Church Light Party Pack

Pack contents • Includes clearly labelled Christian resources

Name: _____

Print only the pages you need. Keep helper answers separate. Print craft templates at actual size and check the 10 mm scale. For full instructions use the individual resource pages.

- Stained Glass Cross
- Light of the World Wheel
- Jesus Is the Light Bookmarks
- Jesus Light of the World
- Let Your Light Shine
- Lamp on the Path
- City on a Hill
- Lighthouse and Cross
- Bible and Light
- Sharing Kindness
- Light and Hope Candle
- Jesus Welcomes Children
- God’s Love Shines Bright
- Your Word Is a Lamp
- Bible Verse Scramble
- Let Your Light Shine Bingo
- Bible Light Trail
- Acts of Kindness Challenge
- Light of the World Matching
- Welcome to Our Light Party Banner
- Shine Bright Bunting
- Rainbow Light Party Flags
- Light Party Door Signs
- Light Party Activity Station Signs
- Printable Light Party Stars
- Light Party Scripture Verse Posters
- Light Party Folded Table Decorations
- Light Party Thank-You Cards
- Light Party Take-Home Labels
- Light Party Volunteer Roster and Briefing
- Light Party Planning Checklist
- Light Party Bible Reflections
- How To Host A Light Party

Craft Instructions

Name: _____

Stained Glass Cross

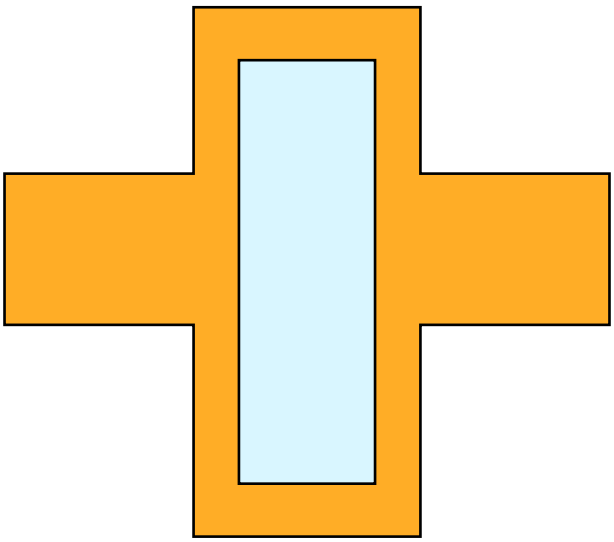
6–12 years • 25 minutes • moderate

You will need: Card, tissue paper, child scissors, glue stick

1. Colour the outer frame if using the black-and-white version.
2. Cut the outside cross shape. Ask an adult to start and cut the inner opening.
3. Tear tissue into pieces larger than the opening edges.
4. Glue tissue over the back, overlapping the frame so there are no loose gaps.
5. Let the glue dry and display with removable tape on a window.

Safety: Adult cutting help is needed for the inner opening. Use tissue and glue, not glass.

At your party: Offer pre-cut frames and tissue trays so children can finish independently.



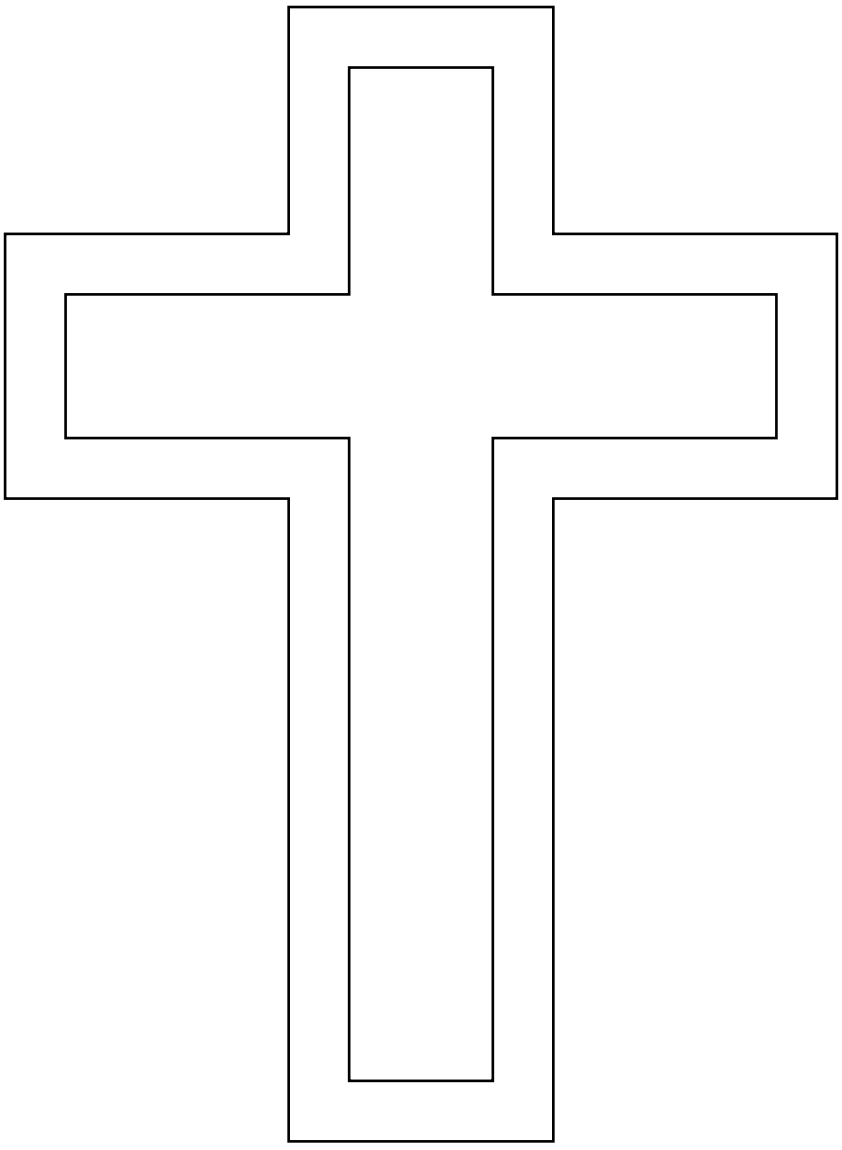
Assembly sketch • follow the numbered instructions above

Craft Template

Name: _____

Stained Glass Cross

Template • 1 of 1 • Print at actual size (100%)



Adult: cut the inner opening

Follow the cut instructions. Dashed lines mark folds. Glue zones are labelled.

