## 100,000 Gifts

**Acts of Kindness Ideas** 

- 1. Take home made muffins and cookies to your mechanic
- 2. Leave some coloring books and crayons in a waiting room
- 3. Drop off a tray of goodies where you bank
- 4. Stop by the laundry mat and give someone a roll of quarters
- 5. Pay for the person(s) behind you at the drivethru.
- 6. Send a bouquet to someone who teaches/works at one of our area schools.
- 7. Send a note to let someone know that they are appreciated.
- 8. Drop off a baked good to one of your neighbors.
- 9. Sponsor a child through International Child Care Ministries
- 10. Give someone a fruit basket.
- 11. Fill an expired or about to expire parking meter
- 12. Drop a donation in one of the Salvation Army Red Kettles
- 13. Buy dessert for a person eating out alone.
- 14. Send a nice card to someone whom you have observed that makes a difference.
- 15. Pick up the tab for a random table at a restaurant.
- 16. Leave a funny cartoon on a co-workers desk.
- 17. Shovel someone's sidewalk
- 18. Offer someone an unexpected tip.
- 19. Let someone get ahead of you in line
- 20. Babysit for a single parent
- 21. Buy a Christmas gift for a child in a family who is going through a hard time.
- 22. Give someone an "appropriate" hug

- 23. Leave a treat for your mail carrier
- 24. Hold the door for someone
- 25. Run an errand for someone
- 26. Send a small gift to a random person in the phone book.
- 27. Give an hour of your time to a local non-profit
- 28. Invite someone who is alone over for dinner
- 29. Leave a chocolate bar as a thank-you for a store clerk
- 30. Put up post-it notes with encouraging messages for strangers to find
- 31. Visit someone at a nursing home.
- 32. Donate blood
- 33. Cook dinner for a busy parent
- 34. Give a child a lollipop
- 35. Offer to take a senior citizen's shopping cart back to the store or at least to the cart holder.
- 36. Cut coupons out and leave them at the grocery store for others.
- 37. Express your appreciation to a veteran
- Donate a toy to Toys for Tots or some similar organization
- 39. Use your facebook page as a positive vehicle to encourage others
- 40. Send an anonymous movie ticket or gift card to someone you know to brighten their day.
- 41. Put a \$5, \$10 or \$20 in an envelope and send it to someone you know who is having a hard time financially.
- 42. Donate clothes to a non-profit re-sale shop.
- 43. Let a car merge in front of you and do it with a smile.
- 44. Give a donation to Clear Blue global water project to help drill a clean water well in a needy community.

- 45. Buy an extra cup of coffee in the morning and give it to a co-worker.
- 46. Smile at others
- 47. Leave a nice note for your spouse.
- 48. Offer to tutor a young person
- 49. Pick up liter and put it in the trash
- 50. Give a generous tip to your waiter
- 51. Befriend a lonely person
- 52. Let someone take "your" parking spot
- 53. Offer to let someone go in front of you in the check-out line.
- 54. Shop and buy in local businesses
- 55. Send a not to a shut-in
- 56. Make a donation in honor of someone who has made a difference in your life.
- 57. Say, "good morning" and "thank you" to public service workers.
- 58. Drop off a treat and thank-you note at:
  - a. The fire department
  - b. The police department
  - c. The public works department
- 59. Listen to someone who is going through a hard time and share a word of encouragement
- 60. Donate a book to the public library
- 61. Write a letter to a former school teacher and tell them how much they influenced you.
- 62. Make a donation to Eden Reforestation Project to provide jobs and plant trees in nations devastated by deforestation.
- 63. Support children from your family or the church when they participate in a concert
- 64. Pet sit for a friend who is traveling over the holidays
- 65. Give an inspirational book to a friend.
- 66. Donate food to a local foodbank
- 67. Donate pet supplies to the local animal shelter
- 68. Tape change to a vending machine
- 69. Give a compliment to a friend
- 70. Take a bouquet to a nursing home or hospital and ask that it be given to someone who could use a pick me up
- 71. Offer to take children to see a movie so their parents can have some time to shop without them.
- 72. Donate diapers to ABS Pregnancy Center
- 73. Randomly give someone a gas card
- 74. Donate old cell phones to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ncadv.org) which will use the proceeds for programs that protect families from abuse.

- 75. Take the time to fill out the comment card for someone who has served you well.
- 76. Volunteer to serve a the Hot Spots
- 77. Reach out to someone who hasn't been in church lately, letting them know that they were missed.
- 78. Set aside an evening and have a family fun night. Tell your family that you love them.
- 79. Brush snow off someone else's car
- 80. Help someone pick up items they dropped
- 81. Bring in your neighbor's garbage can
- 82. Say hello to the person next to you
- 83. Give a compliment
- 84. Help someone who is stranded on the side of the road
- 85. At a fast-food restaurant offer to take someone else tray & trash over to the garbage.
- 86. Help someone before they ask
- 87. Take a box of hats, gloves and scarves to a school, for kids who need something warm
- 88. Share your umbrella with someone who doesn't have one
- 89. Read to a child
- 90. Buy a gift card for groceries and give it to the person behind you in line.
- 91. Give balloons to children shopping with their parents.
- 92. Anonymously buy new sports equipment for a local child in need.
- 93. Pay for someone's layaway items.
- 94. Hide \$1 bills in the toy section at a dollar store.
- 95. Buy cookies or muffins and deliver them to the workers in a store you shop at frequently
- 96. Get to work early and leave some candy at each persons desk
- 97. Hold the elevator door for someone.
- 98. Compliment someone on their attire
- 99. Offer to volunteer at a local school
- 100. Be kind always and everywhere!

