

## BACKYARD MINISTRIES

In partnership with our sister church, Christ's Family Church, we have established a new ministry to reach out to those in need by providing basic household goods. This ministry began in response to immediate needs that have risen for household goods on short notice. We have an enclosed space in which to store furniture and home goods so that when the need arises, we have inventory to offer. Most of our recipients are referrals from Sonshine Ministry, Safe Families, Hope at the Brick House and school counselors. We believe that all of our clients are deserving of dignity, respect and privacy.

Currently we are accepting:

Furniture: Sofas, love seats, chairs, recliners, bed frames (full and twin), night stands, and dressers, table lamps, clocks and book shelves, kitchen tables and chairs. (if space is available)

Linens: towels, sheet sets (full and twin), blankets, bed spreads, mattress pads (twin and full), shower curtains and rods, new pillows

Appliances: small appliances only- toasters, toaster ovens, hand mixers, blenders, coffee pots, fans.

Misc: pots and pans, dishes, silverware, kitchen towels, hot pads, baking dishes, bowls, can openers, kitchen tools

We are not accepting clothing, king-size beds/bedding, hide-a-beds, used pillows or mattresses, TVs, any large or heavy entertainment systems, No large appliances. We also cannot take car seats, cribs or strollers that have been recalled or expired.

We also have a limited amount of space, so some items may be turned down due to lack of storage space.

We ask that all furniture be clean, free of rips and tears, free of pet hair and stains, and smoke smells.

We have New Testament Bibles for recipients and small stuffed animals/dolls for children to love.

If anyone is downsizing or just cleaning out and have any appropriate items to donate, please consider this ministry. Because we are not registered as a non-profit, we are unable to offer receipts for donations. If this changes, we will let everyone know.

Thank you for keeping this new "Backyard Ministry" in your prayers -- that our supplies can meet demands--that through all of this we can be examples of God's huge capacity of love with hopes of bringing others to Christ.

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