

GIVING BACK PACK

 **LightTheWorld**
A FUN GIVING MACHINE
GUIDEBOOK FOR FAMILIES



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A vending machine with heart



LightTheWorld
**Giving
Machine**
Albuquerque

The Light The World Giving Machine has dispensed joy across the world! Thank you for being a part of this wonderful initiative, we are so excited for Albuquerque 2025! The Giving Machine creates a unique and meaningful opportunity for us as members of the church and our community to participate in service and provide essential items for those struggling locally and globally. Ranging from \$5 to \$250, donors can purchase items including food, clothing, vaccines, books and more. Choose an item - change a life!



Simply press the button of your chosen item, tap your card, and a large charity Card representing your item drops into the display bin. A digital receipt is dispensed, and a feeling of joy that NO CANDY BAR will equal. We cover all operational costs to ensure participating charities receive 100% of every donation. Each city works with local charities to select five needs they each have to be represented in the Giving Machine. The Giving Machine has raised approximately \$50 million globally.



Cottonwood Mall

December 12 - January 1



ALBUQUERQUE CHARITY PARTICIPANTS 2025

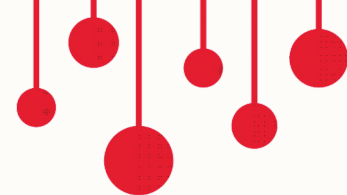
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HIGH FIVE TO GIVING | 5 WAYS TO GET INVOLVED



1. GATHER

Organize a fun day or evening with family and friends and come visit the Giving Machine. Create memories and enjoy a fun free event happening near the Giving Machine.



2. VOLUNTEER

Choose a charity to serve, it can be one of the charities in the Giving Machine or you can find more opportunities at www.justserve.org.



3. SHARE

Share photos and messages about the Giving Machines on social media. President Nelson asked us to share positive messages on socials, this is the perfect way. Let's light up social media with images of Giving Machines FOLLOW @abqgivingmachine LIKE, COMMENT, SHARE POSTS regularly.



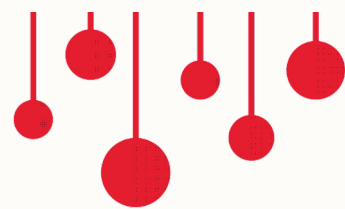
4. SAVE

This is where we as families can get creative. You could create a Giving Machine Jar and create meaningful opportunities to give back through the Giving Machines. It may be baking cookies, mowing a neighbors lawn, washing cars, babysitting or some Christmas baking! Get creative! Tag us in photos and use hashtag #abqgivingmachine and @abqgivingmachine.



5. DONATE

If your circumstances allow, help those in need from just \$5. Give the gift of food, clothing or life saving medicine! Check out the list of items in this guidebook and see how you can make a difference with just one drop.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What makes these vending machines unique?

Instead of buying snacks, donors can choose to give an item or service to someone in need. Each donation drops a card into a glass display bin at the bottom of the machine, and all funds go directly to the charities for the purchase of these items.

Who do the donations benefit?

The Giving Machine will allow donors to purchase any of several much-needed items for people served by a variety of local and global charity partners. The vending machine will keep track of all donations, making sure that each charity receives the exact amount donated.

What can I donate using the Giving Machines?

Each Giving Machine location features a unique mix of items representing local and global charities.

Do the Giving Machines take cash?

The Giving Machines accept credit/debit Cards, apple and google pay.

How is my money used?

One hundred percent of your donation will be used to fund the item(s) you purchased. In rare cases, the charities will obtain permission to use the funds for similar items or services of greater need. You will have the option to cover the credit card transaction fees. If you select not to pay them, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will cover these fees so the charities receive your full donation.

How much have the Giving Machines raised?

Since Giving Machines were introduced in 2017, compassionate donors have given more than \$50 million to provide aid for individuals through local and global charities.

What items or charities need the most donations?

Each global and local cause has pressing needs. If you're wondering what to donate, consider learning about the charities ahead of time. You might find a cause that resonates with you.

Can I donate online?

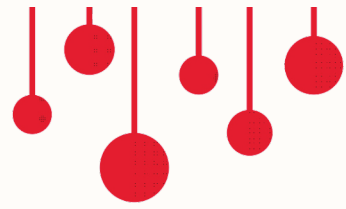
You can visit www.abqgivingmachine.org to learn more about each participating charity and donate through their respective websites although this is direct to the charity and not through the Giving Machine.

Where are all of the Giving Machines locations?

This year's Albuquerque Giving Machine is in **Cottonwood Mall**

What is Light The World?

