## Christian Doula Bag Checklist

Professional Essentials
<ul> <li>□ Client intake forms and extra copies of birth plans</li> <li>□ Pen and notepad</li> <li>□ Small folder or clipboard for paperwork</li> <li>□ Phone charger and portable battery pack</li> <li>□ ID badge or name tag (if required)</li> <li>□ Business cards for networking</li> <li>□ Small amount of cash (parking, vending, tips, etc.)</li> </ul>
Comfort & Coping Tools  Rebozo or long woven wrap for comfort and positioning Massage tools (tennis balls, rolling pin, or handheld massager) Essential oils (lavender, peppermint, citrus – use with client consent on cotton ball) Electric heating pad (can be very helpful) and TENS machine (optional) Cooling cloths or handheld fan Soft LED or battery-operated candles for lighting Eye mask for rest during bright lights and warm socks for mom Bluetooth speaker or sound machine (for worship or relaxation music)
Physical Support Items  Birth ball (if not provided at the location) Peanut ball (especially helpful in hospital births) Knee pads or folded towel for long hours on the floor Blanket or shawl for warmth during long births

## Snacks & Hydration ☐ Reusable water bottle ☐ Electrolyte packets or coconut water ☐ Quick, energy-boosting snacks (nuts, granola bars, jerky, dried fruit) ☐ Herbal tea bags (peppermint, chamomile, or ginger) $\square$ Mints or gum for fresh breath **Hygiene & Personal Care** ☐ Hand sanitizer ☐ Wet wipes or baby wipes ☐ Toothbrush and toothpaste □ Deodorant ☐ Hair ties or headband ☐ Change of clothes (top, bottoms, socks, undergarments) ☐ Lip balm ☐ Breath spray or mouthwash ☐ Mini first aid kit (bandages, ibuprofen, etc.) 👶 For the Client and Baby ☐ Peri bottle (backup if she forgets hers) ☐ Nursing pads ☐ Postpartum pads (extra for emergencies) ☐ Swaddle blanket or newborn hat (home/birth center births) ☐ Scripture or affirmation cards for encouragement ☐ Honey sticks or glucose tabs (quick energy boost if allowed) Faith-Based Encouragement ☐ Mini Bible or printed verses for labor ☐ Worship playlist or speaker ☐ Anointing oil (if part of your practice and requested)

☐ Prayer journal or Scripture cards for reflection

## Optional Additions

- $\hfill\Box$  Birth photography camera or phone tripod
- ☐ Lightweight slippers or crocs
- $\hfill\square$  Notebook for postpartum notes or reflections
- ☐ Small garbage bag for used towels or wipes