



Filipino child



**THE POWER OF A SIMPLE GIFT**  
**GROUP PARTICIPATION GUIDE**



Samaritan's Purse preparing to send relief supplies to Ukraine



Founded in 1970, Samaritan's Purse is a Christian international relief organization that has provided spiritual and physical aid to people affected by war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine around the world for the past 50 years. With its international headquarters in the US, Samaritan's Purse has established affiliate offices in Canada (1973), the United Kingdom (1989), Australia/New Zealand (1995), Germany (2019), and Korea (2020), working with the shared mission of spreading the love of Jesus Christ.

## TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

**Through a small gift box, we can follow Jesus' command and share the Gospel to the ends of the earth!**

OCC gift boxes represent one of the largest children's evangelism efforts worldwide, reaching children around the globe, including those in hard-to-reach areas. Samaritan's Purse collaborates with local churches to share the Gospel with children, deliver the gift boxes packed by donors, and invite them to the 12-lesson discipleship program called 'The Greatest Journey'. Additionally, OCC gift boxes support local churches and help them grow, enabling ongoing discipleship.



Children in Namibia



# FRUITS OF THE MINISTRY

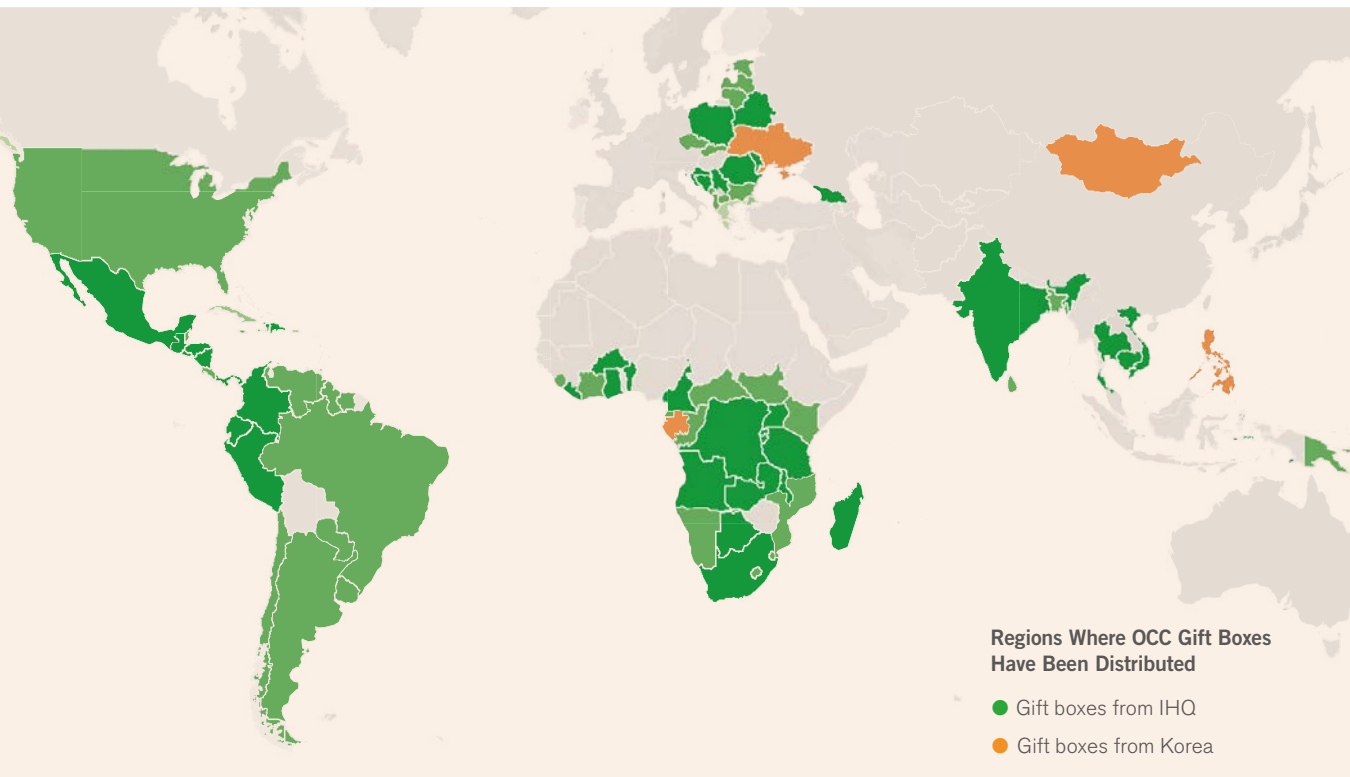


## 2023 Statistics

-  100 countries received OCC gift boxes
-  11.3 million gift boxes collected
-  540,000 volunteers processed gift boxes (since 1993)
-  5.11 million children enrolled in the 12-lesson discipleship program, "The Greatest Journey"
-  2.8 million children accepted Jesus



Since 1993, we have delivered approximately 220 million gift boxes to children in 176 countries and territories around the world. In 2023, 11 countries participated in reaching 11.3 million children with OCC gift boxes and the joy of the Gospel.



# WHY SHOULD WE PARTICIPATE?

## 1 Anyone can participate in this great missional opportunity.

You can easily join by packing gift boxes with your family or with your church community.

## 2 It's more than just sending gifts; it's about sharing the Gospel.

Millions of children learn about Jesus and become His disciples through the 12-lesson discipleship program called 'The Greatest Journey.'

### What is 'The Greatest Journey'?



When children receive their gift boxes through outreach events organized by local churches, they are also invited to participate in a 12-lesson discipleship program called 'The Greatest Journey.' Trained local ministers provide the discipleship training and upon completion, children receive a graduation certificate and a copy of the New Testament Bible in their local language.