Light The World is a global Christmas initiative that encourages people to spread kindness, love and encourages people to spread kindness, love and compassion during the holiday season. Each year, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints promotes the #LightTheWorld initiative, inviting individuals to give back in meaningful ways. From small acts of kindness to community service, everyone can contribute to making a difference. One standout feature of the initiative is the Giving Machine, which provide a simple and convenient way to turn generosity into action.



ABOUT THE CHARITIES

We have five local charities and two global charities participating in the Albuquerque Giving Machine. Learn how they are helping others in the community and making a difference.

LOCAL



Bethel Storehouse

Christ centered non-profit mission supplying food, clothing and more for those in need in the Estancia Valley area of central New Mexico.

Barrett Foundation



Since 1985, Barrett Foundation has been committed to ending the experience of homelessness for women, children, and families by providing shelter, housing, and supportive services.

Cuidando Los Ninos



Breaks the cycle of homelessness for children and families by providing high-quality early childhood education, workforce development, case management, supportive housing, and parent education, so families can thrive.

Haven House



Helps domestic violence victims gain immediate safety plus the knowledge, skills and resources to succeed in lives free of violence.

Saranam



Works to transform families and break the cycle of generational homelessness and poverty through a proven, two-year program that provides housing, food, education and training. Saranam offers a place of refuge, a supportive community, help healing, and hope for a brighter future.

GLOBAL

Church World Service



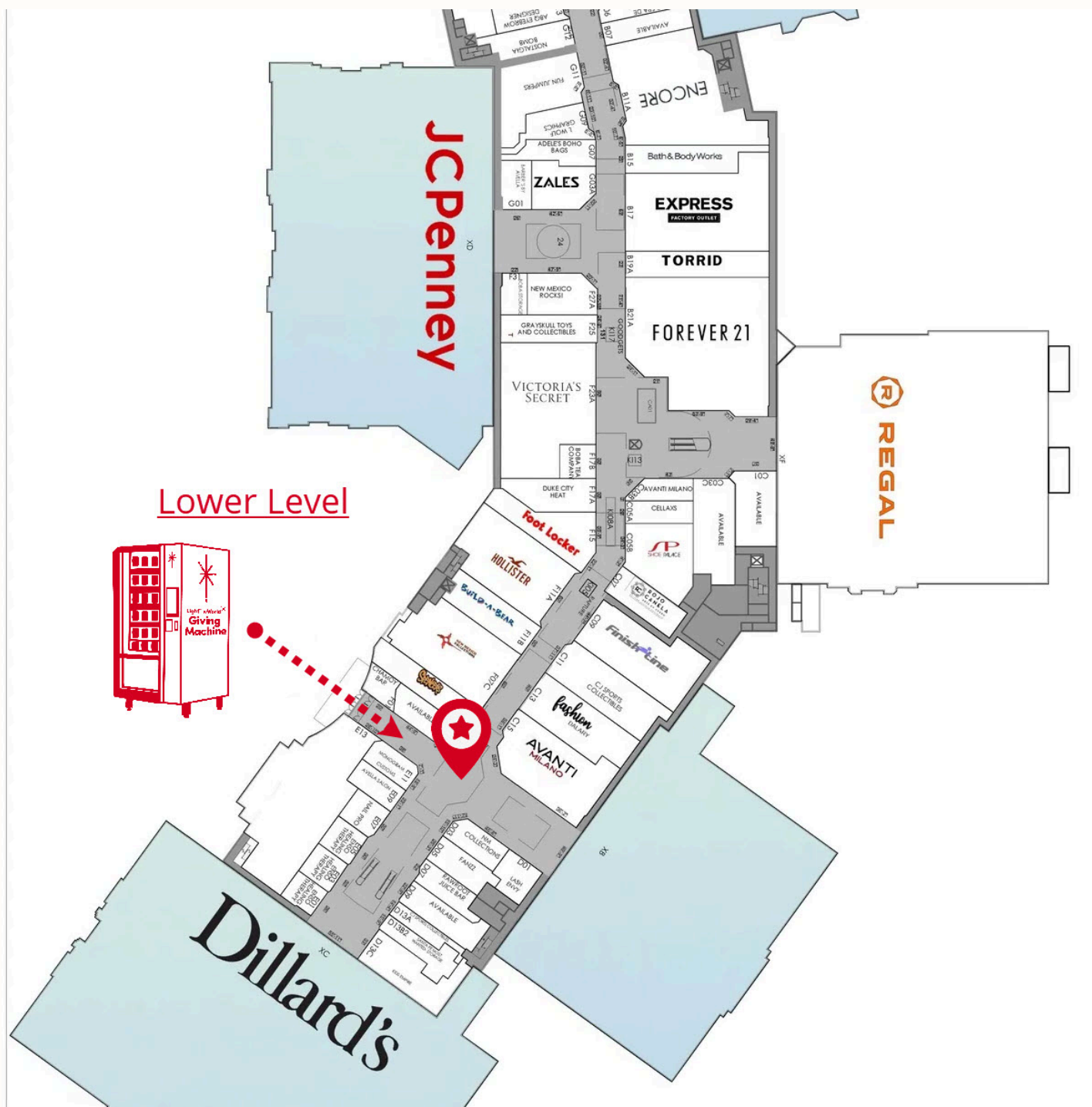
Faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. They envision a world where all have food, a voice and a safe place to call home.

