

Be a Blessing

On Saturday, December 14th we are expecting more than 22,000 people at four Toys for Joy locations: Lincoln High School, Cajon Valley Middle School, Guajome Park Academy, and Castle Park High School.

Toys for Joy is an exciting day that thousands of families look forward to each year, some even line up the night before to ensure their spot in line. The morning kicks off as families enter into the Gospel stage area for an opportunity to receive Christ as their Savior and prayer. Next, families wind their way through a line of high fives and smiles up to the toy room, an area overflowing with thousands of toys.

It is through your generosity that last year almost 15,000 people - children and their families - participated in the toy experience. And the day doesn't stop at toys! Families are given bags of groceries, lunch, and clothing (at Lincoln site). Children and family members can get a fresh haircut and enjoy face painting, nail painting, kids activities and more.

Please join us in blessing San Diego families in need. Of the county's 3.2 million residents, 486,000 people face food insecurity every day. Of this number, 163,000 are children. Nearly 19 percent of San Diego County's children are living in poverty. Since 2006, there has been an increase of more than 94,000 people living on incomes below the poverty line, enough to fill two Petco Park Stadiums.

TO GIVE, VOLUNTEER, AND PARTNER TEXT "TOYS" TO 52525 OR STOP BY THE TOY STORE IN THE LOBBY TODAY



SENIOR PASTOR, ROCK CHURCH

Miles McPherson

A former defensive back with the San Diego Chargers, Miles is the Senior Pastor of Rock Church and author of The Third Option: Hope for a Racially Divided Nation, which explains that we must learn to see people not by the color of their skin but as God sees them—humans created in the image of God. Pastor Miles is also the founder of DoSomethingChurch.org, a vibrant affiliation dedicated to establishing pervasive hope in communities through proactive community service.







Why We Give?

God is the ultimate giver who gave the most precious gift imaginable, His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for our sins. Our lives are transformed by the gospel of Christ, and the act of giving changes us, making us more like our generous Creator.

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MISSION

Save, Equip, Send Establish global pervasive hope

LOCATIONS Point Loma, San Ysidro, San Marcos. City Heights, East County, Online, Microsites

SERVICE TIMES

8am, 10am, 12pm, 6pm Deaf Interpretation | 10am, Point Loma Spanish Service | 2:30pm, East County Watch online SDROCK.COM/LIVE







SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 1 9AM-2PM

Guajome Park Academy

2000 N. Santa Fe. Vista. CA 92083

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Lincoln High School

4777 Imperial Ave., San Diego, CA 92113

EAST COUNTY

Cajon Valley Middle School

550 E. Park Ave., El Cajon, CA 92020

SOUTH COUNTY

Castle Park High School

1395 Hilltop Dr., Chula Vista, CA 91911







TOY STORE

LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE TOYS IN OUR LOBBY STORE THIS SUNDAY!

Stop by our dedicated toy store in the lobby today to purchase a gift for only \$7 (a \$20 retail value) or choose from the following toy bundles.

*After today, toy donations can be received until 5pm on Dec 12th at each campus location. San Ysidro toy drop off will be at Rock Church Tierra Del Rey Ministry Center.

\$**50**

- 3 Toys for the kids
- Lunch for a family of 5

\$75

- 2 toys for the kids
- Lunch
- Groceries for a family of 4

\$100

• 95 Spanish New Testaments to give away at event

\$275

- 4 toys for the kids
- Lunch
- Grocerie
- Clothing for a family of 6

\$**500**

 Groceries for 100 families wholesale price!

\$1000

• Full pallet of 145 toys!



For more events and info, visit sdrock.com/events

December 14
Toys for Joy

Four Locations
Text "TOYS" to 52525

December 20 Living Nativity

Show Times: 6pm, 7:30pm
Point Loma
sdrock.com/livingnativity

December 21 Living Nativity

Show Times: 3pm, 4:30pm, 6pm Point Loma sdrock.com/livingnativity December 22 Christmas Services

8am, 10am, 12pm, 6pm All Campuses

December 24 Christmas Eve Service

4pm | All Campuses



NEEDED: 900 TOYS

WE CAN USE YOUR HELP!

In order to serve the expected 22,000 people at Toys for Joy this year, we still need over 1,000 more volunteers to sign up and 3,000 more physical toys donated to provide every child (0-11yrs) that will attend our Toys for Joy event next week. The greatest need is toys for children ages 4-7yrs old. Be the physical expression of God's love this Christmas.

TO PARTICIPATE, TEXT "TOYS" TO 52525.



Lincoln High School NEEDED: 900 TOYS

In the past 22 years we've served

166,900 children and families!

Please encourage your friends

and family to become a part of

Toys for Joy this year, too.



Castle Park High School **NEEDED: 400 TOYS**

Cajon Valley

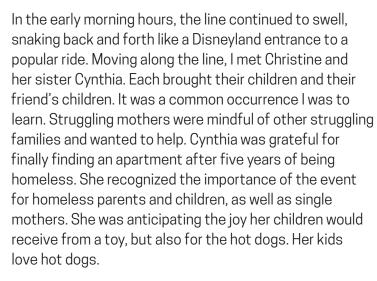
Middle School

NEEDED: 800 TOYS

FEATURED STORY

To Belong

By Lawrence A. Wood



As our conversation continued, her sister, Christine, found it "amazing that so many people would spend the time to give and not get paid." I asked how it made her feel, and she said it made her recognize there are people who really care.

Throughout the grounds there were huge signs welcoming everyone to Toys for Joy. However, just below those towering words was the slogan, "It's More Than a Toy." What was "the More"? Everyone I spoke with possessed a giving spirit. Parents bringing other children than their own. Volunteers waiting to see the excitement in the children's eyes. Rock Church members eager to tell their story in order to reach someone and let them know they were not alone in their struggle. There was an answer, for pain.

Everyone was helping others and it became clear, and I wish everyone knew that it is impossible to help someone and not be helped yourself. In helping others, we let them know they belong. A loving God made it so.

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