MY SHOEBOX IS SPECIAL

Here's my gift to help deliver it to someone who will love it (please place in the envelope)

If you fill more than one box please only fill in one envelope and enclose the money for all of them. If you can donate online it helps us meet the costs of getting the shoeboxes out more quickly. Donate now at shoeboxappeal.org



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I WOULD LIKE TO GIFT AID MY DONATION

Please only complete the details below if you are over 16, making a personal donation that we can claim Gift Aid on and/or you would like to keep in touch with us.

Please treat all donations I have made to Blythswood for the four years prior to this donation, and future donations I make, as Gift Aid donations. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my charitable donations in that tax year, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Cheques should be payable to Blythswood Care

YOUR DETAILS

Please print clearly and in capitals and complete all sections with * so we can claim gift aid, if you are eligible

*Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, other					
*First Name					
*Surname					
*Address					
*Town	*Postcode				
Email					
Mobile					
Please keep in touch with me by:	Post	WhatsApp	Email		

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To find out more about how we take care of your information, go to blythswood.org/privacy-policy. If you want to change how we keep in touch with you, simply call us on: 01349 830777 or email info@blythswood.org



Shoeboxes will be distributed in Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia, and Ukraine.

It's easy to choose gifts for people who have so little. Shampoo, a pair of socks, a notepad, a small toy, a bag of sweets—things we take for granted will seem like luxuries to people living in poverty.

By filling a shoebox with simple things, you can bring warmth, joy and hope this Christmas

Please follow the guidelines carefully. If restrictions aren't met, shoeboxes may be rejected at customs - and won't reach those in need. After checking your box, Blythswood will add a Bible storybook for children, a book for teenagers, or a calendar with Bible verses for adults. It will then be sent to someone in need in time for Christmas.

FAQS

What size shoebox should I use?

Please use an average-sized shoebox. This makes it easier for those who distribute boxes and is fairer for recipients; it also means we can pack more boxes into the cartons.

What are the carriage costs?

It costs approximately £7,000 to send a container load of shoeboxes to Eastern Europe. Your kind donation towards these costs helps us greatly—please donate online or by using the envelope attached. Please remember to Gift Aid your donation if you can.

We've delivered over 2.8M BOXES since 1993

THANK YOU for your support!

How do I deposit my shoebox?

- Please visit our website blythswood.org/shoeboxappeal for details of your closest collection point
- Hand in to our offices below
- Our collections schedule pick-up points (phone 01349 830777 for details)
- Any of our charity shops
- All collection and pick-up addresses will be published on our website

If you are unable to deliver your shoeboxes please contact your nearest depot/office where someone will be able to help you.

Blythswood offices

Scotland, England and Wales Northern Ireland

01349 830777 02893 349859





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THREE STEPS TO SHARE WARMTH, JOY AND HOPE



FIND AND WRAP

Choose an average-sized shoebox and decide whether it's for a child, teenager, man or woman. Wrap the box and lid separately so the lid can be removed without tearing the paper. If your box has an attached lid, cut the lid off, wrap separately and tape back on.





PACK AND CHECK

Fill the box with useful, long-lasting items. Remove any unnecessary packaging to save space and reduce waste. Use the checklist to ensure you've included the recommended items, then tick them off and tape the checklist to the outside of the box.





DONATE **AND DELIVER**

Help cover transport and other costs by donating online or by using the donation envelope - place it on top of the items inside the box. Secure the lid with rubber bands (not tape) so that the contents can be inspected. Deliver your box to a local collection point (such as a church or school) by the end of October or the start of November for Christmas delivery.



LOCAL COLLECTION POINT:

CHECKLIST

Please tick the items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid. Include the essential items highlighted in the orange box. Important: please only include new items.

ESSENTIALS

- Toothbrush & toothpaste Toy*/gift

Bar of soap

*Small toy for children such as cars, dolls, balls, etc. Please only include new shop-bought toys.

Underwear

Sweets

Socks/tights

No chocolate, split multipacks, or any other food items. No loose sweets, lollies, or undated bags of sweets. Best before date

Scarf, hat, gloves

no earlier than 31st March next year.

Do not include used or damaged items: war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; mouthwash; seeds; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate eclairs and chocolate limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should not be included.

TOILETRIES (NO TALCUM POWDER)

- MAXIMUM SIZE OF BOTTLES 200ML WE CANNOT ACCEPT BABY BOXES, OR NEW Shampoo or shower gel
- Face cloth/moist wipes Deodorant
- Moisturising cream
- Comb/brush
- Sanitary products Shaving foam/razors

MISCELLANEOUS

- New make-up
- Sewing equipment
- Household candles
- Screwdrivers/pliers

STATIONERY

- Pens/pencils/sharpener
- Notepads/colouring books
- Rulers/rubbers

CLOTHES AND OTHER ITEMS

KNITTED GOODS APART FROM HATS, SCARVES **AND GLOVES**

SELECT YOUR SHOEBOX RECIPIENT

- Man
- Boy (teen) Boy (8-12)
- Boy (3-7)
- Elderly woman
- Woman
- Girl (teen)
- Girl (8-12)
- Girl (3-7)

CHANGING LIVES FOR GOOD AND FOREVER