



Dear OLM Friends,

When a parent or guardian is struggling, the last thing on their mind may be Christmas. But each year, we get the opportunity to take the burden off of struggling families by helping them give their children everything from basic needs like coats and shoes to gifts for every child in the household. Your support makes Christmas a time of celebration and wonder for children, families, and singles who may have no one else to provide for them in this special season. We are thankful for all of your work to reach families and individuals in need this holiday season and throughout the year!

Sincerely,

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### **Christmas Basket Donation Drive**

Please let us know which items you will be focusing on so that we can avoid having too much or too little of any particular item. Designated financial donations are also welcome. With your help, OLM will provide Christmas baskets for over 250 families!

#### **Christmas Basket Food Items:**

Meat (half hams, whole chickens/turkeys)

Canned Corn, Green Beans, Carrots

Boxed Stuffing

Instant Potatoes & Gravy

Butter & Dinner Rolls

Canned Fruit or Canned Cranberries

Canned Yams

Marshmallows

#### **Christmas Basket Basic Need Items:**

Dish & Laundry Soap

Full Sized Body Wash

Full Sized Shampoo/Conditioner

Toilet Tissue/Paper Towels/

Cleaning Products

Razors, Shaving Cream

Deodorant/Feminine Hygiene Products

Socks, Coats, Gloves, Scarves

#### **Donation Schedule:**

**Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>:** update us on estimates of how much you have of each item you have collected.

**Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>:** all financial commitments & food donations needed to finalize inventory/purchasing

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup>:** all gift donations that are not being given directly to a family must be dropped off at Operation Love Ministries