

## Back-to-School Backpack Ministry

—an opportunity to bring joy to needy kids

School is about to start and it's a time of excitement, fun, and discovery for many children. But for some children, it means showing up at school without crayons or pencils, notebooks or glue, without the supplies they need. Sadly today, many parents can't pay for them and schools are unable to provide them. But the body of Christ can. Our church has a ministry where we provide filled backpacks to little kids who need them. We have four ways you can help:



Back-to-school should be a time of fun, excitement, and learning. But imagine how sad and embarrassing it would be to go to school without a backpack or school supplies. Our church has a ministry to send kids back to school with all the supplies they need. Read here and on the back for how to be part of it.

### 4 ways to be part of our Backpack Giveaway Ministry

#### #1 Buy from a pre-printed list

At this time of year, many stores have school supply lists. You may want to call your local school for a recommendation and for suggestions of what grades are in need. Purchase a backpack, fill the backpack with the supplies and label it with the grade and school name.

#### # 2 Buy whatever supplies you can

Crayons, colored pencils, pens, markers, notebook paper, notebooks, spiral notebooks, pencils, glue, pens, glue sticks, and/or if you can, nice backpacks. Bring to the church for us to assemble.

#### # 3 Give money to our Back-to-School fund

Donate money and we'll purchase the supplies, fill the backpacks, and deliver them to the schools, homeless shelters, and kids that need them.

#### #4 The option for everyone—Pray

Pray for us that we raise the needed funds and recruit enough helpers. Pray for the children, that we find those in need and no one is left out. Pray we can help them meet Jesus. Pray for their little hearts, for encouragement and hope in whatever their situation that makes this ministry necessary.

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