



October 10, 2008

Dear Parents,

How blessed it is to give! We want our students to experience the blessing of giving joy to others through a simple outreach called Operation Christmas Child. There are so many children all over the world whose lives have been uprooted by civil war, natural disasters, or extreme poverty. These little ones need to know that they are precious to God.

That's the motivation behind Operation Christmas Child. Since most of us are unable to go out into the world on missions, we would like to share the good news of Jesus by preparing shoebox gifts through Franklin Graham's ministry, Samaritan's Purse.

<http://www.samaritanspurse.org>.

Individuals from all CCS classes can voluntarily participate in collecting various NEW items (toys, school supplies, candy, hygiene items, etc.) to place into shoeboxes and send overseas to another child. We will send home brochures with more information.

We know that your child would benefit greatly from giving. If you would like to participate, please send your packed shoebox including a check for \$7.00 for shipping and handling. You may wrap your box with pretty Christmas paper. Make sure you hold it together with a couple of rubber bands. Bring the box on Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> for the dedication chapel. We invite you to come see what Operation Christmas Child is about through our chapels October 7<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!

Many blessings,

Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Palomino