

CHRISTMAS ADVENT 2024

Instruction Sheet

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Welcome! I'm so glad you're here to celebrate Advent with your family! Here are a few simple instructions to make sure you get the most out of this bundle!

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As you prepare your advent calendar, you can make this as easy or involved as you'd like. If you want uncomplicated, you can simply just print off one of the 4 calendars and use that as your guide (pages 3-6).

If you'd actually like to create a DIY advent calendar using the number cards and filler activities, there are several ways you can do it.

If you are starting from ground zero, a simple way to make an advent calendar is using string and clothespins. There are many other types of DIY calendars you can find on Pinterest, but this is super easy and gets the job done, for sure!

NUMBER | PICTURE CARDS

If your calendar that you'll be using or creating DOES NOT have numbers, you'll want to print out pages 7-9, the numbered picture cards. (Note: there are 2 #24s - a manger scene and Santa. Choose whatever fits best with your family for Christmas Eve.)

If the calendar you'll be using DOES have numbers already, you can print out pages 10-12, unnumbered picture cards. Choose the cards you like best.

If you don't need pretty cards but just need filler activities for your own calendar, you can skip this step.

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CHOOSING YOUR ACTIVITIES

The cards are arranged by category: Bible Readings (pg 13-15), Acts of Kindness (pg. 16-18), & Family Activities (pg. 19-21).

The Bible Reading cards include a reference of a short, daily reading from the Bible, relating to the Christmas story. These cards are the only numbered activities, as they are meant to be read in order.

The Acts of Kindness Activities are focused on serving and getting your child to think of others.

The Family Activities are focused on bonding-time and memory-making as a family.

Certain Acts of Kindness and Family Activities require more effort than others. You can customize this to your family's needs and schedule. Mixing and matching between these categories is totally acceptable. You can also combine a Bible reading with a daily activity if you choose as well!

Plan accordingly, knowing your family's schedule and goals. This is meant to make your life easier and give you a more meaningful Christmas season. While some activities might require effort or preparation, only do what won't add excessive stress to an already-busy season!

A page of blank cards (pg. 22) is also included for you to add in some of your family favorite activities or things you may already have on your schedule for the month of December.

PRINTING & ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

These can be printed on 8.5 x 11" cardstock or even printer paper. Be sure to print 'fit to page' so nothing will be cut off. If you're just using the activities to fill a pre-made advent calendar, printer paper is likely suitable. If these printables will be the main advent calendar you'll be using, cardstock is a little more durable.

You can cut out the cards with a scissor or a paper cutter. The cards look neatest when they are cut just outside the black line, giving it a white border. However, you may cut on the black line also if that works for you!

If you're creating your own calendar using the number|picture cards, you can glue-stick a number or picture card and an activity card back-to-back! If you're using clothespins or something similar, you can even just clip them on without gluing. As you're choosing out your activities, be sure to plan ahead according to your schedule and order them as needed. The calendars (pages 3-6) can give you a little guidance as it was created with a typical December schedule in mind.

I hope you'll love spending this season with your family! Merry Christmas!

