

## **Backpacks For Appalachia**

(Age divisions are 1-3, 4-7, 8-10, 11-14, 15-17)  
Deadline to return to the church is December 1, 2024  
Deadline to turn in at WBA is December 2-4, 2024

What goes in the backpack?

Each zippered backpack should contain at least one item from each category below:

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** | School supplies such as crayons, notebook paper, pencils (with sharpener), pens, folders, erasers, rulers, markers, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, writing pads etc.

**CLOTHING** | Small items of NEW clothing such as winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear, T-shirts, hats sunglasses.

**FOOD** | Small pop-top canned food such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit.

**TOYS** | At least one NEW, age-appropriate non-breakable toy. small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, small music instruments, yo-yo, jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, toys that light up or make noise (include extra batteries).

**HYGIENE ITEMS** | Hygiene items including toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, brush or comb, shampoo, pony tail holders, hair clips, etc.

**BIBLES** | A children's Bible or New Testament or age appropriate Christian books.

**CANDY** | Fresh, wrapped candy (NO chocolate), lollipops, mints, gum, (Double bag all candy).

### **Ideas for Older Kids (10-15)**

**Girls:** Lip gloss, costume jewelry, scarves, friendship bracelets, craft kits, journals, fun socks and slippers, doodle books, etc.

**Boys:** Legos, card games, hand held electronic games, basketball, soccer ball, nerf football, etc.

### **Before returning:**

Tie a BLUE Ribbon on backpacks for BOYS.

Tie a PINK Ribbon on backpack for GIRLS.

**Use sticky label on tag and highlight age group.**