

God's Love Overcomes Every Barrier

Every fall, Cornerstone Church members know something is up when they begin to see green and red shoeboxes emerge, along with the smiling faces of two dozen volunteers ... it's time for the annual Christmas Shoebox Drive! This year's effort presented unique challenges as the ministry rolled out during a global pandemic and varied health protocols. Ministry Partners and leaders alike recognized, however, that in the face of adversity, it was even more important to tangibly share the love of Christ and spread the Gospel with communities across the globe.

This year, Cornerstone Church delivered over 750 shoeboxes to Samaritan's Purse and New Missions, Haiti. Each shoebox represents hope, love, and an opportunity for a child to accept a relationship with Jesus Christ. Through our partners, every child who puts their faith in Jesus will be invited to participate in a discipleship program so that might grow in their new-found faith.

Dedicated servant leaders like Sherry Lee, Linda Walton, and Debbie Poppen, as well as their entire volunteer team, went above and beyond to allow people to participate across Cornerstone's numerous worship venues. Each volunteer answered God's call to step out in faith during an uncertain time and trust that His will would be done. Ministry Leader Debbie Poppen said:

“This year as our committee started thinking about the Christmas Shoebox Drive we had no idea what to expect. But thanks to everyone at Cornerstone who volunteered their time, effort, and prayers, we were able to get our shoeboxes to both Samaritan's Purse and New Missions.

Because this year presented so many different challenges, my husband Jesse and I decided it was the perfect opportunity to "hand deliver" the shoeboxes to New Missions in Orlando, Florida. After a cross-country drive, it was such a blessing to be able to meet the wonderful people at New Missions. We were able to see God's hand in everything we experienced this year. And now that the shoeboxes are on their way we look forward to what God has planned for next year!”

For all those who participated in the 2020 Christmas Shoebox drive, thank you for your generosity and faithfulness. Due to your efforts, 750 children around the world will soon receive a tangible demonstration of God's love and hear the good news of Jesus. You helped us to fulfill our mission of declaring the good news to the unsaved and discipling them towards Christ-likeness. We invite you to continue to pray for each and every child as we celebrate the amazing ways that God's love overcomes every barrier! To God be the glory!

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