

# **GUIDE GIFT BASKETS**

Involve your children or youth in this fun and easy activity. You'll also encourage your congregation to participate in the Global Gift Guide and raise awareness of the transforming power of giving gifts to "Jesus" this Christmas.

#### Idea

Announce to your church during all services that you are partnering with World Concern to transform families and communities in some of the world's poorest places by giving Christmas gifts through the Global Gift Guide. Use the worship slide, video and/or bulletin inserts. From the pulpit, remind congregants that the youth/kids will be passing out the guides as they leave the service.

## Pulpit announcement

This Christmas our church will be helping families in some of the world's poorest places through the World Concern Global Gift guide. I love this opportunity because each of us can truly make a difference in the life of a real family by giving the gift of a goat, some chickens, a water filter or other item. These aren't "handouts" these are gifts that change lives and show the love of God to real people in some of the world's most difficult places. I also love it because it also gives me a chance to help our family push back against holiday materialism and show our love for Jesus. The kids will be passing out the Gift Guides as you leave the service today. Please take one and join me in giving life-changing gifts to a family in need this year.

# Activity

Have a youth or children's class roll each gift guide and secure with a rubber band and tie with a Christmas bow. Add a candy cane as a treat and to make each guide a "gift" to the congregation. Place the rolled guides in baskets. After service, position children near the service exits and in your fellowship area to hand the guides out to exiting worshippers.

#### Note:

Make sure the kids are prepared to answer questions about why the Gift Guide is being distributed.

### Script:

"This Christmas our church is giving gifts to Jesus by helping poor families around the world. Please take a guide and join us in showing God's love this season."

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