



Vessels of Love

It's the most wonderful time of the year - especially for those of us who follow Jesus! We get to celebrate His birth, and in turn, what He has done for us. In Colossians 3:12 we read, "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

This Christmas, let us follow these words and extend it to others. Here are some ideas:

- ▶ Let your children help you bake cookies, make paper snowflakes, or decorate stars that you have cut out and hung on string. Distribute them to your neighbors and use it as an opportunity to meet them or get to know them a little better.
- ▶ Volunteer as a family to help at a local food bank or charity.
- ▶ Go to a pet shelter and play with the pets that are waiting for adoption. (Yes, this is a real thing! 😊)
- ▶ Help your children choose toys or clothes that could be donated.

Above all else this Christmas season, my prayer is that we can be used as vessels for the love God has shown us so we can reach others who need it as well.

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Welcome, baby!

Abigail and Andrew Jordan welcomed
Audrey Mellyn on November 12

Sickness Policy

It's that time of year again . . . peppermint mochas and sick kids. So here is a friendly reminder of our **Health & Wellness Policy**. If your child has experienced any of the following symptoms within the last 24 hours, please refrain from bringing them into the ministry areas: fever, vomiting, diarrhea, rash, persistent coughing, eyes red and draining, nasal discharge that is green or yellow, or any other questionable symptoms. If we are alerted to any of these symptoms, we will ask you to please take your child with you in order to keep all children in a safe and healthy environment. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

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Big Picture Question

Why was Jesus born? Jesus was born to rescue us.



Key Passage

Galatians 4:4-5

December 8/9

Angels Spoke to Mary and Joseph

Bible Passage: Matthew 1; Luke 1

Story Point: God chose a family for Jesus.

Carols for Advent: No FirstKids Elementary

December 15/16

Jesus was Born

Bible Passage: Isaiah 9; Luke 2

Story Point: Jesus brings peace between God and people.

December 22/23/24

Review of the Nativity Story

December 29/30

Wise Men visited Jesus

Bible Passage: Matthew 2

Story Point: The wise men worshiped Jesus.