



White Rolled Bandages for *Global Health Ministries*



**Bandages
are welcome.**

Commercial bandages are often expensive and in short supply, so rolled bandages are needed in many countries. Suitable materials are used bed sheets, **white only**, cotton or cotton blend. Please no knits or flannels.

- ◆ Pre-wash material
- ◆ Rip into strips two-four inches wide
- ◆ If using more than one strip: Sew strips together end to end (for a continuous roll). Bandages can also be made from just one strip the length of a bed sheet
- ◆ Assemble strips into rolls about one-two inches in diameter.
Roll tightly and evenly and pull off loose threads
- ◆ Secure with MASKING TAPE to keep the bandages from unrolling
- ◆ Pack the bandages in *small* boxes, no bigger than about 12 x 18 inches
- ◆ Use the cheapest possible surface rate when shipping to GHM

You can construct a simple **bandage rolling "machine"** using the plan included on the back of this handout.

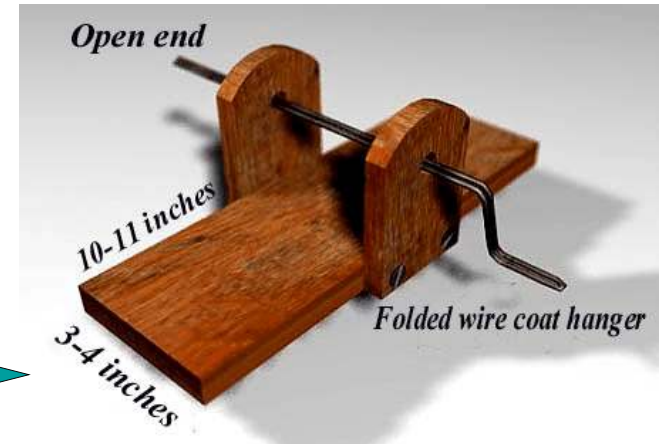
GHM appreciates any financial gift to defray shipping costs to the final overseas destination. Please mail financial gifts separately (NOT in the bandage boxes)

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Linens are also welcome.

New or good, clean, used sheets, towels and other linens are always needed by the overseas hospitals and clinics.

**How to make
a simple
bandage
rolling
"machine"**
from scrap
wood and a
wire coat
hanger



- ◆ Inset end of bandage strip into the double wire, roll tightly and evenly.
- ◆ When done, pull the wire from the center of the bandage.
Hint: A couple of backwards turns on the "crank" makes it easy to pull the wire out and avoid an uneven center of the bandage.

Mission Statement

"Global Health Ministries continues the healing ministry of Jesus Christ by enhancing health care programs of Lutheran churches in other countries."

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