Days for Girls



Works to eliminate the stigma and limitations associated with menstruation so that women and girls have improved health, education and livelihoods. They have reached over 3.5 million women and girls across the globe with life-changing menstrual health solutions.

MAP AND PARKING





FAMILY LESSON PLAN

Joy of Giving



SONG

Sing a song related to service, such as "I'm Trying to Be Like Jesus" OR Christmas song such as "Joy to the World"



SCRIPTURE

Read Matthew 25:35-40 and Mosiah 2:17
When we serve others, we are serving God.
Question: How can we serve and give to others?



LESSON

Question: What does giving mean to you?
Question: Think about a time when someone has served you?
Question: How has this made you feel?

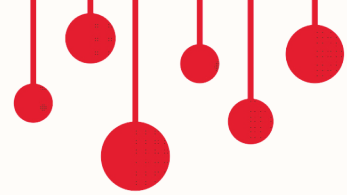


ACTIVITY IDEAS

Create a Giving Machine Jar - Use a recycled jar. Make a Giving Machine Jar label for the front of the jar. Make a list of meaningful fundraising opportunities. Add donations and take to a giving machine. Send GivingMachineJar and fundraising photosto @abqgivingmachine.



3D Giving Machine Christmas Ornament - Print off the Giving Machine Christmas Ornament in this guidebook and create a little Giving Machine for your tree. Or you can donate a gift for someone this Christmas and gift them the ornament and the gift tag to represent what you donated for them.
Great Teachers Gift idea too!



GIVING MACHINE ORNAMENT

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

SUPPLIES

Cardstock

scissors

x-acto knife

hot glue gun

string or ornament hooks



1. Print the giving machine on photo paper or cardstock. Be sure to print at 100% size. Score on the dotted lines and cut on the solid lines.
2. Use and x-acto knife to cut along the solid lines on the back of the machine to create your card flap.
3. To create an ornament, poke a hole in the center of the start at the top of the giving machine and thread your string through before gluing.
4. Fold the giving machine into its box shape. Use hot glue or a glue stick to adhere the tabs.
5. Avoid putting glue on the bottom flap so you can easily open and close the machine. It should hold on its own but you can also use a small piece of tape to secure it in place.
6. Cut out the #LightTheWorld cards along the solid lines. Use a thumb tack to poke a hole in the top and thread the stack of cards on an ornament hook.

HOW TO USE THE GIVING MACHINE:

1. Set a service goal as a family or group. Cut out enough cards to accomplish the goal. Place the cards near your machine so they're easily accessible.
2. Print the '50 ideas to share your light' printable to help inspire simple service ideas.
3. As you do acts of service, write them down on a card and slide them through the slot on your giving machine.
4. Sometime during your Christmas celebrations, open your Giving Machine and talk through the service you were able to accomplish. Talk about your experiences and how small acts of service helped you "Give As He Gave".
5. Bundle your cards together and add the year on the back. Store them inside your Giving Machine until next year.

#LIGHTTHEWORLD: GIVING MACHINE ORNAMENT

Print on heavy cardstock or photo paper with your printer's best quality settings
Cut on the solid lines. Fold on the dotted lines. Poke a hole in the center of the top star to add an ornament hook.
Use glue or tape to secure the box shape. Glue the top flap but leave the bottom flap unglued for easy access to the cards.



#LIGHTTHEWORLD: GIVING MACHINE CARDS

Print on heavy cardstock or copy paper. Trim on solid lines and punch hole in the top. Hang the stack on an ornament hook and place it near your Giving Machine or simply tuck the blank cards inside the machine.