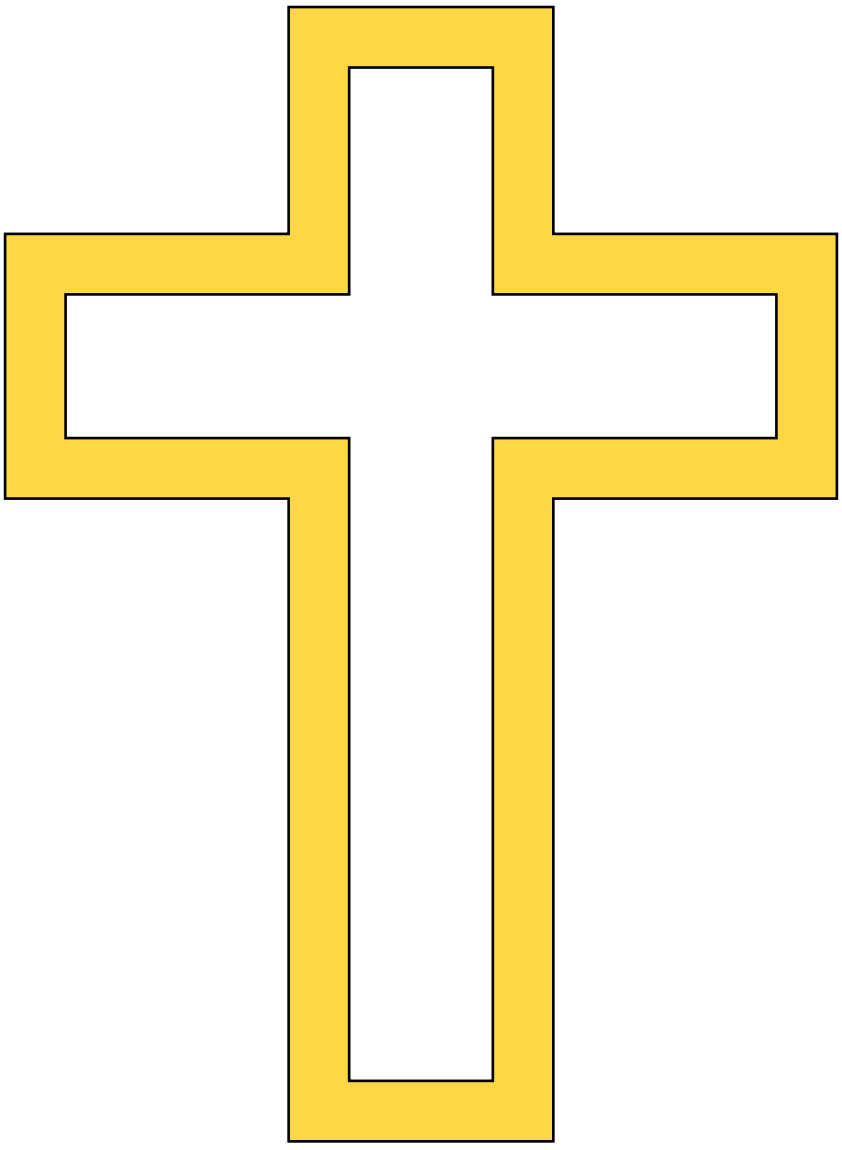
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Craft Template

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Craft Instructions

Name: _____

Light of the World Wheel

6–12 years • 25 minutes • moderate

You will need: Card, crayons, scissors, glue, adult paper fastener

1. Decorate the top wheel and read its message with an adult.

2. Cut both circles. An adult cuts out the marked window area on the top wheel.

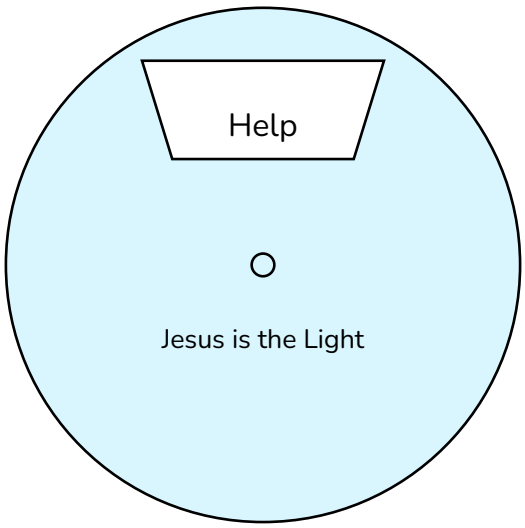
3. An adult makes the small centre holes.

4. Place the message wheel underneath the window wheel and join loosely with a paper fastener.

5. Turn the lower wheel to reveal Help, Share, Listen, Thank, Include or Care; discuss a way to put one into practice.

Safety: Adult assembly is required for the sharp fastener and small parts. Keep spare fasteners away from younger children.

At your party: Use the wheel to choose a kindness challenge at the end of the party.



Assembly sketch • follow the numbered instructions above

Craft Template

Name: _____

Light of the World Wheel

Template • 1 of 2 • Print at actual size (100%)



