

Thirdly, please **mail a check** payable to “Christmas Shoe Box Ministry” for **\$5.00** for each shoe box OR one check for your whole group to: **U. M. Disaster Relief Warehouse, 3220 Hwy. 31 Bldg. F, Decatur, AL 35602.** Do NOT put the money in the shoe box! The \$2.50 of the \$5.00 helps get it **to the missionary** and the other \$2.50 helps the missionary pay the cost of getting it **to the neediest!** Your boxes go to your closest “HUB.” See pp 3-6. Be sure to send the \$5.00.

Several churches have found that by getting their people together on a Wednesday night, it is beneficial in sharing items like a bag of marble because if you give more than five (5) marbles or crayons, it causes problems. If it is more than the child can hold in one hand, other children may jump on that child and take it away. Other items that can be shared at your packing party are pencils, pencil sharpeners, wash cloths, hair barrettes, etc. You can also share a tape gun to put the boxes together. It can be a real fun party!

Ask us to send you a file so you can print the number of Christmas Coloring Books in Spanish that you need. The Advent Coloring booklet, tells the Christmas story in Spanish. You can print them at your church office. Make as many copies as you need. The booklet requires three pieces of paper printed on both sides. Print one side, then the other. (It can also be used to reach Hispanic families in your community.)

Some churches ask their pre-school, elementary children and Senior Citizens to **color one part of the cover** on the coloring book. This means the children in a third world country can use the crayons in the shoe box to complete these. So ask your people if they might be interested in personalizing your shoe boxes with decorations. Be creative and have fun!

Does your Vacation Bible School need a project? Why not the Christmas Shoe Box ministry for a developing nation?

If we send the manifest about one month ahead of the container, Customs will enter it into their system and the shipment will clear in half the time. Here are our deadlines:

Deadlines

Sept. 3rd Tuesday	All Shoe Boxes Back in your “HUB” (pickup/drop off location).
Sept. 10th Tuesday	All cases of shoe boxes in the Decatur Warehouse and manifested
Sept. 21st, Saturday	Label cases of shoe boxes and Customs paper work finalized.
Sept. 24 th , Tuesday	Manifest shipped to Missionary and Customs (1 month lead time to clear Customs BEFORE the container arrives in a developing nation in time for distribution to churches.)
Sept. 28th, Saturday	Ship Container with the cases of shoe boxes, clears Customs around Thanksgiving and distribution to churches begins two weeks later. For more information, please feel free to contact us at 256-341-9961 Christmasshoeboxes@gmail.com

2019 Christmas Shoe Box HUB's (Distribution and Collections Points)

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