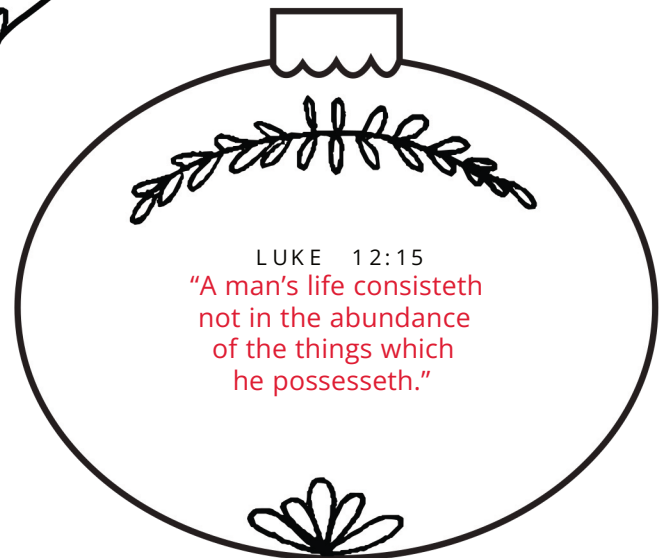
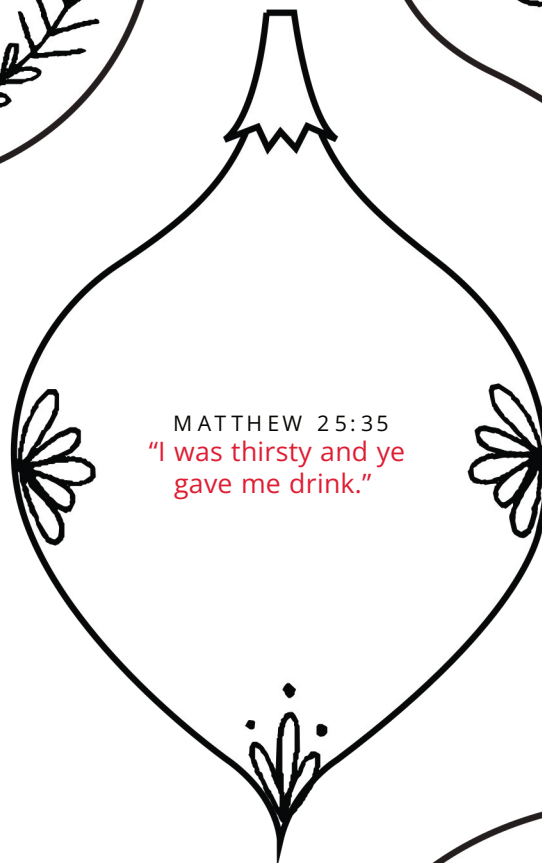
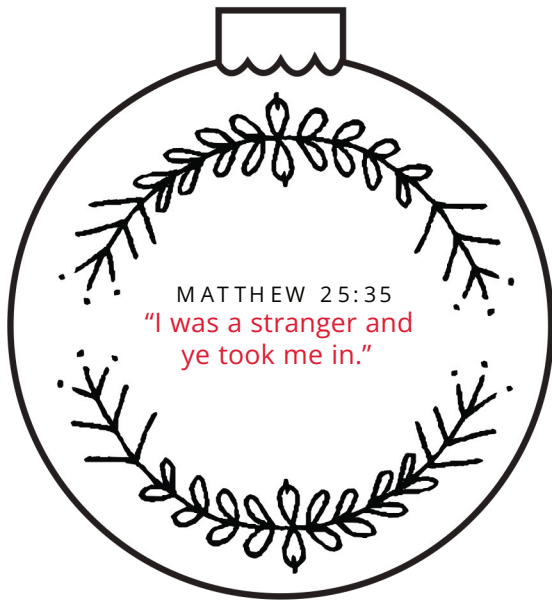
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