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You Can't Beat God Giving!



Listen to the November 2023 True Girl MomCast featuring **Dannah Gresh, Janet Mylin, and Shani McKenzie.**

Then, read through this one sheet.

I remember when my mom was teaching me about giving. She showed me the scriptures in Malachi about the tithe and in 2 Corinthians about God loving a cheerful giver. But I'll never forget the phrase she'd say when I'd ask if I was "giving enough" or "giving too much"—*Shani, you can't beat God giving!*

I still remind myself of that simple truth now. I say it to my kids.

True Girl Mom, we can't beat God giving! Giving us what we need is just one of the ways God shows us how important we are to Him. In Matthew 6:25–26,

Jesus says:

"That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing? Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are?"

And we know that what God gives is not limited to material things. God provides love, grace, mercy, kindness, joy, and so much more. We want our daughters to live and love like Jesus, to show people how valuable they are to Him. We want to teach our girls that we are called to be givers, just like God.



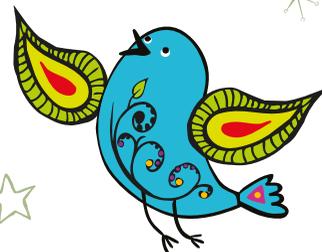
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This month, Mom, we get to do just that! We've partnered with Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child) to help encourage our daughters to show another girl how valuable she is to God. We've provided some starter items (and labels) for you and her to RE-pack her subscription box and send it to a girl who may have never been introduced to Jesus. Use your packing time to remind her that although a young girl will be blessed by the physical items, the most important thing you're providing is a demonstration of God's love.

Praying for great conversation and RE-packing time!



Blessings,
Shani McKenzie





PREPARING FOR YOUR NOVEMBER MOM+DAUGHTER DATE

SUBJECT:
Let's RE-Pack!

SETTING:

Anywhere in your house

MATERIALS YOU'LL NEED:

Bead-making kit (or another craft you can make and send)

Operation Christmas Child labels

Coloring page with prayer

Your Bibles

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* God Provides!



This month's mom+daughter connection experience is all about understanding how we can demonstrate God's love through giving. You and your daughter can make a difference in the life of another child through Operation Christmas Child and your empty True Girl box. Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for a child. For many, it is their first gift ever! You can RE-pack your True Girl boxes from previous months also! You and your girl can consider having a packing party with friends to RE-pack your True Girl boxes as a group!

Here's how to RE-pack your box:

- 1 Empty your True Girl box.** While you can use any average-size cardboard or plastic shoebox, your True Girl box is the perfect size! Start by emptying your box completely.
- 2 Attach your label.** Attach the adhesive boy/girl label that was included in your box. Use the label to indicate on your shoebox that you are packing for a girl in the following age categories: 5–9 or 10–14.
- 3 Fill with gifts.** We've provided a few starter items for you to RE-pack.
 - ♥ Start by packing the lamb plushie (give it a little squeeze...it sings).
 - ♥ Make a bracelet to go in the box using the bead kit we provide. Then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.
 - ♥ Have your girl trace her handprint and write a prayer on the activity page provided.
 - ♥ Don't forget to also include a personal note and photo—sometimes these are the child's favorite things to receive!
 - ♥ If you need more supplies and ideas, check out www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/
- 4 Read Matthew 6:25-26 and pray.** Talk to your daughter about God's provision and how giving to others helps show them His love. Most importantly take time to pray together with your mom for the child who will receive your shoebox gift. Pray that:
 - ♥ Their family is also receptive to the Good News of Jesus Christ.
 - ♥ They would get connected to the church who delivers your shoebox gift.
 - ♥ Their community will be transformed by the Gospel.
- 5 Activate your label:** A donation of \$10 per box will cover shipping and other project costs. Activating your label will also allow you to "follow your box" and discover the destination of your gift! *Even if you are not able to send the gift internationally, please consider RE-packing your box for a local organization or girl in need.*
- 6 Drop off:** Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during National Collection Week, November 13–20, 2023. You can find your nearest drop off location here. <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations/>

* We can't wait to see photos of you and your daughter RE-packing your boxes with love! Be sure to post them to Instagram or Facebook and tag True Girl or Dannah Gresh.