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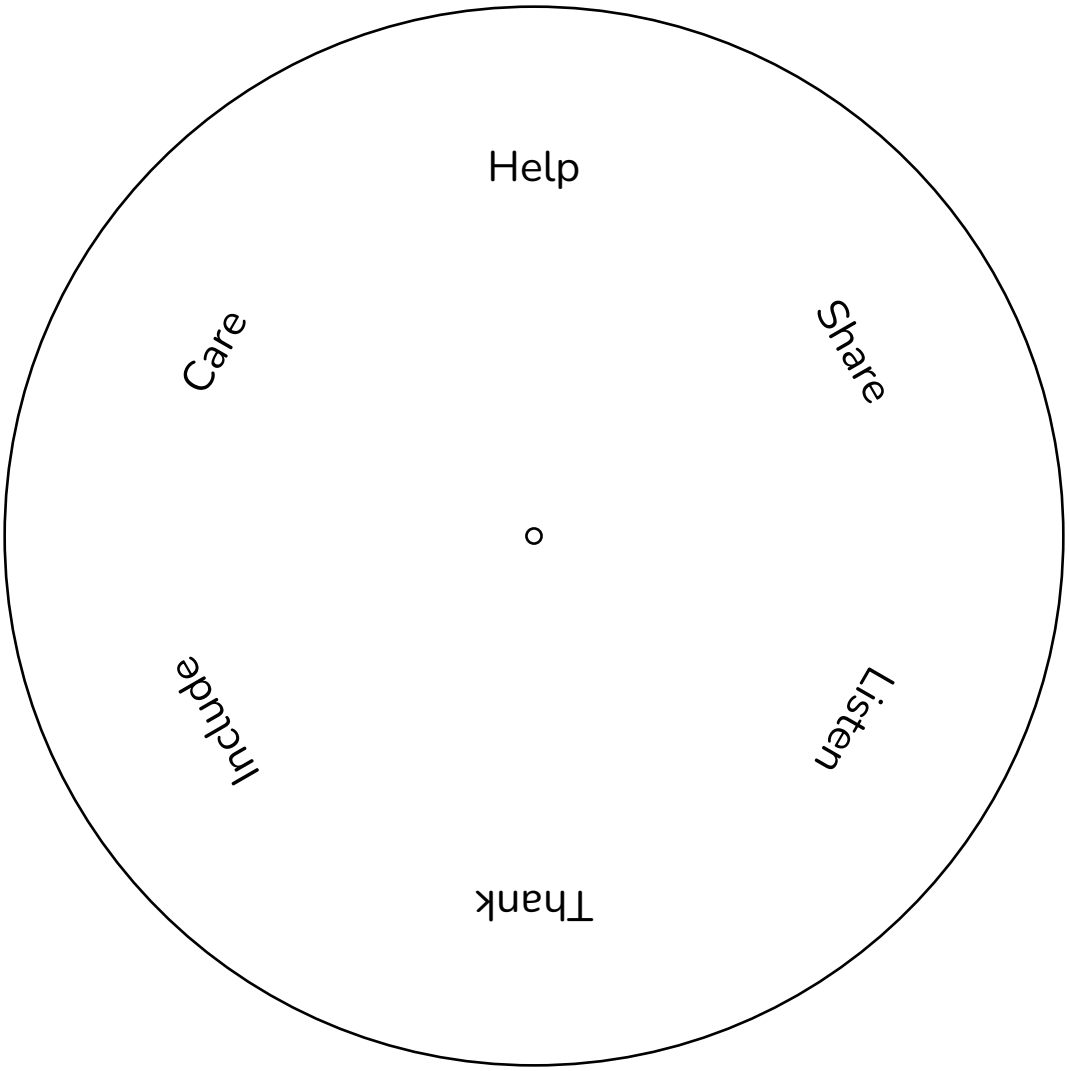
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Craft Template

Name: _____

Light of the World Wheel

Template • 2 of 2 • Print at actual size (100%)



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Craft Template

Name: _____

Light of the World Wheel

Template • 1 of 2 • Print at actual size (100%)



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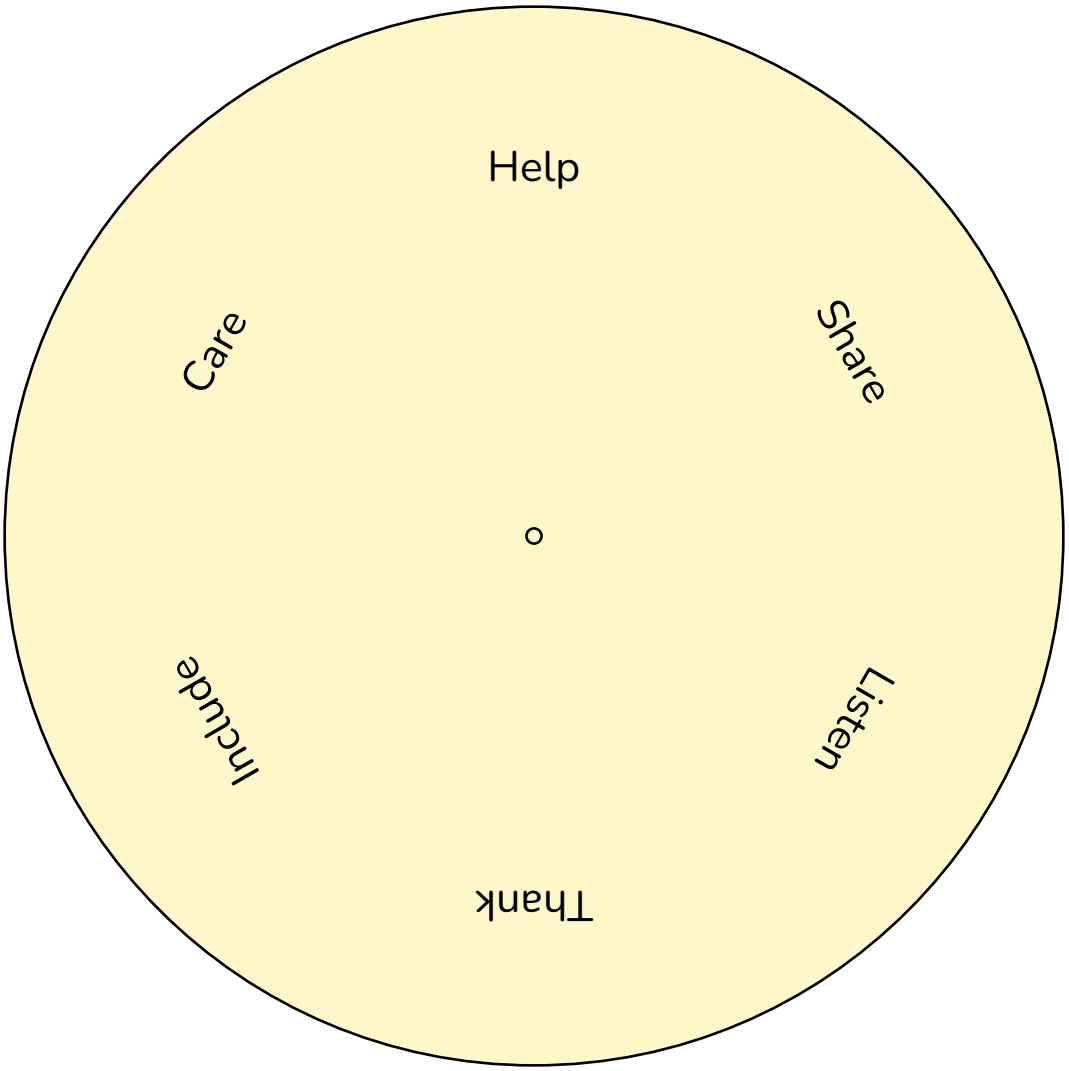
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Craft Template

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Light of the World Wheel

Template • 2 of 2 • Print at actual size (100%)



Follow the cut instructions. Dashed lines mark folds. Glue zones are labelled.

