

Year Round Ministry Projects



January - Homemade Sugar Scrub

Take to a home for abused women, CWJC site, migrant workers, etc.

- 2 c. sugar
- 1 c. kosher salt
- 1/2 c. coconut oil melted
- 1 tb vanilla
- 1 tb almond extract
- 1 tb vitamin E oil



February - Heart Pillow

No sewing required felt pillow. A great children's ministry project to make and take to senior care centers. Find instructions at, <https://sweetandsimpleliving.com/diy-felt-heart-craft-idea-sewing-required/>.



March - Ministry of Encouragement

Keep an assortment of cards, buttons, ribbons stamps, stickers, etc. and write a verse of scripture inside to encourage the receiver. Visit, <https://www.biblestudytools.com/topical-verses/> to find Bible verses by topic.



April - Chemo Care Kit for Kids

Put together a bag or box of goodies to bless children battling cancer. For ideas and instructions visit, <https://penniesoftime.com/service-project-for-kids-chemo-care-kit-for-kids/>. For other kindness activities visit, penniesoftime.com.



May - Loads of Love, Homemade Washing Powder

Take to apartment communities to use as a move-in gift for new residents. Attach an invitation to visit your church. Take to laundromats. Attach a Gospel track and an invitation to your church.

- 1 bar of Fels Naphta soap or Ivory soap
 - 2 boxes of Borax
 - 2 boxes of Arm & Hammer baking soda
- Mix together in a large bucket. Separate into bags. One cup per wash load.



June - Angel Cream Moisturizer

This is a great gift to give to the elderly.

13 oz. petroleum jelly

8 oz. vitamin E cream

16 oz. body lotion

Mix all the ingredients together. For a fluffier cream use an electric mixer.



July - Sacks of Crayons

Put together sacks of crayons and coloring pages and/or coloring books. Bring these to a hospital waiting room, physicians offices or dental offices. Put a sticker on the cover that reads, "Compliments of your church or the children's ministry at your church". Include the church address, website and church service times on the sticker.



August - Birthday in a Bag School Year Project

Many needy children have never had an official "Birthday Party." Contact your local elementary and/or middle school. Ask for the number of students in each grade that they feel would be blessed by a Birthday in a Bag. These bags are a special treat. They are comprised of a cake mix (or brownie mix), a can of frosting, a baking pan, paper plates & napkins and any decorations you would like to include. Think of including a \$10.00-\$15.00 card from Wal-Mart or Target, to purchase a gift for the child.



September - Soup Mix in a Mason Jar

This is a great gift to give to the elderly or people recovering from surgery.

Put the following ingredients in layers into the mason jar.

1 tsp. celery seed or powder

1 tsp. dill

1 tsp. garlic powder

3 tbs. onion flakes

3 tbs. chicken granules

2 c. egg noodles or macaroni

Attach a scripture verse to the mason jar and the following cooking instructions.

Combine entire contents with 8 c. of water in a large pot. Bring to a boil. Cover and reduce heat for 20 minutes.



October - Blessing Bags for the Homeless

Items to include and a few tips when putting together a gift bag: comb, toothbrush, toothpaste, razor, Chapstick, Band-aids, snacks, beef jerky, travel coffee mug, small gift cards to an accessible restaurant, soap and hand lotion. Make sure to separate the food items from the nonfood items. Do not put items with alcohol in i.e. hand sanitizer and mouthwash. Socks are the most needed and least donated item to shelters. Have a "Socktober" donation Sunday at your church and/or an "Undie Sunday" where people can bring new socks and underwear for men, women and children.



November - The Giving Plate Ministry

Purchase a solid light color plate like yellow, cream or white. Use a permanent marker (s) to decorate and write "This plate shall have no owner, for its journey never ends, it travels in a circle of our family and community friends. It carries love from home to home for everyone to share. The food that's placed upon it was made with love and care. Please enjoy what's on the plate and fill it up again, then pass it on and the love it holds to your family and friends." Cover your goodies and attach a thank-you note in appreciation. "Thank-you! Your service to our community makes it a better place! We appreciate you!" Some ideas to bring your gift include local grocery store break room, hair salon, post office, bank, library, physician's office, dental office, schools, gas stations, elderly care facilities, fire stations, police stations etc.



December - Operation Christmas Child

Some ideas to fill your boxes are below. Please note if you include soap it must float. Do not include candy or toothpaste some countries customs rejected boxes because of these items. To find the most current information and details to fill your boxes visit, www.operationchristmaschild.org.

Sewing kit - put items in an Altoids container or small plastic container.

Travel sewing kits fit well.

Marble bag - make a bag from felt with a drawstring

Fishing kit - put things in an Altoids container or small plastic container

Clothes line kit - string and clothes pins

Beads - put in an assortment of beads and string, ribbon or leather chord

2 Projects From National WMU

Dolls on Mission - make rag dolls for mission trips, needy children in your community or children in the hospital. Visit <http://www.wmu.com/?q=article/adults-women-mission/all-dolled-dolls-mission> for patterns and directions.

Pillow Case Dresses - make dresses for mission trips and needy children in your community . For pattern and directions visit, <http://www.littledressesforafrica.org/blog/patterns/>

FREE Printable Materials

Valentine's Day Card's, <https://www.notconsumed.com/7-free-scripture-valentine-prints/> or <https://thepurposefulmom.com/free-printable-scripture-valentines.html>

Rachel Wojo.com- Ch@t Prayer Pattern, <https://rachelwojo.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/chatpurple1.pdf>

Make your own Scripture Tea, <https://arabahjoy.com/scripture-tea-tags-free-printable-tea-tradition/> or <https://rachelwojo.com/scripture-tea-tag-printable/>

Thank a veteran printable, <https://s3.amazonaws.com/freechurchforms.com.1/VDThankYouCard1.pdf> or <https://s3.amazonaws.com/freechurchforms.com.1/VDThankYouCard2.pdf>

Free Bible verse Coloring Pages- Kathleen Fucci Ministries, <https://www.kathleenfucciministries.org/store/free-bible-verse-coloring-pages>

Easter Egg Verses for Children from <https://churchleaders.com/>, <https://biblestoryprintables.com/wp-content/uploads/BSP/BibleVerseThemePacks/Easter/EggVerse1.pdf> or <https://biblestoryprintables.com/wp-content/uploads/BSP/BibleVerseThemePacks/Easter/EggVerse2.pdf>

Download a paper pocket to store Easter egg Bible verses in, <https://biblestoryprintables.com/wp-content/uploads/BSP/BibleVerseThemePacks/Easter/EggVersePocket.pdf>

10 ways To Keep Children Occupied in Quiet Places, <https://www.findingjoyinthejourney.net/10-ways-to-keep-kids-busy-in-church/>