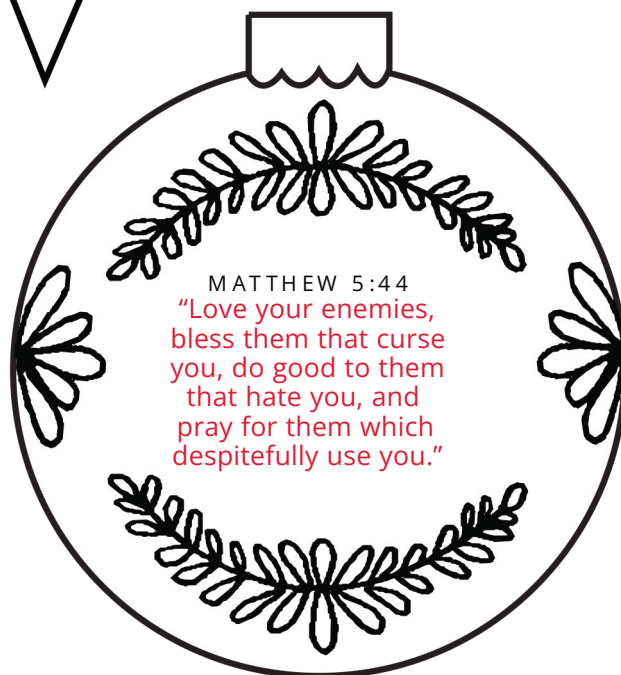
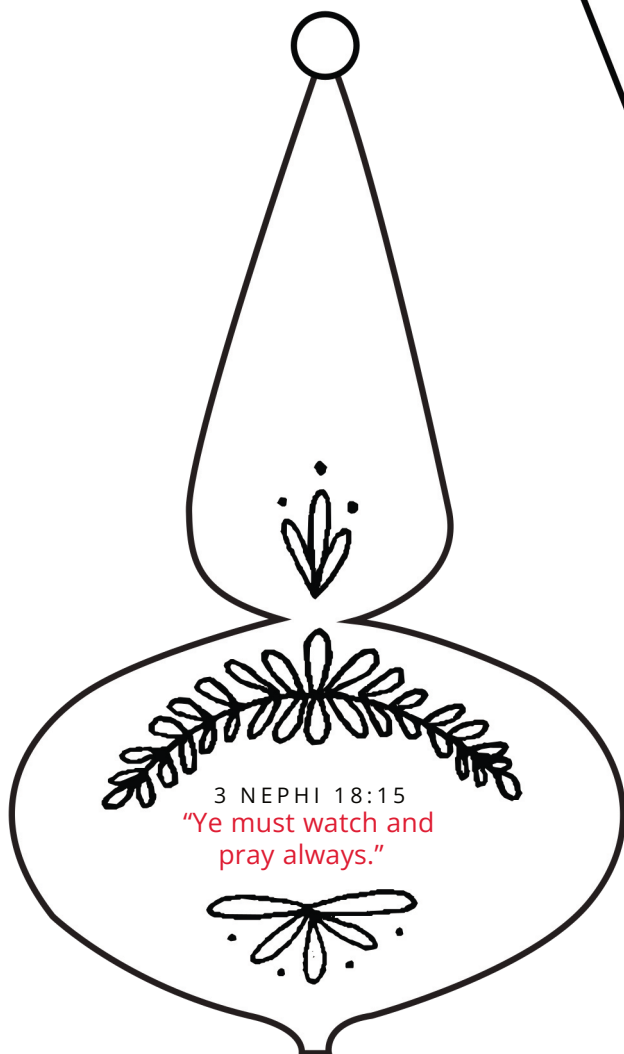
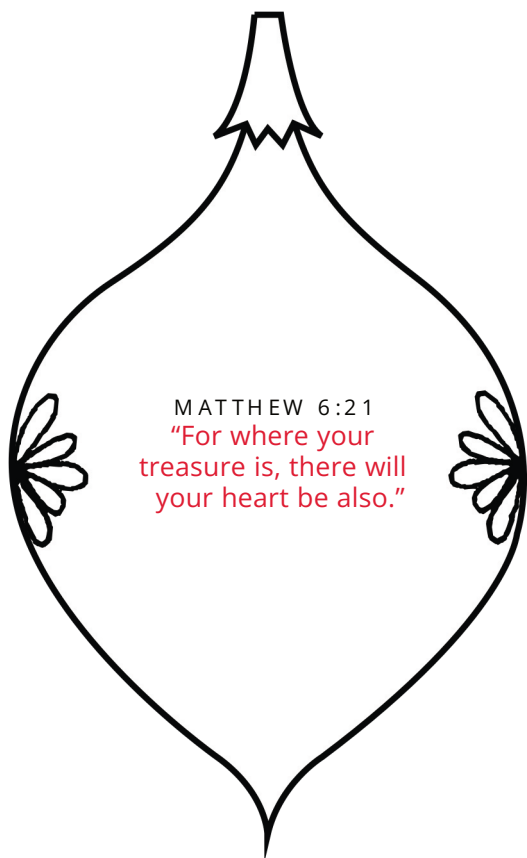