## 3 We foster the growth of local churches and bring Gospel-centered transformation to the community by:

- Equipping volunteers
- Training local church workers
- Evangelizing the greater community

# THE JOURNEY OF A GIFT BOX

## How are OCC Gift Boxes Delivered?

OCC gift boxes are delivered through local churches and partners to children who hear the Gospel first before receiving the gift.



### Q. When are OCC gift boxes delivered to the children?

After the packed OCC gift boxes are collected in Korea, they are incorporated into our global logistics system before arriving at the final destination country. Due to the varying transportation conditions of each country, the arrival time of the gift boxes may vary.

### Q. Can I choose which country will receive my gift box?

The recipient countries of OCC gift boxes change every year. In 2024, the OCC gift boxes prepared in Korea are scheduled to be shipped to Ukraine, the Philippines, Mongolia, and hard-to-reach areas.

**"...Go and do likewise" - Luke 10:37**





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Children in the Philippines receiving gift boxes in 2023



# GOD WORKS THROUGH OCC GIFT BOXES!

*"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."*

- Ephesians 3:20-21 NIV



## An Unforgettable Good Day

St. Andrew's region in Grenada is rampant with drugs, crime, and gambling, and most children are left unattended without parents. Upon receiving the gift box delivered to the area, young Joshua exclaimed, "Today is the best day ever! I love everything inside!" The gift boxes bring light to places that seem covered in darkness.



## Opportunity to Share the Gospel

In a remote village in southern Madagascar, Pastor Soja, along with OCC gift box ministry partners, shared the Gospel with a tribe steeped in superstition for generations. The seeds planted became the foundation for establishing churches in a village that was once hostile to Christianity.



## The moment I opened the gift box, it felt like I had the whole world!

Vanessa, a girl from Honduras, who was anxious about being expelled from school for not being able to pay tuition, did not have many happy memories. On the day she received the gift box, Vanessa discovered a wonderful pencil set and warm pink socks and couldn't hide her joy. "These are the things I wanted," she said, filled with the assurance that Jesus knows her needs.



## A Channel of Answered Prayer

Elena and her daughter fled to Poland to escape the ongoing conflict in Ukraine. Despite the fear that overwhelmed them in the face of their reality, they prayed for protection for their family. The OCC gift box they received brought them great comfort and joy.



