

# Things to Collect for Mission Friends Checklist

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## Duplicate and share with parents.

Leading Mission Friends requires plenty of supplies! While some items may be purchased, many things needed for weekly sessions can easily be collected, cleaned, and stored for immediate or future use. Help your Mission Friends leader by saving items from home, perusing yard sales, and frequenting thrift and discount stores. Many of the following items may be used in multiple interest areas.

Display this preschool supply wish list on your refrigerator to remind you to collect, clean, and deliver much needed (and appreciated) items to your Mission Friends class!

### Art

- crayons
- markers
- colored pencils
- scissors
- fabric scraps
- paper scraps
- decorative paper
- potato chip cans
- oatmeal containers
- ribbon
- yarn
- felt
- washi tape
- newspapers
- applesauce or yogurt cups
- paper plates
- sponges
- tissue paper
- wooden craft sticks

### Blocks

- wrapping paper tubes
- paper towel tubes
- shoeboxes
- wood scraps
- toy vehicles
- people figures
- toy furniture
- cardboard
- plastic interlocking blocks

### Books

- outdated Sunday school literature
- bookmarks
- washable pillows
- picnic blanket
- Bible story picture books

### Homeliving

- food containers (cans, boxes, jugs, tubs, cartons)
- dress-up clothes (seasonal and cultural)
- baby dolls and accessories
- toy dishes and cooking utensils
- toy foods

- artificial flowers
- plastic vases
- tablecloths and napkins
- berry baskets
- baskets
- serving trays
- old flip phones with push buttons

### Music and Movement

- plastic eggs
- soft scarves
- balls
- hula hoops
- wooden dowel rods (rhythm sticks)

### Nature

- plastic peanut butter jars and lids
- sanitized foam egg cartons
- beach nature items (shells, driftwood, sand)
- forest nature items (pine cones, branches, pine needles, acorns, bark)
- spray bottles
- scoops
- plastic tubs
- ziplock bags
- magnets
- funnels
- plastic measuring cups
- towels

### Puzzles and Manipulatives

- Bible-based Christmas or greeting cards
- lids (metal and plastic)
- paper bags
- plastic containers with lids
- puzzles
- large tweezers
- tongs
- pom-poms
- plastic darning needles
- clothespins

**Mission Friends Leader Tip:** Highlight items you need soon or cross off items you do not need.