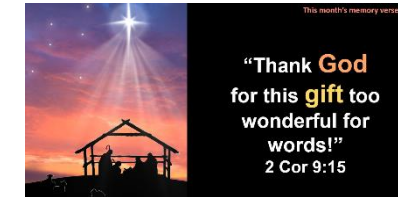




Prep-5: November Best Gift Ever

Looking at some characters in the Christmas Story and their best gift ever
KEY VERSE FOR THE MONTH: *"Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!" 2 Cor 9:15*



Bible Story	Key Concepts	PRIMARY PREP-2	PRIMARY 3-5
5-6 November Mary - Annunciation Object lesson: trust fall Communion Key Passage: Matt 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-56	LESSON: Mary lived a life that was pleasing to God and He knew that He could trust her. Mary's response was swift to trust what God had for her, even though she knew that her reputation was at stake. Her reward was the gift of brining the Messiah into the world to save everyone. If we have that kind of trust, we all could live a life that pleases God. BIG IDEA: I can have a trusting heart and let the Holy Spirit guide me.	LifeGroups: Prep-Primary 2: - Craft: - Discussion Questions –optional 	LifeGroups: Primary 3-5: Discussion first, then Activity Sheet 
12-13 November Elizabeth and Mary Volunteer Appreciation Day Quiet Time – asking for encouraging words for leaders Key Passage: Luke 1:39-78	LESSON: Six months after Elizabeth conceived, Mary also became pregnant, and she went to visit Elizabeth. It is a sign of God's love and care that He placed these women in the same family. God provided Elizabeth as a comforting presence who was filled with the Holy Spirit - a trusted and known relation and older woman who was going through a similarly miraculous event. BIG IDEA: I can be filled with the Holy Spirit and speak God's love.	LifeGroups: Prep-Primary 2: Post-it notes encouragement - Craft: - Discussion Questions –optional   	LifeGroups: Primary 3-5: Post-it Notes encouragement - Game - Activity Sheet 
19-20 November Joseph Key Passage: Luke 1:39-78	LESSON: Joseph was the earthly father of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Joseph was a descendant of King David – which fulfils the prophesy that Jesus would be a descendant of David. He was also a self-sacrificing man in that he didn't want to dishonour Mary when he found out she was pregnant. He obeyed God to marry Mary and his reward was the gift of fulfilling a prophesy that had been given hundreds of years before. BIG IDEA: I can ask the Holy Spirit to help me obey God.	LifeGroups: Prep-Primary 1-2: - Craft: - Discussion Questions –optional 	LifeGroups: Primary 3-5: - Chatterbox with questions - Activity Sheet optional  
26-27 November Christmas Party Key Passage: Matthew 1-2:1-12	The Christmas Party will be held outdoors. Carnival games and fun will be organised and a Christmas Story will be told. 	Kids Connect (online) LESSON: The Wise Men or Magi would have been familiar with astrology and the writings of Daniel. Also in Numbers 24:17 Balaam's prophecy specifically mentions a "star coming out of Jacob." They recognised the Star meant the Messiah had come. We can assume these were God-fearing men that followed God's voice in their journey to Jesus and back home. BIG IDEA: I can follow where the Holy Spirit leads me.	Kids Connect (online) LESSON: The Wise Men or Magi would have been familiar with astrology and the writings of Daniel. Also in Numbers 24:17 Balaam's prophecy specifically mentions a "star coming out of Jacob." They recognised the Star meant the Messiah had come. We can assume these were God-fearing men that followed God's voice in their journey to Jesus and back home. BIG IDEA: I can follow where the Holy Spirit leads me.