## God Who Knows All Needs

A 13-year-old boy from South Africa who desperately needed a new set of clothes found clothes in the box that fit him perfectly and couldn't hide his joy. Experiencing God's meticulous provision, the boy and his family accepted Jesus as their Savior.



## We walked for an hour and a half carrying 80 boxes.

50 university students took the initiative to deliver gift boxes to an isolated village in the Bolo region of Liberia. They walked through the jungle for an hour and a half to deliver the gift boxes to the children. These gift boxes became the seed of the Gospel in the remote village, eventually leading to the establishment of a church.

# HOW TO PARTICIPATE WITH YOUR CHURCH OR ORGANIZATION



## 1 Pray and set goals

Pray together with your community and set a target number of OCC gift boxes to be sent in 2024. Have prayer meetings for the children who will receive the gift boxes.



## 2 Order OCC gift boxes

Order the gift boxes and receive the participation kit through the Samaritan's Purse Korea website.

- Gift box orders are available in QTY of 50.
- The participation kit includes promotional materials (X-banner, mini banner, poster) for use in churches/organizations. (Refer to p.18)




## 3 Promote OCC gift boxes in your community (Refer to p.18, 19)

Introduce the OCC gift box ministry to your church/organization and explain how to participate.

- Use the videos and brochures provided by Samaritan's Purse Korea.
- Set up displays and information desks using the promotional materials included in the participation kit.
  - Distribute gift boxes, postcards, rubber bands, and donation envelopes.
  - Emphasize the collection date, location, and introduce the Project Leader (PL)
  - Explain the purpose of the 20,000 KRW donation per OCC gift box and how to make the donation.



 Please share photos of your participation using the **#2024OCCgiftbox** hashtag on social media.



## 4 Collect and drop-off OCC gift boxes

Bring the collected OCC gift boxes to a nearby drop-off location or mail to the Samaritan's Purse warehouse during National Collection Week which is from November 18-25th.

### ■ What is a Drop-off Center?

Drop-off locations are designated sites that form a network of centralized locations where local churches, organizations, and individuals participating in OCC can drop off their packed gift boxes.

### Gift Box Delivery Methods (Choose one):

- 1) Bring them directly to a drop-off center in your area.
- 2) Ship via courier to the Samaritan's Purse warehouse

\*Please check the Samaritan's Purse Korea website for more information on returning your gift boxes.



## 5 Send donation and donor information

A donation of 20,000 KRW per gift box is critical to cover discipleship material, shipping and other project costs.

**1. Individual Donations** | Individuals packing gift boxes through a participating organization can make their donation directly on the Samaritan's Purse Korea website or by using the QR code on the gift box. Donation receipts can only be issued for donors who donate through the website.

**2. Group Donations using Donation Envelopes** | Individual donations collected through OCC donation envelopes can be transferred to the Samaritan's Purse Korea account. For account details, please contact our office at 02-2105-1800 (press 1) during business hours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, excluding weekends and public holidays.

- Example of account holder name : OOOChurch OCC/OOOSchool OCC + Group name
- Please email the donor list information here : [dm@samaritanspurse.or.kr](mailto:dm@samaritanspurse.or.kr)

\*Please note that for organizations that are able to issue donation receipts, Samaritan's Purse Korea cannot issue additional receipts for individual donors who used the donation envelopes.



# ADDITIONAL WAYS TO GET INVOLVED



## Packing Party: Sharing the Joy of Missions

Host a packing party where you can gather with loved ones to prepare gift boxes and celebrate the joy of spreading the Gospel! Gather together with participants from your church or group to pack gifts for children on the other side of the world, share the joy of giving, and experience a special missions opportunity through intercessory prayer.



**How?** Set a target number of gift boxes, prepare gift items, and carefully pack the boxes. Include a warm handwritten letter and pray together that the child will receive the Gospel. Finally, take a group photo and share it on social media to capture the precious moment.