- Kate



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Bible Readings *Acts of Kindness* *Family Activities*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 BIBLE READING: John 1:1-5 ACT OF KINDNESS: Bring coffee to teacher ACTIVITY: Make ornament	2 BIBLE READING: Isaiah 9:2-7 ACT OF KINDNESS: Donate clothes to charity ACTIVITY: Popcorn garland	3 BIBLE READING: Isaiah 11:1-10 ACT OF KINDNESS: Supplies to animal shelter ACTIVITY: Paper chain garland	4 BIBLE READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16 ACT OF KINDNESS: Cards/Package to military ACTIVITY: Make puppet show	5 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:5-10 ACT OF KINDNESS: Angel Tree or toy drive ACTIVITY: Bake cookies	6 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:11-17 ACT OF KINDNESS: Bring cookies to neighbors ACTIVITY: Gingerbread house	7 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:18-25 ACT OF KINDNESS: Cookies for mailman ACTIVITY: Cards for adult home
8 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:26-38 ACT OF KINDNESS: Cards to adult home ACTIVITY: Christmas movie	9 BIBLE READING: Matthew 1:18-21 ACT OF KINDNESS: Donate toys to shelter ACTIVITY: Paper snowflakes	10 BIBLE READING: Matthew 1:22-25 ACT OF KINDNESS: Donate books to library ACTIVITY: Collect pine cones	11 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:39-45 ACT OF KINDNESS: Card for grandparents ACTIVITY: Make teacher gifts	12 BIBLE READING: Luke 1:46-56 ACT OF KINDNESS: Give gifts to teachers ACTIVITY: Scavenger Hunt	13 BIBLE READING: Micah 5:2-5 ACT OF KINDNESS: Give note to bus driver or custodian ACTIVITY: Coloring book	14 BIBLE READING: Luke 2:1-7 ACT OF KINDNESS: Draw pictures for children's hospital ACTIVITY: Christmas craft
15 BIBLE READING: Luke 2:8-12 ACT OF KINDNESS: Mail/take pictures to hospital ACTIVITY: See Christmas lights	16 BIBLE READING: Luke 2:13-14 ACT OF KINDNESS: Take food to food bank ACTIVITY: Christmas book	17 BIBLE READING: Luke 2:15-18 ACT OF KINDNESS: Tape coins & note to vending machine ACTIVITY: Make Christmas video	18 BIBLE READING: Luke 2:19-20 ACT OF KINDNESS: Coffee gift card for store worker ACTIVITY: Local festivities	19 BIBLE READING: Matthew 2:1-2 ACT OF KINDNESS: Cocoa to Salvation Army bell ringer ACTIVITY: Ice Skating	20 BIBLE READING: Matthew 2:3-6 ACT OF KINDNESS: Let someone go first ACTIVITY: Photo shoot	21 BIBLE READING: Matthew 2:7-8 ACT OF KINDNESS: Candy cane bomb neighborhood ACTIVITY: Games with hot cocoa
22 BIBLE READING: Matthew 2:9-12 ACT OF KINDNESS: Thank you note to church workers ACTIVITY: Make reindeer food	23 BIBLE READING: Matthew 2:19-23 ACT OF KINDNESS: Chore/favor for sibling ACTIVITY: PJs & movies	24 BIBLE READING: John 1:14 ACT OF KINDNESS: Write chalk Christmas messages on sidewalk ACTIVITY: Bake cake for Jesus				



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Bible Readings

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
John 1:1-5	Isaiah 9:2-7	Isaiah 11:1-10	Jer. 33:14-16	Luke 1:5-10	Luke 1:11-17	Luke 1:18-25
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Luke 1:26-38	Matt. 1:18-21	Matt. 1:22-25	Luke 1:39-45	Luke 1:46-56	Micah 5:2-5	Luke 2:1-7
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Luke 2:8-12	Luke 2:13-14	Luke 2:15-18	Luke 2:19-20	Matt. 2:1-2	Matt. 2:3-6	Matt. 2:7-8
22	23	24				
Matt. 2:9-12	Matt. 2:19-23	John 1:14				



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Acts of Kindness

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Bring coffee to teacher	2 Donate clothes to charity	3 Bring supplies to animal shelter	4 Send cards or care packages to military	5 Angel Tree or Toy Drive Gift	6 Bring cookies to neighbors	7 Give cookies to mailman
8 Cards to adult home	9 Donate toys to shelter	10 Donate books to library	11 Card for grand-parents	12 Give gifts to teachers	13 Give note to custodian or bus driver	14 Draw pictures for children's hospital
15 Mail or deliver pictures to hospital	16 Take food to food bank	17 Tape coins & note to vending machine	18 Coffee gift card for store worker	19 Cocoa to Salvation Army bell ringer	20 Let someone go first	21 Candy cane bomb neighbor-hood
22 Thank you note to church workers	23 Do a chore or favor for sibling	24 Write chalk Christmas messages on sidewalk				



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Family Activities

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Make Christmas ornaments	2 Pop popcorn and make garland	3 Make paper chain garland or Christmas countdown	4 Create Christmas play or Nativity puppet show	5 Bake Christmas cookies	6 Make a gingerbread house	7 Make cards for adult home residents & send
8 Watch your family favorite Christmas movie	9 Make paper snowflakes	10 Bundle up & collect pine cones	11 Make teacher gifts	12 Go on a Christmas Scavenger Hunt	13 Color or do activities in Christmas coloring book	14 Make a Christmas craft
15 Walk or drive to see Christmas lights	16 Read Christmas book together	17 Make Christmas video	18 Attend local festivities	19 Go ice skating	20 Dress up & do a Christmas photoshoot	21 Play board games & drink hot cocoa
22 Make reindeer food	23 Stay in PJs & watch movies	24 Bake a birthday cake for Jesus				

