

# Care Cards

Hello Saddleback Church Care Card makers!

We are a ministry with over 1200 volunteers making handmade cards and writing letters to give to our community. Thousands of cards have been made since March 2020. There is so much creativity and love being put into these cards that are being used to bless thousands of people.



### General Directions

### How do I create a card?

• Using whatever materials you have at home (this can range from actual greeting cards to folded sheets of paper), write an encouraging message, share the Good News of Jesus Christ or write out how Jesus has changed your life. These will be sent out as a part of our Care Kits. Feel free to include a salutation or greeting at the top, but please do not put a name or address anyone in particular as these will be added to kits at random.

### · What do I do with it once I'm done?

Drop off your completed cards in front of MO2 on the Saddleback Lake Forest campus: There is a drop off tub in front of MO2 (click for map). Write the quantity of cards you are dropping off.

If you are quarantined yourself, please use this option to mail in your cards. Mail to:





# • Do the cards have to be completely perfect?

No! It's about the love not perfection. Use your natural writing, stickers, purchased cards or use your creative talents as God has gifted you.

### • Do I need an envelope or stamp for the card?

Not on these general cards! As these will be placed in Care Kits so envelopes & stamps are unnecessary on these cards.

### • Can my kids participate?

Yes! This is a great option for kids stuck at home. You can have each family member create a card or each contribute to a single card. We love kids art.

### • How many can I make?

Write as many as you would like! There are currently no limit. This would be a wonderful act of service to do as a small group even if you are socially distanced. Families, roomates, etc. can make cards together.





"When I make and send/give cards, I am praying for God's comfort, peace, love, and joy to wash over whoever receives that card—it's a paper hug. And, the creative process is therapy for me. It's a quiet time to work with my hands and meditate with worship music and prayer."

—Barbara Huntting

### Where do the cards go?

Your cards are placed into Care Kits for our Grocery Distributions where thousands are being fed and making decisions for Jesus Christ. Watch a video about this here. We also distribute them as opportunities arise such as at senior facilities.

# Thank you! **Saddleback Care Cards Team**

saddlebackcarecards@gmail.com

Instagram: #saddlebackcarecards

Click here to join the Facebook Group run by Volunteer Daisy Sparks. Post your cards, share tips and encourage other card makers!



# Examples of What to Write on the Inside:

Just write from the heart guided by the Holy Spirit

Dear friend,

your life is special

and Jesus cares so

much for you. Many

people here are praying

for you during this

difficult time.

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

Dear Friend.

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Your Sater in Christ

Hello,
Well wishes are being sent
your way today! I pray this
note finds you in good
spirits and that you are
feeling comfort in our Lord
during these challenging
times. May you feel
encouraged knowing
that people are praying
for you!
Blessings and comfort,
A sister in Christ

Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for all that He has done.

Philippians 4:6-8

"... Way-Maker, Miracle-worker,
Promise-Keeper, Light in the
Darkness, My God, that is
who you are..." If I want to you are loved and in our prayer,
Tammy + Saddleback Church

Hello Friend,
Well wishes sent your ways
May you be encouraged knowing that
people are praying for you of It has
been a stressful year for everyone. This
verse always helds me through difficult
times.
With Love,
A sister in Christ

### Sending you prayers

Psalm 27:13-14 "I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord."

> Sincerely, May Saddleback Church

### Share the Gospel!

**Be bold** and share the Good News: that God sent His Son Jesus Christ to die for your sins so we might have eternal life in heaven with Him. Share John 3:16 and other verses. You can also write your testimony of how Jesus Christ changed your life. Click for a link or prayer you could include.

# Examples of Cards

can be found on Instagram at #saddlebackcarecards and in the Facebook group.

## Dropping off cards directly to the Distribution Center

As you know, God is using Saddleback's Grocery Distributions to reach thousands of people in our community. Ideally we would like a care card for each box to show the human touch and care for the recipient. If you would like to bring your cards directly there, here are step by step instructions .



### Saddleback Distribution Center

19531 Pauling
Foothill Ranch CA 92610
Open Monday to Saturday
9-5 and sometimes earlier
and later.





Once inside walk past this middle section. You'll see an area where boxes are being made. Put your cards on either of two tables that are on wheels. The volunteers know to put your cards in the care boxes. Thank you!





Genessa has made thousands of boxes since March 2020.

Put your cards somewhere on this table in a bag or envelope labeled Saddleback Care Cards.

The volunteers know to put it in a box (see below).



## **Internships**

### How do I get credit for my internship?

If you are from Cal Baptist University or other schools receiving credit for service, you must document all the cards you make and post with your name on Instagram at #saddlebackcarecards or in the Facebook group to receive credit. In the post, write what your experience was like making the cards, describe what materials you used and the meaning of the messages you wrote such as favorite Scripture you used or greetings. We encourage you to be bold by sharing the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ in these cards which Christian college students are trained to do! Then send your log hours form to saddlbackcarecardsrc@gmail.com to be signed.

CBU: Please note Monica Scarano says for CBU service you must put in 27-30 hours and this can count towards this requirement by documenting your hours and posting all card images to social media with the description as stated above.

For information about volunteer hours contact Rachelle at saddlebackcarecardsrc@gmail.com.



Making these cards was a lot of fun for that fact that my mom and I got to flex our creative muscles and it was fun to try new creative ideas while making them. It was also a joy making them knowing they were going to bless others.

Sincerely, Samuel Albanese CBU Student