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Craft Instructions

Jesus Is the Light

You will need: paper or card, colouring pencils and child-safe scissors.

Colour the three separate pictures.

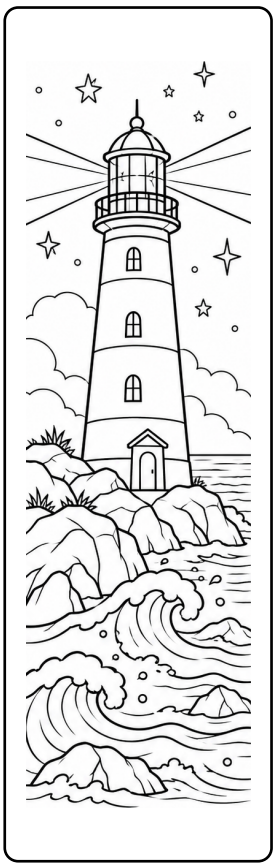
Cut around each rounded outline. Ask an adult for cutting help.

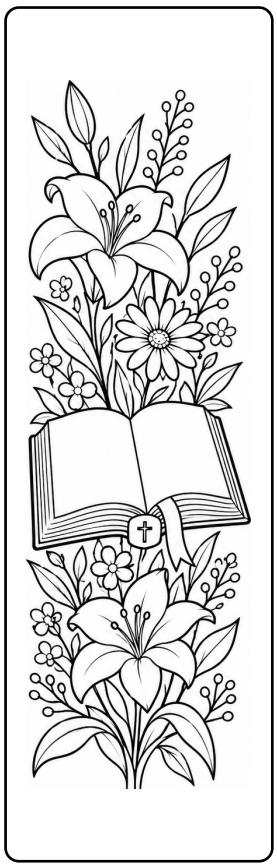
Back with spare card if you want a firmer bookmark.

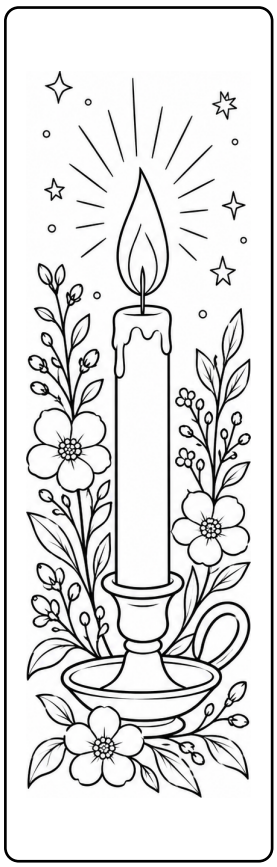
Choose a book and place your bookmark between the pages.

Optional Christian discussion: talk about the light, Bible and candle pictures.

Adults supervise scissors. Avoid small beads or tassels for younger children.



