



Blythwood Care Shoebox Appeal



It was great to have Michelle Livingstone from Blythwood Care with us on Sunday to talk about their Shoebox appeal for 2021. Michelle shared some stories about the impact these boxes have on the adults and children who receive them. If you missed her you can watch it again on YouTube. The easiest way to do that is to go to our website www.craiglockhartchurch.org and scroll down on the from page till you see the box called Latest Service, click there and it will take you to last Sunday.

Putting a shoebox together is very easy and we have leaflets in church with instructions and there are a couple of pictures of it below to get you started. If you don't have a shoebox Michelle left us a few which are in Gordon McBirnie's office or you can use a drawstring bag which you can get from sports shops or Amazon.

Michelle explained to us that an important task is to sort through all the shoeboxes before they are sent over to Kosovo and they are looking for volunteers to help with that.

The sorting is being done at Barclay Viewforth Church on Monday 8th and Thursday 12th November. 9am-6pm. If you can give a bit of time on either of those days it would be very appreciated.

If you make up a box or bag and are not able to take it Barclay Viewforth please bring it to church and we will arrange to drop it off.

If you have any questions contact Gordon McBirnie gordon@craiglockhartchurch.org 07879 778 365 or if you have any questions for Michelle contact her at Michelle.livingstone@blythwood.org or 07880 196903

6 steps to bring happiness

- 1 Find:** Find an average-size shoebox. Decide who to fill it for; a child, a teenager, a man or a woman.
- 2 Wrap:** your box and lid separately so that the lid can be removed without tearing the paper.
- 3 Pack:** Gather the items, remove all plastic and cardboard packaging and pack into the box. Please choose items that will last rather than those with a short life and can't be recycled.
- 4 Check:** On the checklist, tick the items you have put in your shoebox and note any that are not on the list.
- 5 Donate:** Secure the ticked checklist to the outside of the shoebox lid using sticky tape. Detach the donation envelope as instructed and place with your donation inside your box.
- 6 Deliver:** Secure the lid with rubber bands. (Custom regulations require Blythwood Care to check the contents of your box.) Deliver your box to your local collection point.

Checklist

Please tick items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid.

ESSENTIAL ITEMS (ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW):
Include the following items highlighted in the top box.

- Toothbrush and Toothpaste
- Hat, scarf, gloves
- Soap
- Underwear/ Socks/Tights
- Small Toy for boys and girls such as cars, dolls, balls. Please only include new shop-bought toys.
- Sweets (No chocolate or any other food! 'Best before' date no earlier than 31 March next year. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets.)

Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns or knives or military figures; 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 also not be included.

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| Toiletries (NO TALCUM POWDER) | <input type="checkbox"/> Screwdrivers/Pliers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Utensils |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soap/Shower gel | Stationery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Face cloth/ Moist wipes | <input type="checkbox"/> Pens/Pencils/Sharpener |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant | <input type="checkbox"/> Notepads/Colouring books |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Moisturising Cream | <input type="checkbox"/> Rulers/Rubbers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb/Brush | Clothes and other Items |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Products | (T-shirts/Pyjamas/Jumpers/ Shirts) etc |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shaving foam/Razors | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Miscellaneous | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Make-up | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing Equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Household Candles | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please tick the box next to who the box is for
Please specify the age of the girl or boy you have filled this box for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Girl _____ yrs | <input type="checkbox"/> Boy _____ yrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teenage _____ yrs | <input type="checkbox"/> Teenage _____ yrs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woman | <input type="checkbox"/> Man |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elderly woman | |