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**Here's what you can do with your 'nice & naughty' list!**

### **Call[s] to Action:**

- Accept Jesus as your one and only savior.
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### 1. Shoes for WaterStep

We are collecting old shoes for WaterSteps Ministry. (formerly Edge Outreach) These shoes help fund clean water all over the world. So, clean out your closets and if you have any shoes that you don't need anymore and would like to help save lives then bring them with you to Phos any time between now and December 23. Water Steps receives more money for the shoes if they are paired up, so if you have pairs and can zip tie them together that would be great!

### 2. Food Baskets for Blessing in a Backpack Families

We have an ongoing ministry with Buckner Elementary School to provide 9 families with food for their children on the weekends throughout the year. We would like to do something extra special for those families this Christmas. Kimberly Flanders has worked on a list of things we would like for the Phos Community to provide in baskets. We will be packaging the baskets on December 16 during the services.

#### List of Needs for everyone to bring: (Please bring items by December 16)

36 canned goods (ex. green beans)  
36 boxed goods (ex. instant potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese)  
9 bags of sugar  
9 bags of Flour  
9 Larger jars of Peanut Butter  
18 Loaves of Bread (Bring in December 16 fresh)  
Children's books  
Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Laundry Soap

Provided by Phos Mission Budget\*: Ham, Milk, Apples, and Potatoes

Stop by in the lobby today to sign up for items to bring so we don't have duplicates. Don't forget to add a little extra to your tithe for the Mission Budget.

### 3. Adopt a Phos Family

Within our own body we have a lot of families in need this Christmas. If you are interested in adopting a Phos family by providing a meal and/or gifts please see Meredith Lewis ([Meredith@PhosChurch.com](mailto:Meredith@PhosChurch.com)), Erin Guthrie, or Theresa Stewart for more details.

### 4. Pack Oldham County Food Baskets

Wednesday December 19 at 6:00 PM, we will help assist the South Oldham Inter Church Council with the packaging of over 300 food baskets for families in need this Christmas in Oldham County. Meet at the Old Beards buliding next to The Bank of Oldham County on 146. Dress warm! If you would like to bring can goods for this as well as the Blessings in Backpack families that is great!!! The items needed are similar.

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