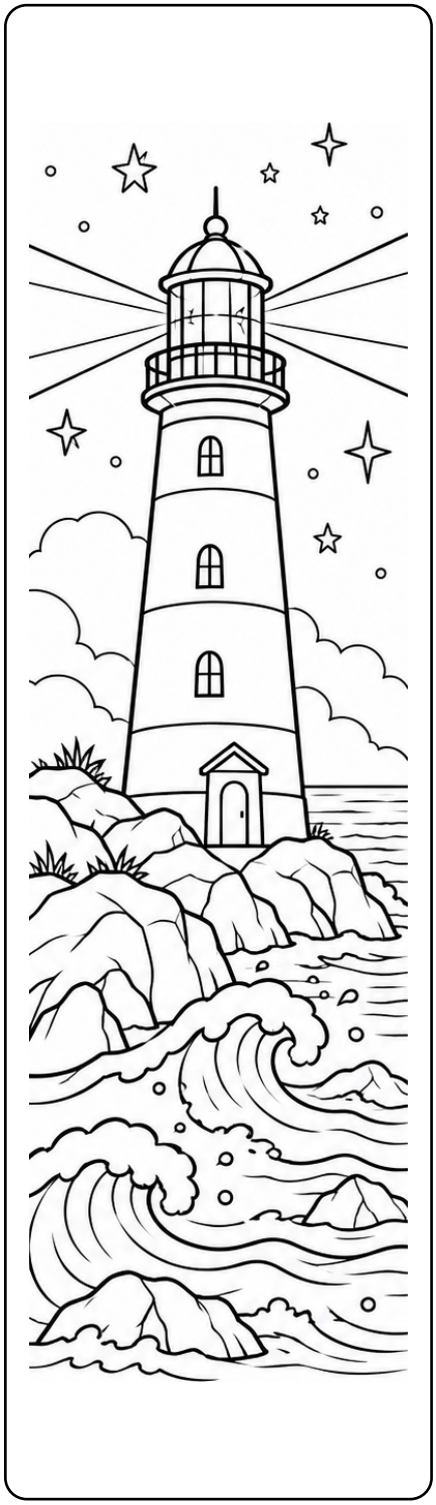


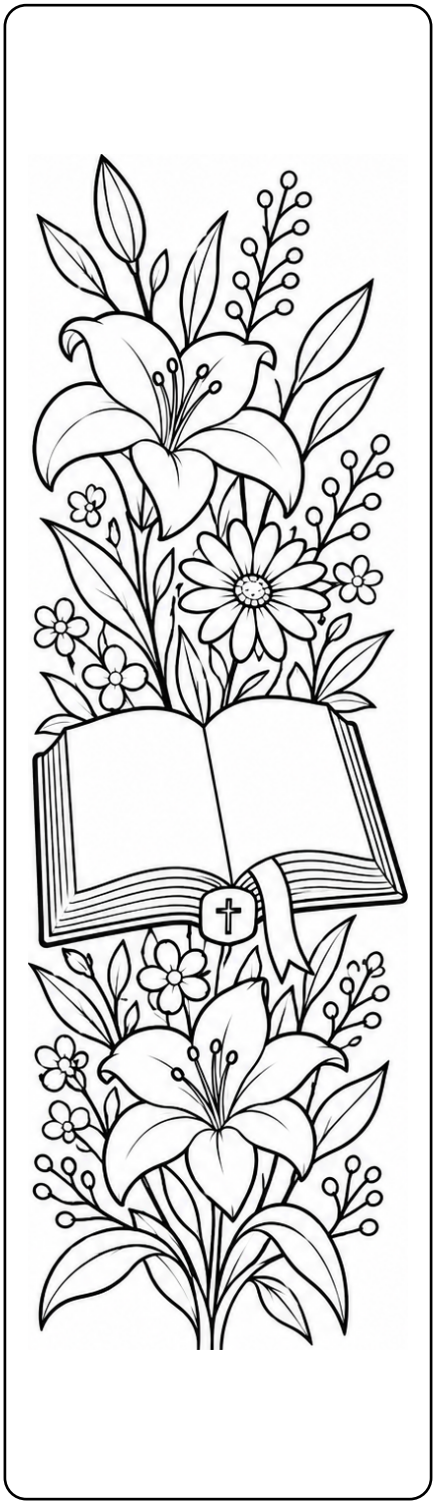


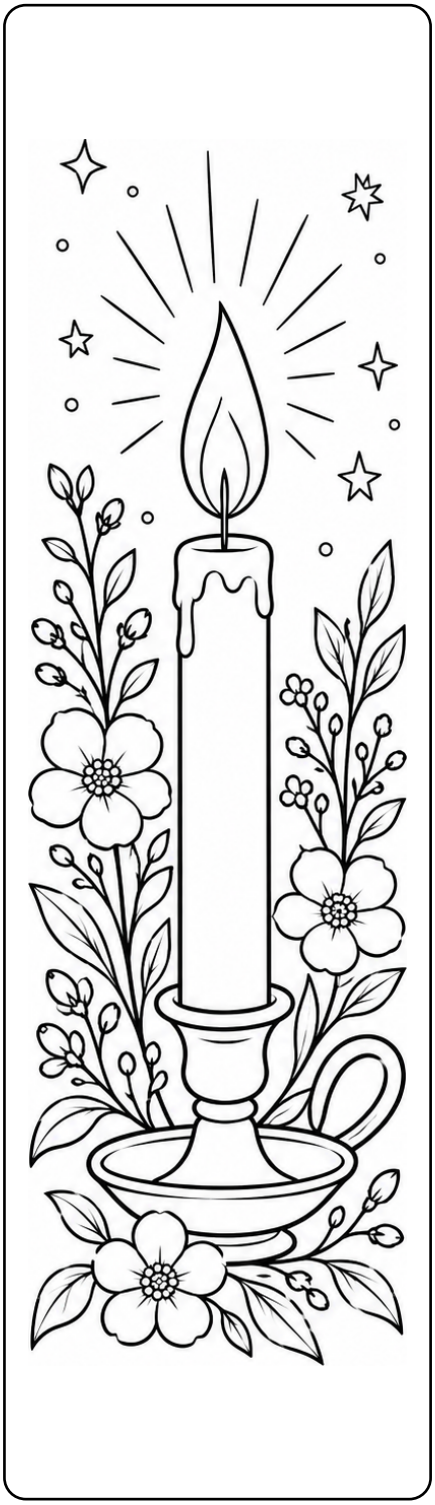
Colouring Bookmarks

Jesus Is the Light

Colour the three pictures, then cut around each bookmark. Ask an adult for cutting help.



