72-HOUR EMERGENCY KIT INSTALLMENT PLAN

(Quantities based on 2 people)

JANUARY

Acquire kit containers - back packs, footlocker, suitcase, 5-gallon buckets, totes, etc.

FEBRUARY

- 1. Flashlight (or 2 mini-flashlights) and batteries
- 2. 3 gallons water
- 3. 2 whistles
- 4. Water purification tablets, bleach, or water filtration bottle/equipment

MARCH

- 1. Trash bags (minimum 2)
- 2. 2 cans (5-7 ounces each) canned meat/fish or equivalent in jerky and beef sticks
- 3. One change of clothing per person
- 4. Can opener

APRIL

- 1. 2 pounds crackers (crackers with peanut butter or cheese, graham crackers, pretzels, etc.)
- 2. 1 roll toilet paper plus 2 pocket packages facial tissue
- 3. 4 to 6 (8-ounce) boxes liquid milk
- 4. First aid kit

MAY

- 1. 1-1/2 to 2 pounds dried fruit
- 2. Bar of soap or bottle of liquid soap
- 3. 1/2 of emergency cash desired
- 4. List of emergency phone numbers/addresses

JUNE

- 1. 12 (8-ounce) boxes of juice
- 2. Radio and batteries
- 3. 2 rain ponchos
- 4. Scriptures

Cheryl F. Driggs, Simply Prepared: A Guide to Emergency Preparedness and Food Storage, revised edition

JULY

- 1. 3 gallons water
- 2. Candles and waterproof matches
- 3. Heavy gloves
- 4. Consecrated oil

AUGUST

- 1. 18-ounce jar peanut butter
- 2. Sleeping bags/bed rolls/emergency blankets
- 3. 2 pocketknives
- 4. Plastic drop cloth or tarp

SEPTEMBER

- 1. 8 servings of fruit leather, dried fruit, or individual serving canned fruit
- 2. Stress relievers (coloring books, crayons, books, pen, pencil, paper, toys, games, etc.)
- 3. Remainder of emergency cash
- 4. Travel sewing kit

OCTOBER

- 1. Rope or cord
- 2. Baking soda (for toothpaste and deodorant)
- 3. First-aid manual
- 4. Paper cups or 2 collapsible cups

NOVEMBER

- 1. Copies of legal documents plus identification
- 2. Wet wipes (at least 36)
- 3. Feminine needs
- 4. Towel and washcloth

DECEMBER

- 1. Plastic knives, forks, spoons
- 2. Infant needs/special health needs
- 3. Hard candy/gum
- 4. Paper towels