50 WAYS TO LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

- 1 Give your favorite book to a loved one.
- 2 Donate cans to your local food bank.
- 3 Smile at someone.
- 4 Leave a kind note for your mail carrier.
- 5 Invite a neighbor to a worship service.
- 6 Watch The Christ Child with family or friends.
- 7 Leave an uplifting comment on social media.
- 8 Visit with an elderly neighbor.
- 9 Text someone, "I'm grateful for you."
- 10 Tell a loved one they matter to you.
- 11 Be kind to yourself. Practice self-care.
- 12 Cleanup trash in your community.
- 13 Send a funny meme or video to a friend.
- 14 Make a meal with a family member.
- 15 Go caroling with a group.
- 16 Take a walk with a friend.
- 17 Offer to teach someone a new skill.
- 18 Hold the door open for a stranger.
- 19 Host a family game night.
- 20 Pray for someone by name.
- 21 Volunteer at your local library.
- 22 Pay for the person behind you at the store.
- 23 Give a hug to a friend.
- 24 Forgive someone.
- 25 Invite others to a Christmas celebration.
- 26 Call someone you miss.
- 27 Learn to say "Merry Christmas" in a new language.
- 28 Carry an extra snack for someone in need.
- 29 Send a homemade Christmas card to a friend.
- 30 Plan some one-on-one time with a loved one.
- 31 Let a stranger go ahead of you in line.
- 32 Be patient with waitstaff and customer service.
- 33 Contribute to the Giving Machines locally or online.
- 34 Text a photo of a fond memory to a family member.
- 35 Learn how another culture celebrates Christmas.
- 36 Complete an item on a loved one's to-do list.
- 37 Ask a coworker how you can lighten their load.
- 38 Post about a loved one using #LightTheWorld.
- 39 Share a link to a holiday song that you love.
- 40 Help someone research their family genealogy.
- 41 Make a Christmas playlist and share it with a friend.
- 42 Send a thank-you note to a healthcare worker.
- 43 Stop to help someone who is having car trouble.
- 44 Leave a gift on a neighbor's doorstep.
- 45 Support a local small business.
- 46 Give your neighbor a compliment.
- 47 Let someone else be kind to you.
- 48 Help a loved one clean their home.
- 49 Apologize to someone.
- 50 Laugh with a friend.