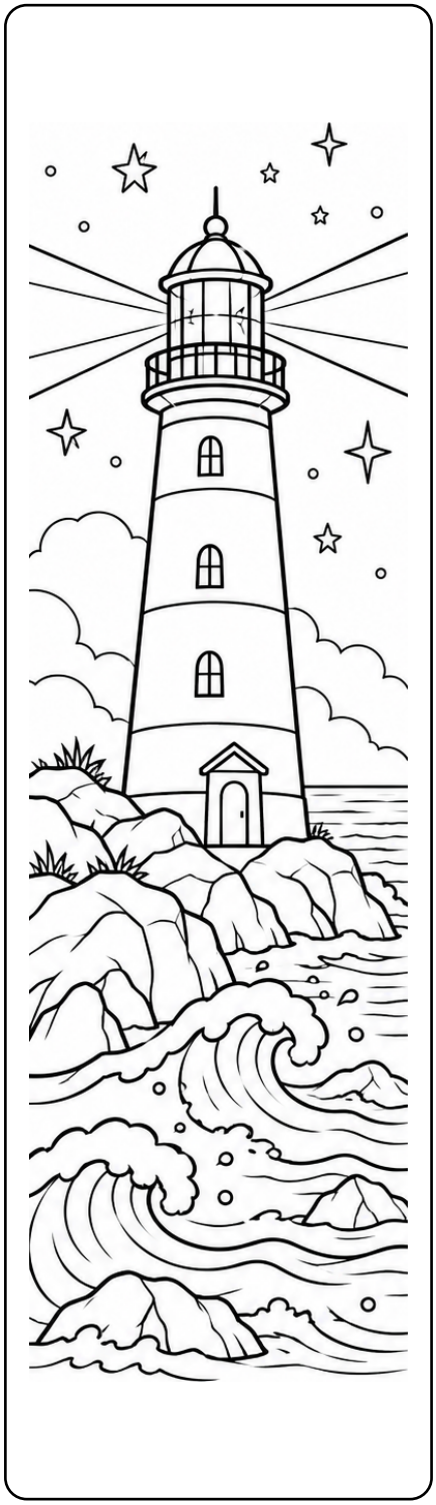


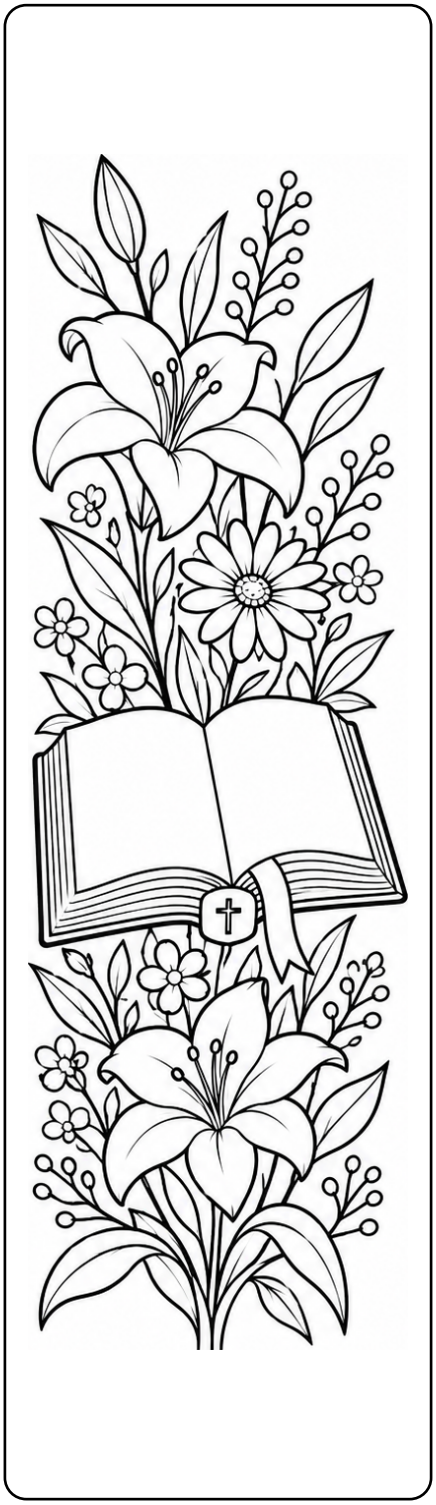


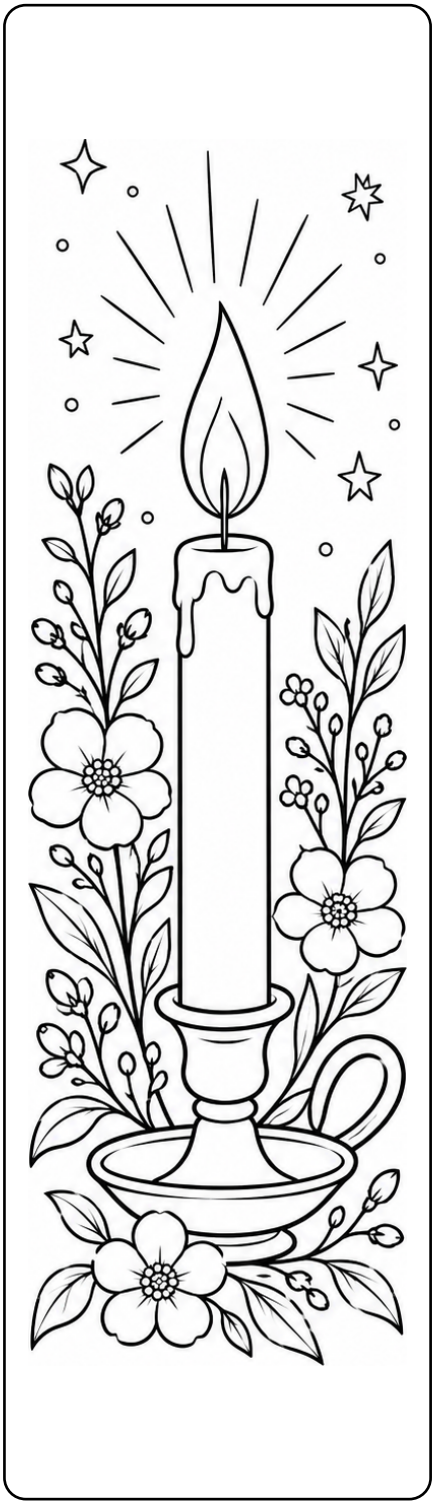
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Jesus Is the Light

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Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Jesus Light of the World

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Let Your Light Shine

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Lamp on the Path

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

City on a Hill

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Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Lighthouse and Cross

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Bible and Light

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Sharing Kindness

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Light and Hope Candle

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Jesus Welcomes Children

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



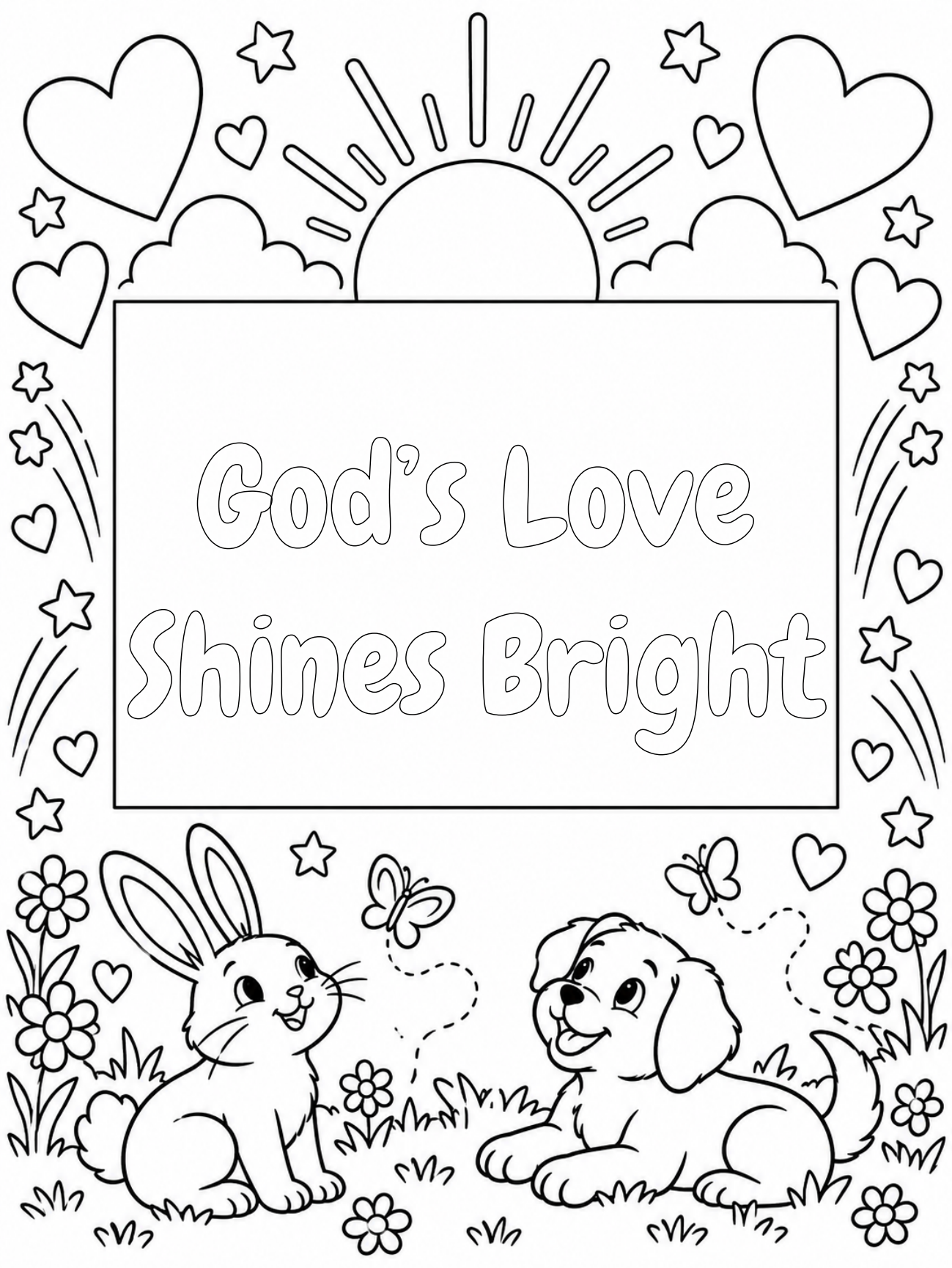
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Colouring Sheet

