

FAQ

Q: What is my first step to participate in Christmas Backpacks?

A: Review the information on this website for the guidelines and basic information.

Q: How will I get 'The Christmas Story,' and the backpack age level/gender identification band?

A: Order bands and Christmas Stories from Alabama WMU at link at www.alabamawmu.org/backpacks. The items will be mailed to you.

Q: Can I put a Bible in the backpack?

A: Yes! A Bible that can be easily read by a child is best.

Q: Can I put food in the backpack?

A: Yes! Pop-top cans, snack bars and other individually packaged items are fine. You can also provide plastic forks and spoons to use with the food items. Due to possible allergies, please don't include items with nuts.

Q: Are gently used backpacks and other items okay?

A: No, the backpacks and items in them must be new and unused.

Q: Can I bring clothing, coats and other items to the collection sites?

A: The only items that can be accepted at the collection sites are the backpacks. If you are partnering with a specific ministry site, you may be able to bring other items with you to that specific site.

Q: Is there a specific size that the backpacks should be?

A: It will depend on the age of the child for whom you are preparing the backpack. A medium sized backpack works well for a younger child. A larger backpack is suitable for an older child.

Q: Can I and/or my church help give out backpacks at a church or ministry center?

A: Partnership opportunities are available! Requests for as few as 50 up to several hundred backpacks can be filled, delivered and given out. Contact Pat Ingram for more information.

Q: Who do I contact if I have any other questions about this project?

A: Please email all questions to Pat Ingram at pingram@alsbom.org.