



## OPERATION LOVE MINISTRIES

### **Christmas Basket Donation Drive**

Are you looking for a way for your family, work group, or other organization to give back this Christmas season? As hundreds of families struggle to make ends meet in Madison County, you can **make Christmas a time of celebration and wonder for children, families, and singles who may have no one else to provide for them in this special season.**

Collections of 1-3 specific items are appreciated. **Please let us know which items you choose to focus on so that we can plan accordingly.** Most baskets will require 1 – 3 of each item depending on family size. Designated financial donations are also welcome.

We are thankful for all of your work to reach families and individuals in need this holiday season and throughout the year! With your help, OLM will provide Christmas baskets for over 250 families!

#### **Christmas Basket Food Items:**

Meat (half hams, whole chickens/turkeys)  
Canned Corn, Green Beans, Carrots  
~~Boxed Stuffing~~ SPONSORED  
~~Instant Potatoes/Gravy~~ SPONSORED  
Butter/Dinner Rolls  
Canned Fruit/Canned Cranberries  
Sugar/Brown Sugar  
Canned Yams/Marshmallows

#### **Christmas Basket Basic Need Items:**

Dish Soap  
Body Soap  
Toilet Tissue  
Socks  
Winter Hats  
Scarves & Gloves

**Please call 765-644-2121 and speak with Andrea to reserve your desired collection items.**

#### **Donation Schedule:**

**Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>:** update us on estimates of how much you have of each item you have collected.

**Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>:** all financial commitments needed to finalize donation inventory/purchasing

**Dec 4<sup>th</sup>:** all donations that are not being given directly to a family must be dropped off at Operation Love Ministries.

#### **Assembly and Distribution Schedule:**

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm – 7:00pm: baskets packed, toy inventory & shopping rooms set up

Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> (9-11:30 and 1-3:30): toy inventory & setup throughout the week

Dec 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 12:00pm or 1:00pm – 4:00pm: Basket and toy shopping experience