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God’s Love Shines Bright

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



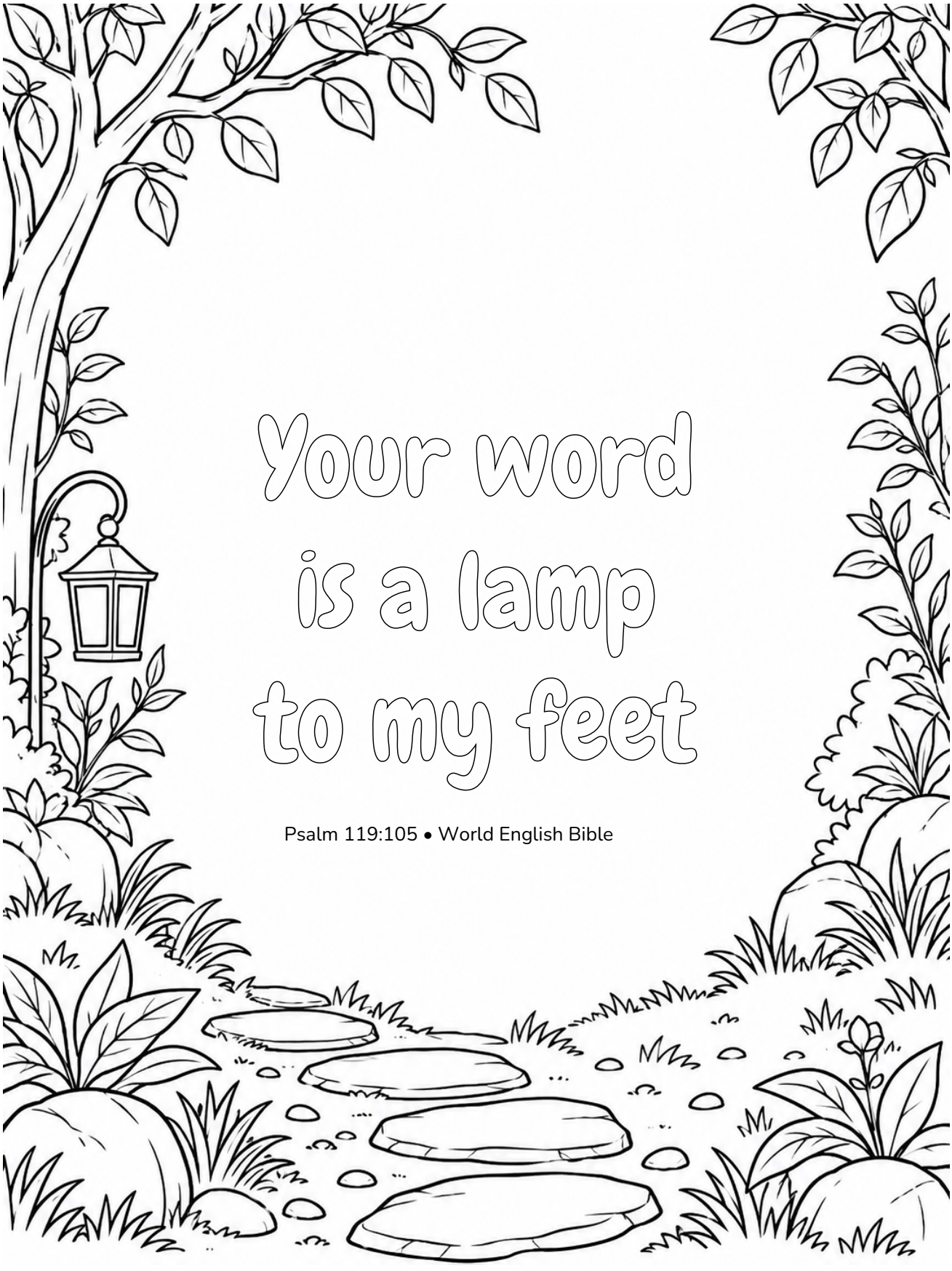
Christian-themed activity

Colouring Sheet

Name: _____

Your Word Is a Lamp

Light Party • Colour, create and celebrate



Christian-themed activity

Bible Verse Scramble

7–12 years • 2–12 players • 20 minutes

Name: _____

Prepare

5 minutes. Printed sheets, pencils, paper markers; adult scissors for cut-out cards.

How to play

Choose a verse set and cut its phrase strips. Read its reference, then work together to arrange the strips into the correct verse. Compare with the matching WEB answer page and discuss the message.

Make it easier

Read the full verse first and use fewer strips.

Try a challenge

Put the verse away and explain its meaning in your own words.

Larger groups

Make supervised groups of four to six, with a full play set and a helper or reader for each group. Rotate turns and offer a seated or quiet option.

Space and supervision

Indoors; outdoor use only in a supervised bounded area with dry paper and suitable weather.

