

TCTC Programs Participate in Operation Christmas Child





Jane Seymour is featured in jewelry commercial invoking the audience to, “Open Your Hearts.” Three Career/Tech Programs at the TCTC have heeded this advice, but their sentiments were humanitarian in nature. They have participated in Operation Christmas Child. They have packed shoeboxes filled with school supplies, toys, clothing items, and candy. The shoeboxes are delivered to needy children in both the United States and the rest of the world. The service project is sponsored by the Samaritan’s Purse organization.

In 2008, more than 7.6 million children were the recipients of shoeboxes packed with small presents. They boxes brought smiles and laughter to small children who have known poverty and hunger. Mrs. Bobbe Isabella, program instructor for the Business Office Systems program, said that her students have participated in the project for the past three years. This year, the Health Science Academy and Practical Nursing programs also participated in the program.

For many, the annual visit of Santa Claus to their homes is considered a birthright, but Operation Christmas Child extends the spirit of the Holidays to children who don’t have this expectation. TCTC students absorbed a valuable life experience. If you open your heart, you can touch the heart of others. Who knew that a shoebox had such mystical powers?