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### New or gently used items:

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- 1 washcloth
- 1 small devotional booklet

Such as: "Portals of Prayer" or "Christ in our Home," does not have to be a current issue

#### New items:

1 bath size bar of soap

Wrapped, any kind

1 toothbrush

In original, individual packaging

1 tube of toothpaste

Size medium or large, or two small sample sizes - any kind

- 1 "pick" style comb
- 1 nail clipper
- 6 Band-Aids

Rubber-banded together

1 jar or tube of petroleum jelly

Approx. 4 ounces or larger, lid taped

1 pair heavy-duty household gloves

Kitchen type, size medium

- 1. Lay items on the towel and fold towel to enclose everything inside.
- 2. Place the wrapped items in a large (2 gallon or larger) "Ziploc" plastic bag.
- 3. Include note: "Hospice Kit." The note should be visible through the bag. Squeeze the air out of the bag before sealing.

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