



Roberts' Church "Giving Back" Mission Project

Blessing Boxes are anonymous donation sites stocked with non-perishable food items, basic toiletries, baby supplies, and anything else that might be considered a blessing to someone who finds themselves in need. It is a 24-hour accessible location for community members to donate or receive goods. The concept is easy, *give what you can and take what you need*. Whether you are taking or giving, the blessing box, is not locked – it is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Our goal is to maintain Roberts' "Blessing Box", serve our community and be a blessing to someone in need. As the hands and feet of Jesus and with the power of the Holy Spirit, we strive to create a world that better reflects the love and justice of God's realm.

Jesus calls us to minister to those in need. In Matthew 25: (34-40) Jesus says:

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

There is no better way to reach out within a community than one small act of kindness at a time. "Blessing Boxes" can make that difference. They present a low-cost way to help those within the community.

Roberts' "Blessing Box" is located at the entrance to the Providence Church Community Trail off Providence Church Rd. Address: 1000 Providence Church Rd, Anderson, SC 29626.

Anyone can donate to the "Blessing Box", either by leaving items in the box, or if it's too full, dropping them off inside the church building during regular business hours (Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 – 5:30 pm) or Sunday mornings. Visitors to our building are also encouraged to help restock the box anytime they notice it is low.

Items you can donate to the Blessing Box:

***** All items should be new, unopened, and pop top lids when possible*****

Food Items: Granola bars, breakfast cereal (individual boxes/cups), instant oatmeal (cups/packets), ramen, mac & cheese (cups/boxes), peanut butter & cracker packs, cheese & cracker packs, instant coffee singles, hot cocoa packets, Kool-Aid mixes, pasta (individual servings), chips (individual bags), rice, dried beans, peanut butter, pudding/jello cups, fruit cups, canned vegetables, soups, rice, noodle dishes, potato dishes, single serving canned meats, bottled water, Gatorade and individual canned/bottle juices.

Personal Items: bar soap, deodorant, wet wipes, shaving cream, laundry soap powder (small boxes), toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, feminine sanitary products, shampoo, lotion & dish soap.