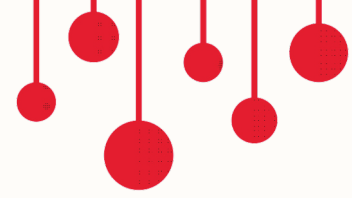






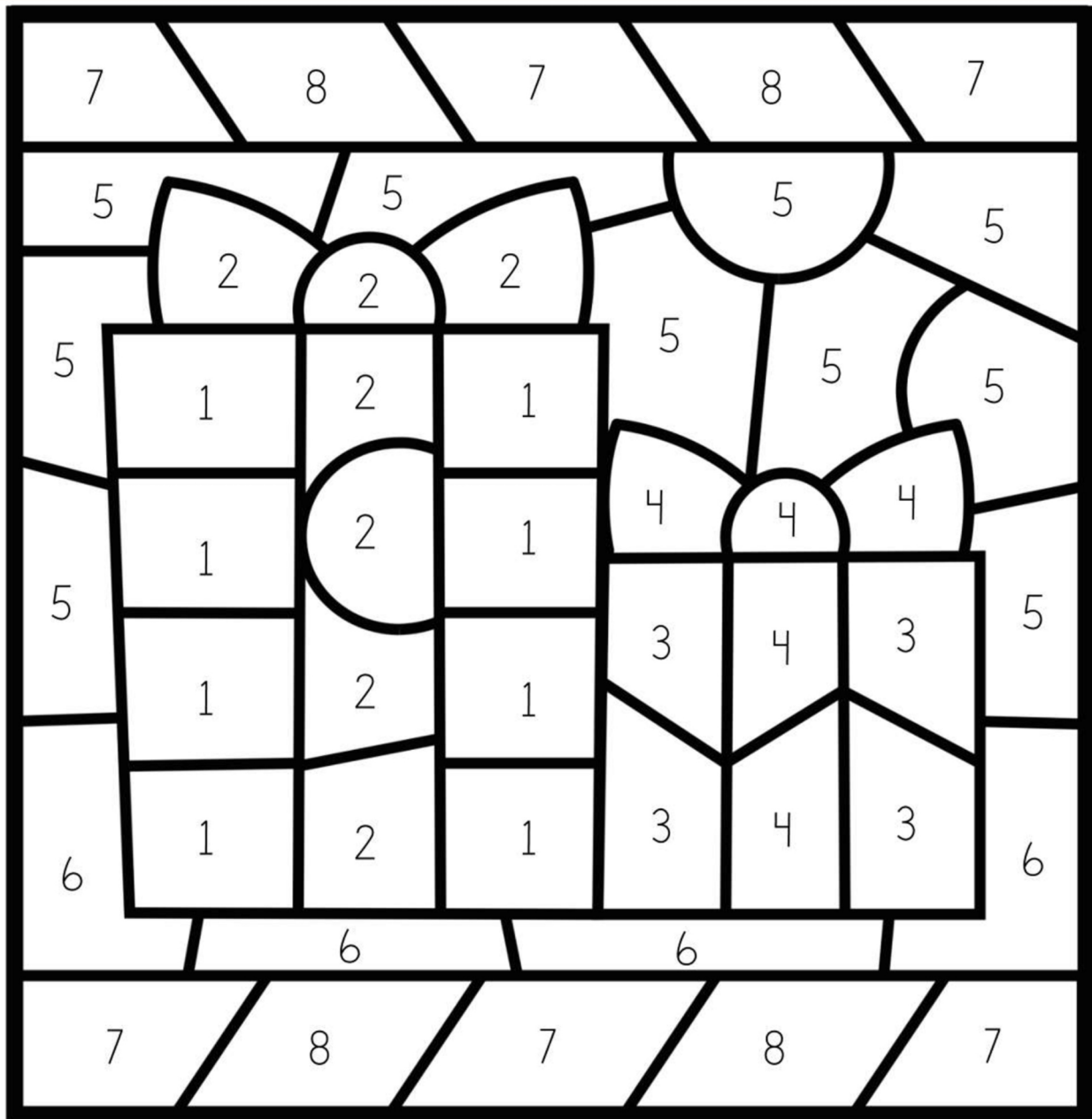






CHRISTMAS COLOR BY NUMBERS

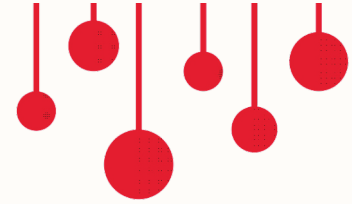
What gifts will you give someone this Christmas?



1- PURPLE
 2 - ORANGE
 3 - GREEN

4 - BLUE
 5 - YELLOW
 6 - BROWN

7 - RED
 8 - WHITE



GIVING MACHINE WORD FIND

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KINDNESS
CHARITY
JESUS
DONATE
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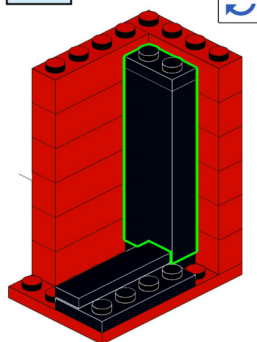
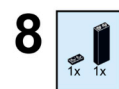
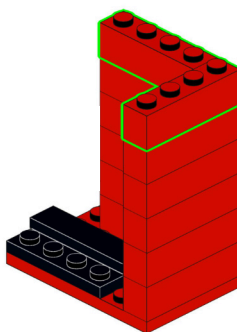
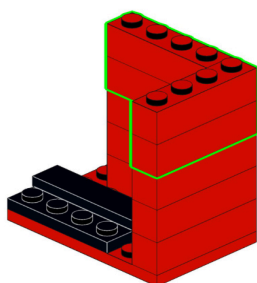
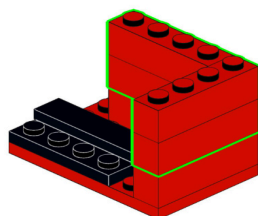
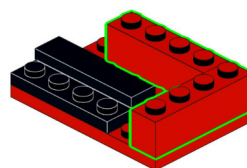
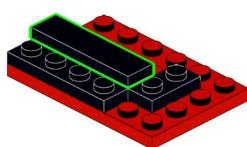
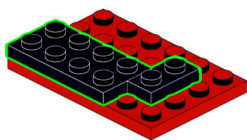
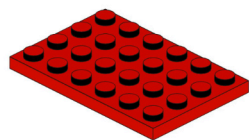
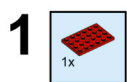


LightTheWorld^{*} Giving Machine

Building Set Instructions

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@wyliebricks on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube



