Biggin Hill Romania Group

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Information regarding the Christmas Gift Box Collection

The Biggin Hill Romania Group usually receives over 1,000 **Christmas gift boxes** each year to distribute in and around the area of Comanesti, Romania. If possible, we would love to collect even more, so that more youngsters will benefit and receive these lovely, gift-wrapped boxes that have been filled with presents and given with love. Ideally, we would like to receive them by the end of October. if delivered to Biggin Hill, as the boxes have to be packed, loaded and driven to Comanesti, so that they are ready for when volunteers go over to distribute them.

Please wrap the lid and base of the shoebox separately with Christmas wrapping paper, secure with two elastic bands and then tape the bottom part of the label to the top of the shoebox, not forgetting to indicate the age and gender the shoebox is intended for.

We usually have less boy boxes than girl boxes and fewer suitable for teenagers and so extra male teenager boxes would be most welcome. To help with the distribution of the shoeboxes it is also beneficial to have Unisex boxes that can be handed to either sex if we are short of boy or girl boxes. If you are able to assist with either of these that would be most helpful.

To help with the transportation costs, it would be appreciated if two £1 coins could be taped to the label on the outside of the box. (This is of course optional).

These gifts bring tremendous joy to the children who receive them. They also bring them the assurance that they are loved and valued.

We also collect **Family Boxes** to distribute to poor and destitute families in and around Comanesti. The listing gives a *suggested* list of contents, but this is not definitive, and it is not necessary to include everything. Family Boxes can be made up for a whole family or alternatively for a single person (either male, female or unisex). Any items of food within your Family Box should have a long shelf life - at least until April. Please ensure any food items such as flour, sugar, tomato sauce are adequately wrapped, to avoid ruining other items if they do get damaged in transit.

Please tick the items included and write any additional items on the list. Then tape the Contents part of the label to the top of the Family box, not forgetting to indicate who the box is intended for. Please complete the approximate weight of the box in the space provided if possible.

To help assist with the transportation costs, it would be appreciated if £5 could be handed in at the same time as the Family box. (This is of course optional). If you can let us have any boxes once they are ready it would be much appreciated. If you have any queries, at all, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your generous support.

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