

Haiti “Buckets of Hope” Food Relief Instructions



Please make sure you follow the list below when packing your bucket.

- 1 – 5 gallon plastic bucket with lid
- 2 – 5-pound bags long grain enriched rice (smaller bags totaling 10 pounds are acceptable)
- 1 – 48-ounce plastic bottle cooking oil
- 2 – 2-pound bags dry red or black beans (smaller bags totaling 4 pounds are acceptable)
- 1 – 5-pound bag of all-purpose flour (not self-rising)
- 1 – 16 or 20-ounce cylinder container of granulated white sugar (coffee service size)
- 2 – 1-pound boxes spaghetti noodles
- 1 – 40oz. plastic jar smooth peanut butter
- 1 – white kitchen trash can size plastic bag (which will be used to wrap the bottle of cooking oil)

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Instructions for Packing Your Bucket

You may view a video on the church website which demonstrates the correct way to pack the bucket with the food.

1. As you pack the bucket, pray for the Haitian family that will receive the food.
2. Lay bucket on its side.
3. Place rice packages in bucket. Lay bags side-by-side and flat running in the direction of top to bottom of bucket. Gently compress the bags (without breaking them) as flat as possible to create room for other items.
4. Place bottle of oil inside a clean, unused trash bag and wrap the excess portion of the bag tightly around the bottle. (This is a precaution to protect the food items should there be leakage or a break in the bottle during transport.)
5. Lay the bottle of oil on top of the rice bags. Lay the wrapped oil container so that the bottom of the bottle is at the bottom of the bucket and is approximately in the center of the bucket.
6. Place the peanut butter jar on one side of the oil.
7. Place the cylinder of sugar on top of the wrapped oil bottle.
8. Place boxes of spaghetti noodles on the other side of the oil bottle.
9. While holding the sugar and peanut butter containers in place, stand bucket upright .
10. Place one bag of beans down along the inside of the bucket next to the peanut butter.
11. Place bag of flour on its side on top of the peanut butter, gently packing down the flour bag to clear the rim of the bucket.
12. Place second bag of beans next to the flour on top of the peanut butter.
13. Close lid on the bucket and make sure it is securely closed.
14. Place \$5 to \$10 cash (bills only) into a business size (#10) or smaller envelope. Seal the envelope. Securely tape the envelope to the lid of the bucket.

Take the filled “Bucket of Hope” to the church collection center by February 20, 2010.