



# DECEMBER 2024

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 <b>In the Beginning Was the Word</b> John 1:1-5, 14	2 <b>Bottom line:</b> God always had a plan to send Jesus	3 <b>Read John 1:1-2</b> Isn't the word 'Word' used a lot. What does it mean? In this verse, 'Word' means Jesus. Read it again using Jesus' name instead of 'Word.'	4 <b>Light of the World</b> God always planned to send Jesus as the light of the world. Draw a picture of what Jesus being the Light of the world looks like to you.	5 <b>Read Isaiah 9:6</b> This verse was written hundreds of years BEFORE Jesus was born! List some of the names of God mentioned here?	6 <b>Christmas List</b> Have you made a plan for Christmas yet? Not a list of what YOU want, but a list of what you are going to do or get for others?	7 "Dear God, thank You for sending the Word, the Light of the World, Jesus. Because of Jesus, we have so much hope for the future. Amen."
8 <b>Jesus Is Born</b> Luke 2:1-7	9 <b>Bottom line:</b> Celebrate because God sent a Saviour	10 <b>J-E-S-U-S</b> Come up with a word or picture that describes Jesus and that starts with each letter. For example: J = Joy.	11 <b>Read Psalm 9:1</b> Think about how you would tell others about what God has done. How did God change the world by sending Jesus?	12 <b>Pray Always</b> "Dear Jesus, You have done so many amazing things in my life. Thank You so much for caring about me today and always. Help me to celebrate You by telling others how good You are and remembering to thank You for the good in my life. Amen."	13 <b>Celebrate Jesus!</b> One way you can do this is to have a birthday party! Gather some snacks and drinks, then celebrate the birth of Jesus. At the birthday party, talk about all the amazing things that Jesus has done for you and those around you!	14
15 <b>Pop up Nativity</b> in TRIBE. Dress up as a character from the Nativity story and bring a gold coin.	16 <b>Bottom line:</b> Celebrate because God is with you	17	18 <b>Nativity Play</b> Can you put on a play about Jesus birth? Joseph, Mary, Shepherds, Angels, Wise Men, animals, and, of course - Jesus! Prepare a play and present it to you family and/or neighbours.	20 <b>Light of the World</b> Share your smile with everyone you see today. Jesus loves you and He wants you to tell others too.	21 <b>Jesus is a gift!</b> What is a gift you can give someone that you didn't buy? Think of a way that you can create something or give your time as a gift.	22
22 <b>CHRISTMAS FAMILY GATHERING 10:00AM</b>	23 <b>Nativity</b> Check your Christmas decorations and make sure that there is a Nativity set. If not, make one!!	24 <b>Light Up Your Life</b> Go for a drive with your family to see all the beautiful Christmas lights in your area.	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	26 <b>Love Yo Mama</b> Treat Mum extra special today! Make her a coffee and let her put her feet up.	27 <b>Pass it on</b> For any new toys or gifts you received this year, find something old that you can give to the op shop!	28 <b>Read Matthew 5:16</b> by candle or torchlight about letting your light shine! Even when this Christmas season is over, you can let your light shine!
29 <b>NO GATHERING AT GATEWAY</b> <b>Wise Men</b> Matthew 2:1-12	30 <b>Bottom line:</b> Never stop celebrating Jesus	31 Pretend you are following the star. Once it gets dark outside, grab a flashlight and hit the lights. One person should shine the flashlight all over the room and stop. Once the flashlight stops, everyone run to the light. Repeat!	<b>NEW YEARS EVE</b>	<b>BOXING DAY</b>	3 <b>CELEBRATING JESUS, GOD'S GREATEST GIFT</b>	4
			<b>NEW YEARS DAY</b>	2 <b>Parent Cue</b> 		