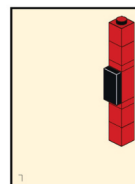
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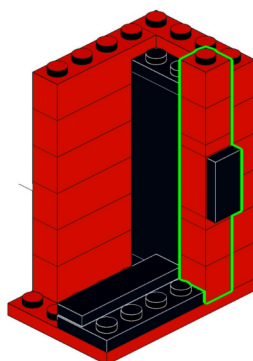
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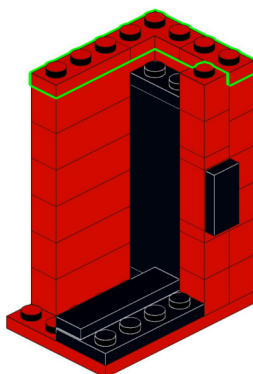
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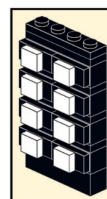
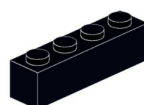
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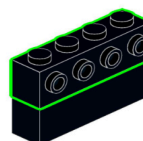
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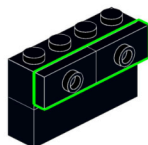
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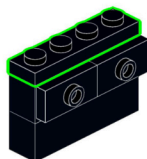
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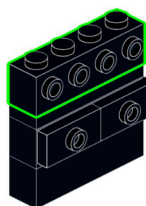
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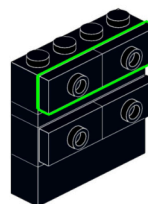
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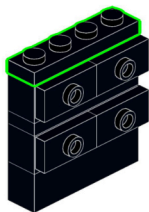
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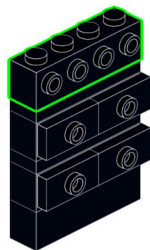
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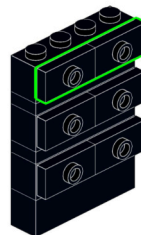
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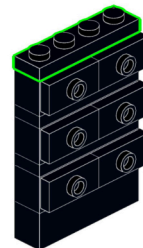
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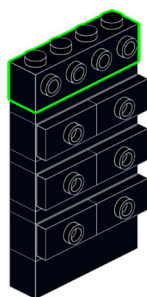
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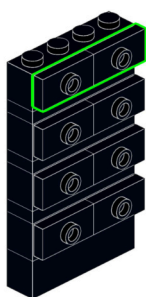
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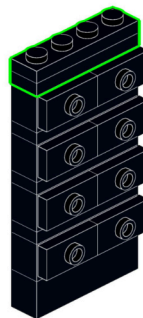
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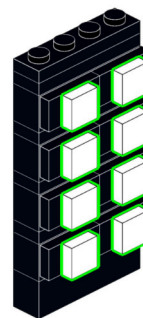
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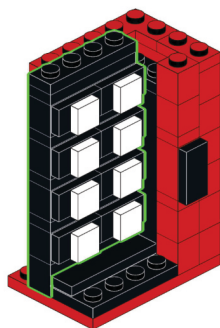
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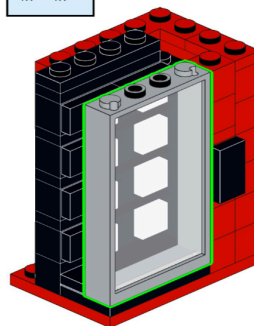
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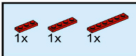


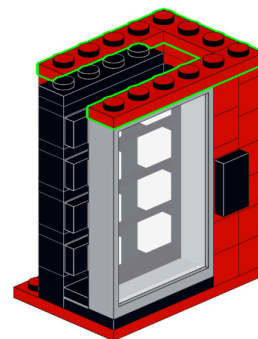
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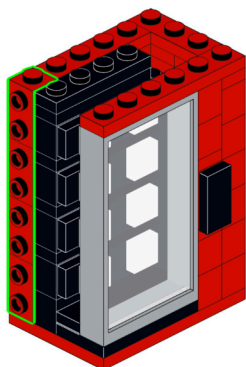
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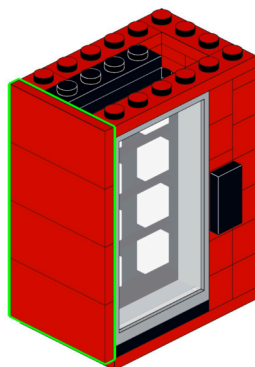
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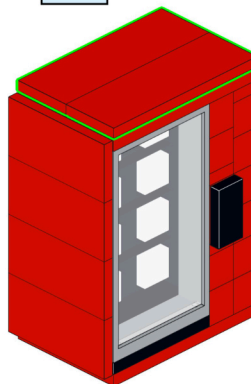
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