## Volunteering for Overseas Missions

### 1. Collecting OCC Gift Boxes at Drop-off Centers

Drop-off centers collect OCC gift boxes within the community during National Collection Week. Volunteers communicate with donors and help raise awareness of the OCC gift box ministry in the area.

### 2. Inspecting OCC Gift Boxes at Processing Centers

In December 2024, volunteers will gather at the processing center to inspect the items in the gift boxes to ensure they are suitable for overseas delivery. This is a great opportunity for church members and group participants to serve together. Join in spreading the Gospel worldwide through OCC gift boxes!

### 3. Participating in Samaritan's Purse Korea Packing Party

In February 2025, come volunteer by participating in a fun packing party organized by Samaritan's Purse Korea to share Jesus' love with children in hard-to-reach areas.

- Volunteers can sign up for these opportunities on the Samaritan's Purse Korea website (Processing volunteer form opens on Oct. 1, 2024).



## Participate as a Prayer Partner

Prayer is an integral aspect of every step of the OCC gift box ministry. Sign up to become a prayer partner and pray with us for the Gospel to be spread worldwide through OCC gift boxes.



Sign-up today!

What kind of gifts are inside this small gift box that make children who receive them feel as if they have received the whole world?

It's because they have received an eternal gift - our Lord, Jesus Christ!





# CONNECT LEADERSHIP TEAM

## (YEAR-ROUND VOLUNTEERS)



### What is the Connect Leadership Team?

Volunteers of the Connect Leadership Team work year-round to promote and encourage participation in the OCC gift box ministry within their community. They play a crucial role in ensuring that children in unreached areas can experience the love of Jesus through the gift boxes.



### Reasons to Serve on the Connect Leadership Team

- Opportunity to spread the Gospel to over 100 countries
- Impact on children and families worldwide
- Global network
- Volunteer work tailored to your gifts



### What Role Might be a Fit for You?

Please consider serving in one of the following roles.

- **Team Leader:** Focuses on recruiting, leading, and developing teams of volunteers in order to accomplish the mission of Operation Christmas Child.
- **Church Relations:** Builds and cultivates relationships with local churches to participate in Operation Christmas Child, fulfilling the Great Commission through the ministry.
- **Prayer:** Mobilizes prayer in their area interceding for the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the ministry.
- **Logistics:** Collaborates in identifying and establishing potential drop-off centers in the area.
- **Community Relations:** Promotes OCC gift boxes and encourages participation at various local events and gatherings by engaging and equipping groups, businesses, and civic organizations.
- **Student Relations:** Serves on the student relations team as an advocate for Operation Christmas Child in schools, universities, and student organizations.

\*For more information, please visit the website.

\***Inquiries** | 02-2105-1800 (Ext.1) dm@samaritanspurse.or.kr









# GROUP PARTICIPATION KIT

## Promotional Items

\* Can be requested in the needed quantity



**X-banner and stand**



**Mini Banner**

A promotional banner that can be attached to the side of the master carton for promotion.



**Poster**

Use to encourage participation among church/organization members.

## Items for Participants

\* Sent according to the number of ordered OCC gift boxes



**OCC Gift Box**

Fold the boxes according to the printed instructions.



**OCC Gift Box Brochure**

Contains information about the OCC gift box ministry and how to pack the gift boxes.



**Rubber Bands**

Use to secure the gift boxes.



**Postcard**

Write a letter on the postcard thinking of the child who will receive the gift. You can also attach a photo of yourself.



**Donation envelopes**

Include your 20,000 KRW donation per gift box in the envelope and submit it to your church/organization.

## Items for the Group



**Group Participation Guide**

Ministry Guide for Churches/ Organizations

QTY 2



**Master Cartons**

Use to collect individual gift boxes. It can also be used for promotion and display purposes.

QTY 1 per 16 gift boxes

# SAMPLE PROMOTIONAL DISPLAYS

Refer to the photos below for ideas on how to set up promotional displays and information booths within your respective spaces!



## ONLINE RESOURCES

For more information, please scan the QR code below for additional resources and materials.

OCC Gift Box Website



OCC Gift Box Resource



OCC Youtube Channel







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