

Buckets of Hope for Haiti



Southern Baptists are joining hands to feed the hungry in the name of Jesus by collecting "Buckets of Hope" for Haitians. You can be part of this nationwide effort!

Project Details: Each bucket will consist of a plastic five-gallon bucket packed with selected foodstuffs. For approximately \$30, you can purchase the materials and assemble a "Bucket of Hope." Please also include a \$10 cash contribution, placed in an envelope and attached to the outside of the lid of the bucket, to offset the cost of transporting the relief buckets to Haiti.

Project Deadline: By March 4, 2010, the "Buckets of Hope" must be completed and delivered to your local Baptist association collection point. From there, the buckets will be transported to Miami, Florida, where they will be packed in cargo containers and shipped to Haiti. Each bucket will be labeled, indicating that the "Bucket of Hope" is a gift of Christian love and support from Southern Baptists.

Bucket Description: The 5-gallon white plastic bucket with handle, which should be new and unused, can be purchased from Wal-Mart (UPC code #098262506408). The bucket should not have any logo or other commercial imprint, and must include a tight fitting lid (UPC code 9826270645).

Bucket Contents: The commercially pre-packaged food items can be generic, store brand items. Once the food supplies are used, Haitians will find multiple everyday uses for the bucket. Please do not substitute any item listed and do not add anything additional inside the bucket. *(See Food Items list and Packing Instructions on back)*

For more information about the "Buckets of Hope" project, visit
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Food Items:

- 2 – 5-pound bags long grain enriched rice
- 1 – 48-ounce plastic bottle cooking oil
- 2 – 2-pound bags dry black beans (can substitute with red beans)
- 1 – 5-pound bag of all-purpose flour (not self-rising)
- 1 – 20-oz cylinder container of granulated white sugar (coffee service size)
- 2 – 1-pound boxes spaghetti noodles
- 1 – 2 lb, 8 oz plastic jar creamy peanut butter
- 1 – white kitchen trash can size plastic bag (used to wrap the cooking oil)

Packing Instructions:

1. As you pack the bucket, pray for the family that will receive the food.
2. Lay bucket on its side.
3. Place rice packages in bucket. Lay bags side-by-side and flat running in the direction of top to bottom of bucket. Gently compress the bags (without breaking them) as flat as possible to create room for other items.
4. Place bottle of oil inside a clean, unused trash bag and wrap the excess portion of the bag tightly around the bottle to protect the foodstuffs should there be leakage or a break in the bottle during transport.
5. Lay the bottle of oil on top of the rice bags. Lay the wrapped oil container so that the bottom of the bottle is at the bottom of the bucket and is approximately in the center of the bucket.
6. Place the peanut butter jar on one side of the oil.
7. Place the cylinder of sugar on top of the wrapped oil bottle.
8. Place boxes of spaghetti noodles on the other side of the oil bottle.
9. While holding the sugar and peanut butter containers in place, stand bucket upright .
10. Place one bag of black beans down along the inside of the bucket next to the peanut butter.
11. Place bag of flour on its side on top of the peanut butter, gently packing down the flour bag to clear the rim of the bucket.
12. Place second bag of beans next to the flour, on top of the peanut butter.
13. Close lid on the bucket and make sure it is securely closed.
14. Place \$10 cash (bills only) into a business size (#10) or smaller envelope. Seal the envelope and securely tape it to the lid of the bucket (outside).
15. Take the filled "Bucket of Hope" to your area collection center before March 4, 2010.

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