

*Merry Christmas!*

*As a way for our Youth Group to give back to our community, We are collecting unwrapped gifts for the Brevard county juvenile detention center. They serve about 30-35 high school age teens who have been convicted of a crime. If their sentence requires them to be incarcerated over Christmas, then they do not get to spend it with their families, etc. Or they do not get to receive any gifts. The gift are due tonight, Sunday the 17th at Youth Group.*

*In the spirit of "everyone should have Christmas", We are going to bring some gifts for them to have on Christmas and try to brighten up their Holiday weekend. We might even possibly help one of them to turn their lives around.*

*There are some strict guidelines as to what they can have in the facility. They are pretty much not allowed to have any personal possessions, all property is community property. When they get free time, they go to a "paradise room" to get out of their cell, etc. Below is a list of approved items that they can have and share. If you are able to help pick up one of these gifts to help bring Christmas to all, it is greatly appreciated and Scott will get it to them.*

*List:*

*Books - Harry Potter, Divergent Series, classics, Hunger Games series, etc. (They have lots of time to read)*

*Religious books - Bible, The Shack, etc.*

*Games - Chess, Backgammon, Monopoly, etc*

*Decks of cards - Many games can be played with these.*

*Sports equipment - Basketballs, kickballs, etc.*

*Thank you for helping out with this. We will also be karaoke -ing tonight and having a nice meal together.*

*Scott Hoey*