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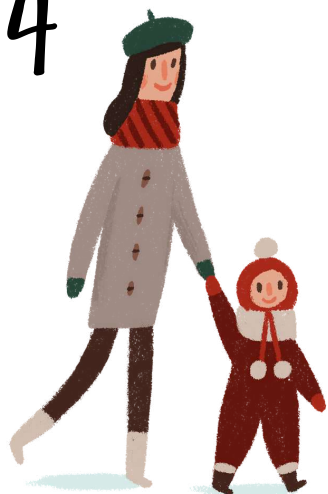
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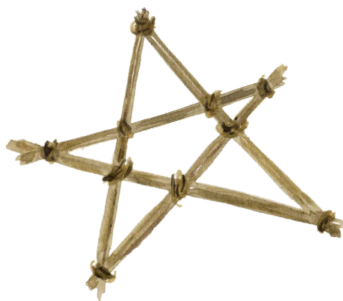
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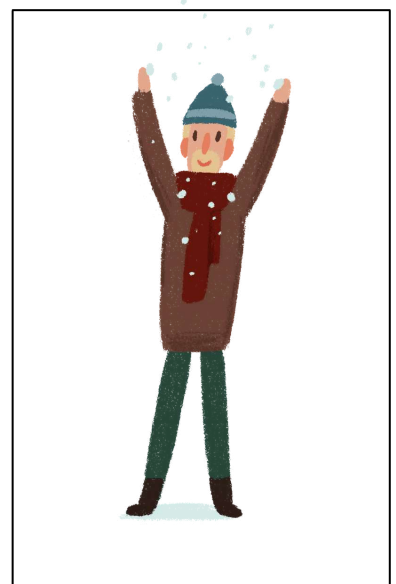
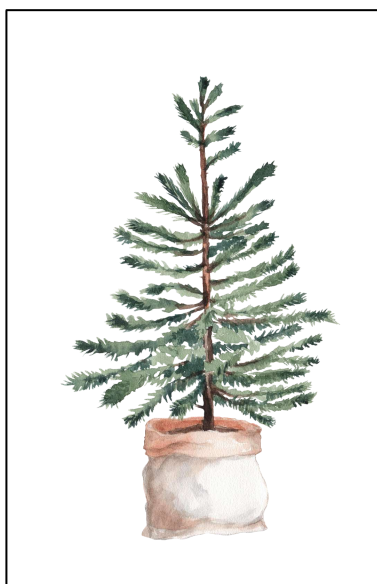
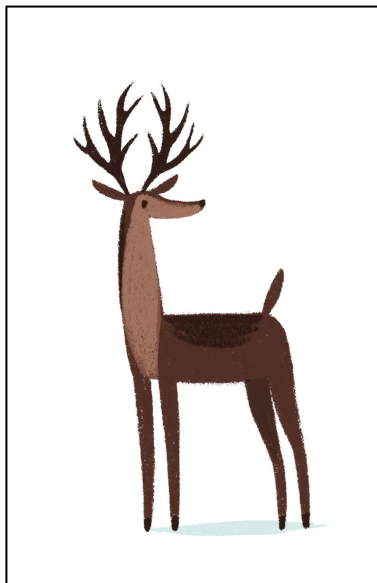


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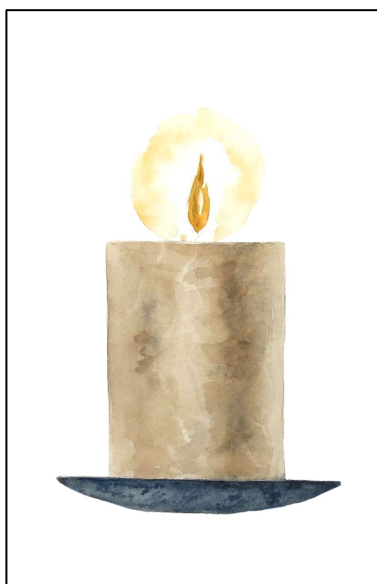
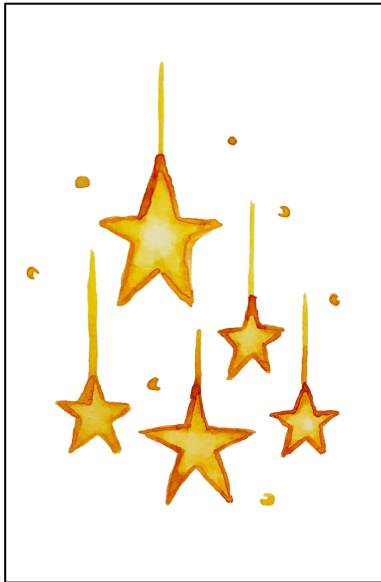


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Isaiah
9:2-7

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Isaiah
11:1-10

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Jeremiah
33:14-16

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Luke
1:5-10

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Luke
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Luke
1:26-38

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Matthew
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John
1:14





