

# A CHURCH AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

## Bible Readings for Families

### DECEMBER WEEK 1 >> JOY TO THE WORLD: WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

READ: LUKE 1:28-33

TALK ABOUT IT: SHARE THE STORY OF FINDING OUT YOU WOULD BE PARENTS, WHAT EMOTIONS WERE YOU FEELING?

TAKE IT DEEPER: WHEN IS A MOMENT IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU FELT JESUS' PRESENCE AND KNOWN THAT HE WAS WITH YOU?

MEMORY VERSE: YOU WILL GIVE BIRTH TO A SON AND YOU WILL NAME HIM JESUS. LUKE 1:31B

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### DECEMBER WEEK 2 >> JOY TO THE WORLD: JESUS IS BORN

READ: LUKE 2:6-7

ASK: WHAT BRINGS YOU JOY?

TAKE IT DEEPER: WHO COULD YOU INVITE TO JOIN YOU FOR A CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT CHURCH TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR?

MEMORY VERSE: "SHE GAVE BIRTH TO HER FIRSTBORN SON. SHE WRAPPED HIM SNUGLY IN STRIPS OF CLOTH AND LAID HIM IN A MANGER." LUKE 2:7

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### DECEMBER WEEK 3 >> JOY TO THE WORLD: THE GOOD NEWS

READ: LUKE 2:8-15

ASK: HOW DO YOU FEEL WHEN YOU HEAR GOOD NEWS?

TAKE IT DEEPER: WHAT IS THE BEST NEWS THAT YOU HAVE HEARD?

MEMORY VERSE: "I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS THAT WILL BRING GREAT JOY TO ALL PEOPLE." LUKE 2:10B

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### DECEMBER WEEK 4 >> JOY TO THE WORLD: LET IS SHINE

READ: LUKE 2:16-20

ASK: WHY DID GOD SEND HIS SON JESUS TO US ON EARTH?

TAKE IT DEEPER: HOW CAN YOU BE A LIGHT THIS WEEK AND SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH OTHERS?

MEMORY VERSE: "THE SHEPHERDS WENT BACK TO THEIR FLOCKS, GLORIFYING AND PRAISING GOD FOR ALL THEY HAD HEARD AND SEEN." LUKE 2:20

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### DECEMBER WEEK 5 >> JOY TO THE WORLD: MAGIC MOMENTS

READ: MATTHEW 2:7-12

ASK: HOW HAS YOUR FAITH GROWN THIS YEAR?

TAKE IT DEEPER: REFLECT ON THE PAST YEAR, WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE MEMORIES?

MEMORY VERSE: "WHEN THEY SAW THE STAR, THEY WERE FILLED WITH JOY!" MATTHEW 2:10