

Items to Bring to Annual Conference for Day of Service Projects

This is an excellent time to involve your entire congregation as you connect with other United Methodist Churches to make a difference in the lives of those who need our love and support.

CARE PACKAGES FOR TROOPS

Packages may include:

- Letters of support
- Canned food/fruit (pop top cans are best)
- Microwaveable foods like soup, mac-n-cheese, etc.
- Candy: Individually wrapped hard candy, Lifesavers, Jolly Ranchers, M&Ms, Skittles, peppermints, Certs, Tic-tacs.
- Snacks: gum, trail mix, granola bars, boxed cookies, Lance crackers, nuts, popcorn, Pringles chips
- Slim Jims, jerky, pre-cooked vacuum packed meats and canned chicken/tuna—no pork
- Coffee, cocoa, tea, or hot cider mix
- Drink Mixes – Single serve packets of the following: Kool-Aid, Gatorade, Crystal Lite, Tang, etc.
- Hair brushes
- DVD's/CD's
- Deodorant
- Shampoo, lotions, disposable razors
- Feminine hygiene products for female soldier
- Beanie Babies, etc-for the soldiers to pass out as good will gifts to the local children
- Softball gloves, softballs, Frisbees, other small outdoor activity items
- Gallon Ziploc bags to pack items for shipping

Other items or personal toiletries that would benefit a soldier.

SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS

- 1 pair blunt scissors
 - 3 pads of loose leaf paper
 - 1 30-centimeter ruler
 - 1 hand-held pencil sharpener
 - 6 unsharpened pencils
 - 1 eraser
 - 1 box of 24 crayons
 - 1 composition notebook
- Place all items in a Ziploc bag and bring to Annual Conference.

HOMELESS SHELTER PACKS

Please bring trial-sized personal items such as toothbrush/toothpaste, deodorant, comb, brush, soap, and white athletic socks. These should be packed in a plastic Ziploc bag and brought to Annual Conference.

PRAYER BEARS FOR KIDS

New stuffed teddy bears or other safe cuddly toy (it should not have parts that are easily pulled off or would otherwise be unsafe). These bears will be blessed and given to children who are in Florence area hospitals.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

(These should include canned goods and packed, dry non-perishable foods such as rice, beans/peas, etc.) These items will be collected and distributed to local food banks.