**Hope For Appalachia**

Bringing the hope of Jesus Christ to the children and families of Appalachia.

It has been 50 years since Lyndon Johnson declared the War on Poverty in eastern Kentucky and yet, the war still rages. The lack of employment other than coal mines, which are closed drastically due to tightening EPA regulations over the past several years, and a struggling educational system, have created a hopeless environment where families struggle to find basic necessities. Sadly, such hopelessness has created a culture of rampant drug and alcohol abuse, high teenage pregnancy rates, increased suicide rates, and a rigid cycle of poverty. Only hope provided through a relationship with Jesus Christ can change this cycle.

**Hope Box Items**

Love Covenant’s Focus in this mission is to provide as many Hope Boxes for young children as possible! Let’s work together!

Contact Ray & Kelly Hamilton for more info: 804-310-0271

**Pre K-2nd grade**

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Socks

Comb or brush

Chap Stick

Pencils

Sharpeners

Erasers

Crayons

Glue sticks

Character Body wash

Bible- age appropriate (tablet/workbook/coloring)

Hair bows or hair ties for girls

Small toys: 1) 2-Playdoughs

                     2) Light sticks

                     3) Car/truck (boys)

                     4) Jump rope (girls)

                     5) Dolls (Girls)

                     6) Bubbles

Candy:   (no chocolate or anything with peanuts please)

**3rd-5th**

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Socks

Comb/Brush

Chap Stick

Pencil

Sharpeners

Erasers

Crayons

Glue Sticks

Body wash

Children’s Bibles

Small toys: 1) noise/silly putty

2) Cars/trucks (matchbox or hot wheels)

                     3) Yoyo’s

                     4) Lip gloss for girls

Candy:   (no chocolate or anything with peanuts please)

**6th-8th**

Toothbrush

Toothpaste

Socks (women and men’s size)

Comb/brush

Chap Stick

Pencils

Pens

Sharpeners

Erasers

Highlighters

Deodorant

Notebook

Bible

Toys: 1) Baseball/ Small Football

           2) Flashlight

           3) Nail Polish (girls)

           4) Manicure sets (girls)

           5) Colored hairspray  (girls)

Candy:   (no chocolate or anything with peanuts please)