Donate
books to
library



Donate
clothes
to charity



Bring
supplies
to animal
shelter



Send
cards or
care
packages to
military



Angel Tree
or
toy drive
gift



Bring
cookies to
neighbors



Give
cookies to
mailman



Send
or deliver
cards to
adult home



Donate
toys to
shelter



Bring
coffee to
teacher



Make card
for grand-
parents



Thank you
note to
church
workers



Let
someone
else
go first
today



Draw
pictures for
children's
hospital



Mail or
deliver
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hospital



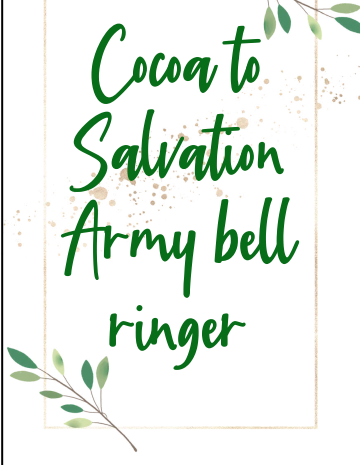
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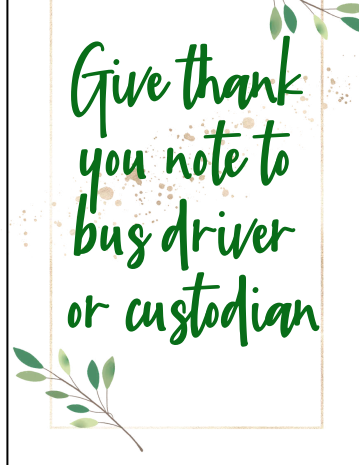
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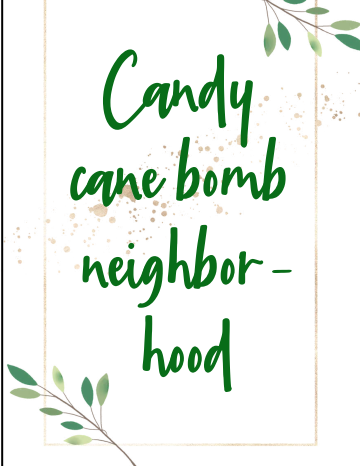
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Give thank
you note to
bus driver
or custodian



Give
gifts
to teachers



Candy
cane bomb
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hood



Do a
chore or
favor for
sibling



Write chalk
Christmas
messages on
sidewalk





Make
Christmas
ornaments



Pop
popcorn
and make
garland



Paper
chain
garland or
Christmas
countdown



Create
play or
Nativity
puppet
show



Bake
Christmas
cookies



Make a
ginger
bread
house



Make
cards for
adult
home &
send



Watch a
family
favorite
Christmas
movie



Make
paper
snowflakes



Bundle
up &
collect
pine cones



Local tree
lighting &
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festivities



Go on a
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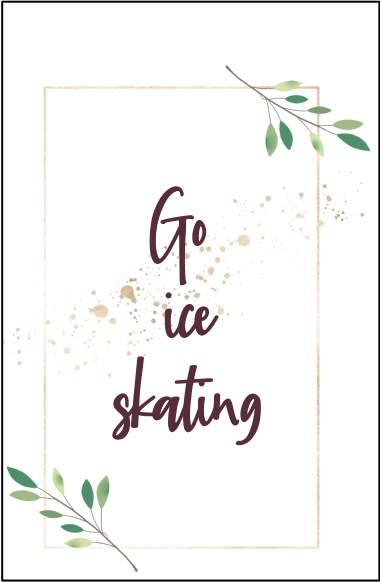
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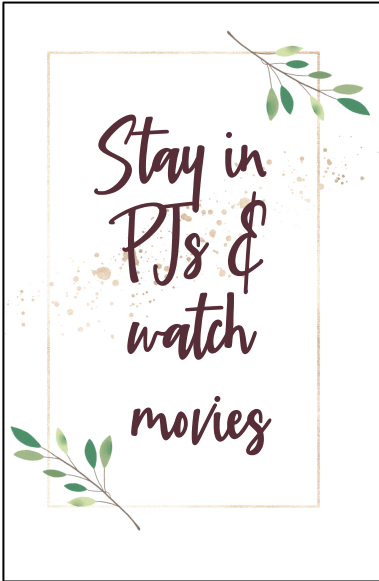
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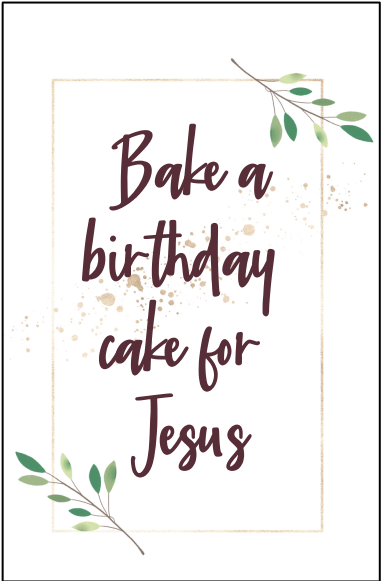
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Make
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food



Stay in
PJs &
watch
movies



Bake a
birthday
cake for
Jesus



