

Congregation Walderseestraße

Evangelical Church Hannover

Children's Bazaar – notice to sellers!

You would like to sell something at our children's secondhand bazaar? Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with our revised conditions for sellers!

Our bazaar is on a commission basis. That means: You deliver your things clearly marked – we will sell them for you – you'll pick up what wasn't sold together with your earnings.

How to become a seller?

On the two Mondayws before the bazaar please try to call either Antke Hindahl 0511/69 25 40 or Lisa Loewe (new phone number!) 0511/219 33 881 during the hours from 6:30pm until latest 9pm to be assigned a sellers code number. Please be patient and try to get through several times if necessary!

Without a seller's code number you won't be able to participate in the bazaar. The number of participants is restricted by the space available.

What are you allowed to sell?

Children's' clothing of all kind, shoes **only if like new**, kids' toys, baby gear, leisure items like kids' outdoor gear, games or equipment, children's bikes, books, and other media for children. Because space is limited only very few prams, trailers, etc. can be accepted.

Larger articles like children's furniture or play houses can only be offered by way of pictures on our display board.

What may not be sold?

Anything "adult", adults' clothing, even maternity clothes, shoes for grownups, but also no kinds of teddy bears or other stuffed animals/toys. Neither do we accept any books, games or media which are scary or promote violence. These are not in line with our Christian belief.

What should you bring in autumn or else better in spring?

We only accept items which are suitable for the season – therefore no shorts or flipflops in autumn and no snowsuits or winter boots in spring. T-Shirts however can be sold at any season.

Can you bring as much as you like?

The number of items per seller is restricted to 40, of which a maximum of 20 items may be baby clothing. If you have no baby items, you are of course allowed to bring 40 items of your choice, even only clothes, only shoes or only toys.

How do you need to prepare/mark the items?

Every item needs to be marked beforehand with biro on masking tape twice – one strip well visible on the outside of the item and with a second one for reference purposes, hidden on the inside.

Each strip is marked with only 3 numbers from left to right (please DON'T change the order or direction of writing, like top to bottom, not on separate strips of tape, and also not with any other kind of pen, etc.):

On the left write your 4-digit sellers' code number. In the middle write the size of the piece of clothing (German size; as a number), and on the right please indicate the price for the item in 50 Cents steps.

Example:

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To mark toys it is of course sufficient to only indicate the seller's number and the price. However even toys must be marked twice.

In case a seller only marks his/her items with one strip, he or she explicitly agrees to carry the risk of loss and foregoes any claims for refund in case an item cannot be attributed to the original owner if the strip gets lost or removed.

If you wish to provide further information about an item, please write on an additional strip! We do not need a list of your items.

Cartons/boxes/cases of jigsaw puzzles, games, CDs, etc. must be closed and secured, e.g. with cello tape or twine. Please ensure that small parts cannot fall out or get lost by fixing them with cello tape or placing them in a plastic bag, etc. Customers are allowed to check any items for completeness and to return if something is missing or broken. Please be advised to use clear plastic bags for the sale of LEGO, Playmobile, or any other items that consist of a number of smaller pieces. Do not use yellow, blue, or black garbage bags.

Coats often present the problem that the masking tape strips do not stick very well. In that case add another strip to the slide of the zipper. DO NOT tape the zip shut. We, as well as the customers, will try if the zip is intact and working!

Some fabrics like velvet or nicki get damaged by masking tape. For these please attach the masking tape strip on the cuffs or tags.

If an item consists of a set of different pieces of clothing (like a suit, etc.) please attach the different pieces securely with strong enough safety pins, or even by sewing them together. Another option is to thread some strong twine through the tags of the different pieces and tying them securely together. IMPORTANT: If you tie together a bundle of 5 babies' bodies of the same size e.g., these will be regarded as ONE item and sold together for the indicated price. Shoes have to be as new, meaning intact, clean and fashionable. They should show no signs of wear and tear and the inside sole needs to be intact. Shoes have to be tied together securely with strong twine or cable ties. If necessary attach a carton tag if the masking tape does not stick. Again, a pair of shoes is counted and sold as one item.

While preparing your items for the bazaar please keep in mind that the atmosphere at our bazaar resembles a huge end of season sale and your items will be handled by hundreds of customers. Ensure your labeling and tying-together is suitable to withstand such a buyers' storm!

When and where can I drop off my items?

The bazaar takes place at our meeting hall at Walderseestraße 10. On drop-off day please use the side entrance on the left hand side of the building. When you register you will be given a fixed appointment for the date and time of your drop off. If you want to drop off items for another seller as well, please remember to advise the person who is registering you accordingly to be assigned an extra-long appointment to accommodate this. Our staff will give your items a

quick check during reception to ensure that no dirty, stained, broken or incomplete items are received. Our customers expect a very high standard during our sales.

What will be returned to you when?

20% of the income from each item will be donated to charitable projects in our region or congregation.

Please come to collect your earnings (80% of the marked price) as well as any unsold items on the evening of the bazaar between 7:30pm and 8pm or ask someone to collect these for you. Anything, money and remaining items that have not been collected by Saturday evening between 7:30pm and 8pm shall be regarded as donations. We have no storage space and our premises has to be "back to normal" by Sunday morning.

What if something goes wrong?

Our team has 25 years of experience running the bazaar. Our bazaar is known for its high standard. About 50 volunteers come together every time to make this happen. However... even we are only humans and mistakes may happen. If something has been returned wrongly or if anything is missing, please inform us immediately, and we will try to locate the item or rightful owner. However, we cannot assume liability for any lost item. To minimize the risk of theft we keep watchful eyes on everything and even place somebody at the door to control what is leaving the hall.

If you have any further questions – please do not hesitate to give us a call! (Antke Hindahl 0511/692 540, fluent in English and basic in French). We wish you lots of fun preparing your items for the bazaar and lots of success during the sale!

Your bazaar team of the Walderseestraße Congregation http://www.gemeinde-walderseestrasse.de