ. One is the Century Woods Apartments in Rock Island and the other is Diana Courts Apartment complex in East Moline. Both of these places are low-income housing and are in need of the



love and message of Jesus Christ. Many of the residents of both of these communities are Muslim immigrants and refugees that have come from many different African nations, as well as from Iraq, Burma, and other places around the world. There were many children who attended some Bible Clubs we had during the summer. Connections have been made with some of the parents and other adults who live there.

This past winter we had a shoebox Christmas party at each complex giving



away over 180 boxes. (You can watch a video about last year's outreach on pray4theqca.com) It was an amazing outreach with the love of God and the message of Jesus. If you would like to be involved with this year's Gospel outreach, begin praying now for



these children and adults and start collecting items using the suggestions on the second page. If you or your church are already doing a shoebox ministry, please continue in that ministry.



If you plan to be involved in this shoebox ministry please contact Jon and he will give you more information. Please look at the second page for gift ideas and other information. Thank you for praying for and supporting this great outreach.



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CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

(It is okay to give items that do not fit inside a shoebox)

Soccer ball * Football * Basketball (We will supply the air pump)

Doll * Small stuffed animal

Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder.)

Backpack * Toy truck or boat

Pencils * Small manual pencil sharpener * Colored pencils

Pencil case * Pens * Crayons * Markers

Notebooks * Blank index cards

Safety (blunt tip) scissors * Ruler * Glue stick

Foam ball * Yo-yo * Small Frisbee

Hat * Scarf * Mittens

Candy (make sure there are no pork products in the candy)

Child's toothbrush * Toothpaste

Other items you feel are appropriate

DO NOT INCLUDE

Used or damaged items;

war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures;

liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins;

breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Please indicate if the gift is for a girl or boy and approximate age group.

We will put the Gospel in each shoebox.

Pack your cardboard or plastic shoebox the best you are able.

We have a local church who will be wrapping all the shoeboxes so please feel it necessary to wrap the gift. Please do not seal up the shoebox.

For shoeboxes coming from outside of the Quad Cities area, please contact Jon Sedgwick.

Many shoeboxes will be picked up from Southeast Missouri at Thanksgiving.



Go to Pray4theQCA.com for more information
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