

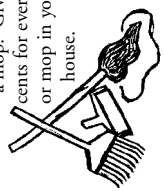

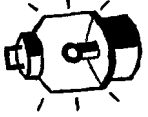
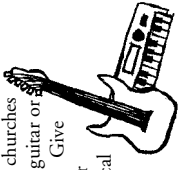
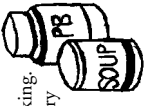

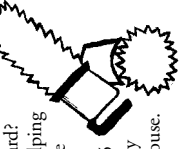


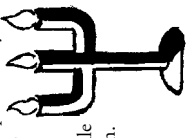

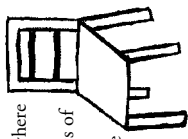



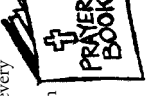

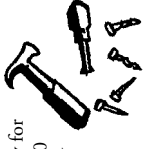
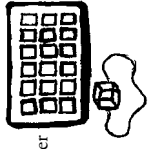
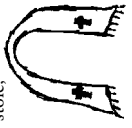
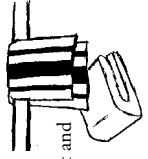








A Giving Calendar for the Katrina Church Recovery Appeal

This Giving Calendar is a fun way for you or your family to make an offering to the Katrina Church Recovery Appeal while you learn how contributions help others. Make your own bank (a milk jug or a coffee container will do). Mark the dates on this calendar for four weeks before the Sunday your congregation will receive an offering for the Katrina Church Recovery Appeal. Each day participate in a different activity. Create a pattern of giving as you learn about the needs of others. Reproduce on 8 1/2" x 11" paper and distribute to the congregation. Follow directions on the calendar and watch the gifts add up!

<p>DATE</p> <p>When Hurricane Katrina hit, many people lost simple things such as soap for a shower. Give 10 cents for every bar or bottle of bath soap in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>What do you use when the electricity goes out? Battery-operated devices! Give 5 cents for every battery in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Imagine trying to clean muddy floors without a broom or mop. Give 25 cents for every broom or mop in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>When we go to church, we expect to find Bibles—lots of them. Give 5 cents for every Bible in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>You probably have lamps for reading. When electricity is not available, people need camping lanterns. Give 10 cents for every lamp in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Do you have an organ in your sanctuary? Many churches lack even a guitar or keyboard. Give 10 cents for every musical instrument in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Think of how easy it is to fix a meal. After a storm, people need food that doesn't require refrigeration or cooking. Give 5 cents for every container of ready-to-eat food in your house.</p> 
<p>DATE</p> <p>Who cleans your church? What if they had nothing with which to clean? Give 10 cents for every bottle of cleaner in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>What if a tree blew onto your house or into your yard? Volunteers helping with hurricane cleanup need saws. Give 25 cents for every saw in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Water is absolutely necessary for survival. After the hurricane hit, many people lost access to safe drinking water. Give 5 cents for every bottle of water and every faucet in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>"Just plug it in," we say. But when a storm knocks out the power, generators are needed for long-term use. Give 5 cents for every electrical outlet in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>We want our place of worship, whether simple or fancy, to glorify God. Give 10 cents for every candle in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>When disaster strikes, people often get cuts and scrapes, but they may not have a first-aid kit. Give 1 cent for every bandage and every tube of ointment in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>What if you went to church and there was nowhere to sit? That happened to lots of people after the hurricane. Give 1 cent for every chair or pew in your church.</p> 
<p>DATE</p> <p>Consider how useful a flashlight is, especially when no electricity is available. Give 10 cents for every flashlight in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>When we gather for Holy Communion, we affirm "we are the church together." Many congregations lost communion ware in Hurricane Katrina. Give 25 cents for every chalice and paten in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Hungry? So are residents and volunteers cleaning up after a storm strikes. Give 10 cents for every snack in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>"Take time to be holy," the familiar hymn suggests, and that is good advice. Give 10 cents for every prayer book or devotional guide in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Battery-powered radios are a great way to warn people of impending storms. Give 25 cents for every radio or boom box in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>How would you repair your hurricane-damaged church or parsonage if you had no tools? That's a reality for many. Give 10 cents for every hammer or screwdriver in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>It's difficult to keep perishable food safe without a refrigerator. Give 10 cents for every ice-cube tray or icemaker in your house.</p> 
<p>DATE</p> <p>Liturgical vestments beautify the sanctuary and remind worshippers of the church year. Give 5 cents for every clergy stole, altar cloth and choir robe in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>"Roughing it" is fun when you camp. But losing sheets and towels in a hurricane is not. Give 1 cent for every washcloth, towel, sheet and pillowcase in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>A paper towel can be a lot of things: a rag, a napkin, something to write on, a tissue. Give 25 cents for every roll or package of paper towels in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Need a pen, a stapler, a roll of tape? Just reach into your desk drawer and find it! What if your desk disappeared? Give 1 cent for every office supply in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Christian education is vital to growth as disciples of Jesus Christ. Many churches lost Sunday school resources in Hurricane Katrina. Give 5 cents for every teacher's guide and student book in your church.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>How many TVs do you have at home? What if you had none—for entertainment and information? Give 25 cents for every TV in your house.</p> 	<p>DATE</p> <p>Whether your favorite song is "Stand by Me" or something else, we love our hymnal. Give 5 cents for every hymnal in your church.</p> 