



Care Packages for Students for Finals

How can your Group/Church help?

Mission: To express the love of Christ to internationals attending IFI Bible Discussion Groups by giving a small shoebox full of items to encourage them as they study/work in the U.S.

The Idea: This project is aimed to involve more people in the work of reaching internationals, similar to Operation Christmas Child.

What items are in the care packages?

- Your church purchases and packages the items for each box: (Purchase ideas on this spread sheet: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EvrWLnO2bKaNWbkfkQuMJM8-sjSnUSEcIXAs1NqyZi0/edit?usp=sharing>)
 - 1 note of encouragement with a verse from the Bible
 - 1 picture of the person/family or group giving the care package (optional)
 - 1 small purse size Travel Tissue
 - 1 travel-size hand sanitizer
 - 1 travel-size hand lotion
 - 5-7 mini chocolate candy bars, such as Reeses, Twix, York peppermint patties,
 - 2 masks
 - 2 or 3 small instant hand sanitizer wipes
 - 1 pack of note cards with lines
 - 1 small magnetic white board
 - 1 pack of post it notes (unlined)
 - 1 gift card in the amount of \$15-20 (Suggestions: Grocery and Amazon)
 - 1 cardboard or plastic shoe box or bag

How can Groups help? Take responsibility for gathering and packaging items in shoeboxes. Please let us know how many boxes you can fill.

- Ask folks to purchase items (see above list) to be put in the boxes
- Have a packaging party with your group and pray for the recipients - prayer sheet provided by IFI
- Print and place labels on each box - document for printing labels provided by IFI
- Return filled boxes to the IFI office or make arrangements with IFI to visit a Bible discussion group to personally give the care packages to internationals.

Why would your group/church do this?

- Great way to involve more people in IFI work
- Help to bring about awareness of IFI and recruit more volunteers
- Partner with and support Bible discussion leaders in fulfilling the mission of reaching internationals with God's love.

What is the deadline for this project? *We need to receive packages by November 13th for Fall 2020.*

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