



A KIDS FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS 2010

There's nothing like Christmas to bring out the kid in us. So let your child-like creativity flow and plan a festive season that excites and inspires the children in your churches and communities to follow Jesus. Blessings. **Jill and Cheryl**



CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

is "hot off the press" and winging its way to you in the post. Kids Friendly, Presbyterian Support and Auckland Presbytery joined forces to bring you this 8 page inspiration which can also be downloaded from:

www.presbyterian.org.nz/national-ministries/kids-friendly-resources



A FAMILY ADVENT RESOURCE Advent@Highgate

A **new** resource from Kids Friendly created with Jane Davis, children's minister at Highgate Presbyterian in Dunedin. Jane and her team wanted to help families find time and space to truly reflect on the coming of Jesus in the weeks before Christmas. They organised a interactive all age Advent event and facilitated family devotions every night during Advent. Jane has shared all her wonderfully creative resources with us.



Mary and Joseph Journey to Bethlehem

A **new** resource to help families engage with the story of Jesus' birth and make friends in the congregation as they deliver Mary and Joseph to a new home each day of Advent. Jill introduced this at St Heliers last year and received wonderful stories of how the children and others enjoyed journeying with Mary and Joseph.

PAGEANTS AND PLAYS—we have lots on our computers. Let us know what style you are looking for and we'll send them to you. Please keep sending your Pageant creations to us so others can use them.

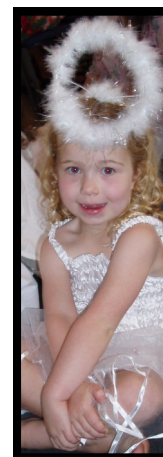
OTHER KIDS FRIENDLY RESOURCES FOR CHRISTMAS

- ★ Christmas Crafts
- ★ Christmas Games & Quizzes
- ★ Sharing the Christmas Story—4 Sunday School lessons
- ★ A Kids Friendly Advent
- ★ A Family Advent Calendar
- ★ Christmas Kids Club—connecting with community children

Kids Friendly network members can download all resources from:

www.presbyterian.org.nz/national-ministries/kids-friendly/kids-friendly-resources

If you are not a network member you can order resources from jill@kidsfriendly.org.nz



Christian World Service are offering free Advent calendars. Each day children open a window and put in a coin (versus taking out a chocolate). A great way to promote sharing and caring by children this Christmas. Order from cws@cws.org.nz

SOME OF OUR FAVOURITE WEBSITES

www.ctm.uca.edu.au/children-families-ministry

www.alternativity.org.uk

www.barnabasinchurch.org.uk/pages/483s.htm