



“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” – Matthew 28:19

Dear Parents:

This holiday season, Assumption School will again be filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 124 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 150 countries and territories. In 2018, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 11 million children.

Last year, Assumption students packed a total of 294 shoeboxes bound for Tanzania, Africa and Native American Reservations around the U.S. This year, we're looking to hit a goal of 300 shoeboxes!

What goes into these shoeboxes? School supplies, clothing, toys... all kinds of everyday items that children around the world may not have access to. The items in these shoeboxes are sometimes the only gifts these children have ever received. The gifts and personal letters inside each shoebox communicate to the child that someone cares for them. It gives each child an opportunity to experience the love of God.

In addition to items that will fill those shoeboxes, we are also collecting shoeboxes (both plastic and cardboard) into which to place these items. Each box also costs \$9.00 to ship, so monetary donations are also appreciated.

Donations will be accepted through November 15th, after which the boxes will need to be delivered for shipment. Donations can be dropped off at the Assumption Catholic School office. We are very excited to be a part of such a life-changing ministry and are asking for your help in collecting items to make this effort a success.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thanks so much for all your help! You are helping us to make a difference in the lives of children all around the world!

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