



GIFTS FROM THE HEART INGATHERING

Our 2026 **Gifts from the Heart** Ingathering will bless three ministries, one in each of our host zones. There's a project for everyone: new, familiar, out of the box, group or individual...

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Navajo Lutheran Outreach, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in the Four Corners Zone. Art Kits and Gift Cards ranging \$10-\$25 from Walmart, other options include Dollar Tree and Safeway/Albertsons are requested. The Gift Cards will be used to meet unpredictable needs in the community. Pastor Norton explained, the children often do well expressing themselves through art (a much more positive outlet of emotions than many negative ways) but they lack supplies.

Art Kit Supplies: Watercolors with brushes, colored pencils, sharpener & eraser Fine tip markers, unlined sketch pad, & play dough or molding clay. Place all items in a plastic container with a top, drawstring backpack, or tote bag.

Lutheran Valley Retreat in the Southern Zone, LVR is a year round retreat and summer camp facility for all ages near Woodland Park, CO, sharing God's grace and glory through His creation. Every camper has an opportunity to rock climb and all gear is provided. Over the years, our Mites have helped many foster children attend this camp.

Supplies for LVR: Tarps 16 x 20' or larger. Reams of paper, masking tape & gallon or sandwich size Ziploc bags, board/card games with all the pieces for rainy days, climbing shoes, all sizes, new or gently used, sleeping bags for needy campers, preferably 20 degree bags or colder, new or gently used.

Orphan Grain Train Castle Rock in the South Central Zone. This OGT Collection Center sends relief shipments to partners in Latvia and Lithuania. We will be collecting **School Supplies** to add to these overseas shipments and assembling **Hygiene Kits** to be distributed when disasters strike at home or abroad.

Hygiene Kit List and Instructions:

- 1 Bath towel & 1 wash cloth (dark linens are recommended)
- 1 Bath-size bar of soap & 1 plastic soap box holder
- 1 Toothbrush, 1 sturdy comb & 1 nail clipper
- 6 Band-aids (1/2 or 3/4 inch) & 1 piece of strong ribbon or cord
- 1 small package of tissues

Lay out the towel, fold over about 5" on each long side. Place the rest of the items in the center under the folds. Roll up the towel and tie the towel in the middle with a ribbon or cord. Please no additions, deletions or substitutions.

Find complete instructions at www.ogt.org

Please post the *Gifts from the Heart* flyer (found on page 7) on your bulletin board to promote our 2026 Convention Ingathering. Choose a project or two and have fun shopping for these ministries!