Keep it welcoming

Adults supervise scissors and small pieces. Keep routes clear; no climbing, flames or darkness. Children may pass, watch or choose a quieter activity.

Word Scramble · Answers

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

John 8:12 • World English Bible (public domain)

I am the light of the world. He who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life.

Word Scramble

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

John 8:12 • not walk in the

John 8:12 • darkness, but will have

John 8:12 • the light of life.

John 8:12 • who follows me will

John 8:12 • of the world. He

John 8:12 • I am the light

Word Scramble · Answers

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Matthew 5:14 • World English Bible (public domain)

You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can’t be hidden.

Word Scramble

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Matthew 5:14 • of the world. A

Matthew 5:14 • hill can’t be hidden.

Matthew 5:14 • You are the light

Matthew 5:14 • city located on a

Word Scramble · Answers

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Psalm 119:105 • World English Bible (public domain)

Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light for my path.

Word Scramble

Name: _____

Bible Verse

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Psalm 119:105 • my path.

Psalm 119:105 • lamp to my feet,

Psalm 119:105 • Your word is a

Psalm 119:105 • and a light for

Picture Bingo · Caller

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out and shuffle the slips. Read the word aloud. Match the pictures on your card.



JESUS



LIGHT



WORLD



SHINE



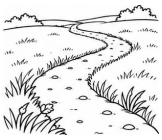
LAMP



CITY



HILL



PATH



FEET



WORD



FATHER



HEAVEN

Picture Bingo · Caller

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GOOD WORKS



HOPE



LOVE



CARE



HELP



SHARE



KIND



LISTEN



WELCOME



FRIEND



JOY



PEACE

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

6–12 years • 2–30 players • 20 minutes

Name: _____

Prepare

5 minutes. Printed sheets, pencils, paper markers; adult scissors for cut-out cards.

How to play

Read Matthew 5:14–16 together, then give each player a different numbered bingo card. The adult reads one caller word at a time. Cover a matching square; a straight row of three wins after the host checks the words already called.

Make it easier

Show each caller word and read it together.

Try a challenge

After a win, share a kind action connected with the passage.

Larger groups

Split into supervised small groups and print extra play sets. For bingo, use the thirty distinct cards before repeating a card.

Space and supervision

Indoors; outdoor use only in a supervised bounded area with dry paper and suitable weather.

Keep it welcoming

Adults supervise scissors and small pieces. Keep routes clear; no climbing, flames or darkness. Children may pass, watch or choose a quieter activity.

Picture Bingo

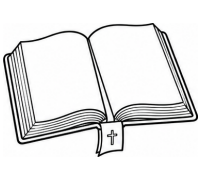
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 1

 JOY	 HILL	 SHARE
 WORD	 LISTEN	 GOOD WORKS
 LAMP	 SHINE	 HOPE

Card 2

 LISTEN	 SHINE	 WORLD
 FATHER	 WELCOME	 GOOD WORKS
 WORD	 JESUS	 HOPE

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 3

 HEAVEN	 FEET	 FRIEND
 CARE	 LISTEN	 KIND
 LAMP	 PEACE	 SHARE

Card 4

 FATHER	 SHARE	 CARE
 LISTEN	 LAMP	 HOPE
 SHINE	 KIND	 JOY

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 5

 HOPE	 KIND	 HEAVEN
 HELP	 WELCOME	 LAMP
 CARE	 FEET	 JESUS

Card 6

 FRIEND	 WELCOME	 HOPE
 CITY	 PEACE	 LOVE
 FEET	 KIND	 FATHER

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 7

 FEET	 CARE	 HELP
 WORD	 FATHER	 HEAVEN
 LIGHT	 LOVE	 WELCOME

Card 8

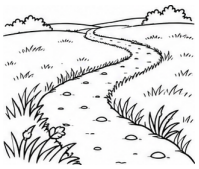
 CARE	 LIGHT	 HOPE
 KIND	 FRIEND	 PEACE
 HILL	 JOY	 HELP

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 9

 HEAVEN	 KIND	 LOVE
 GOOD WORKS	 FATHER	 WORD
 SHINE	 PATH	 LIGHT

Card 10

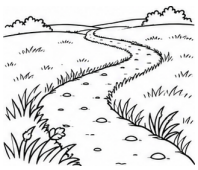
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 HELP	 HEAVEN	 HOPE
 SHARE	 SHINE	 FEET

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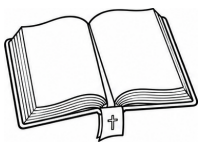
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 11

 KIND	 PATH	 HELP
 JOY	 LOVE	 HOPE
 FATHER	 SHARE	 WORD

Card 12

 LOVE	 LAMP	 CITY
 SHINE	 WORD	 WELCOME
 HILL	 PEACE	 LISTEN

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 13

 SHARE	 FATHER	 SHINE
 JOY	 LAMP	 GOOD WORKS
 HILL	 KIND	 HEAVEN

Card 14

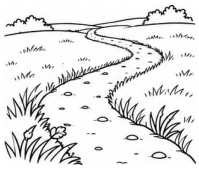
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 FEET	 WORLD	 GOOD WORKS
 LAMP	 LOVE	 FRIEND

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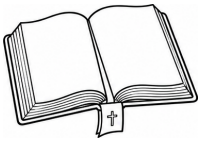
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 15

 PEACE	 KIND	 LOVE
 PATH	 HOPE	 SHINE
 HEAVEN	 SHARE	 LIGHT

Card 16

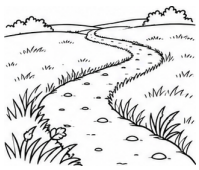
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 WORD	 HELP	 LAMP
 CITY	 HILL	 HOPE

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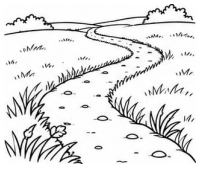
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 17

 PATH	 CITY	 HEAVEN
 LOVE	 JESUS	 FATHER
 WELCOME	 LIGHT	 WORLD

Card 18

 PATH	 HOPE	 LISTEN
 PEACE	 CARE	 LOVE
 WELCOME	 HELP	 FRIEND

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 19

 PEACE	 WORD	 LIGHT
 HELP	 JOY	 KIND
 HEAVEN	 LOVE	 HILL

Card 20

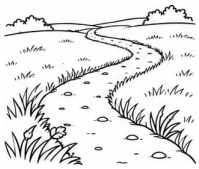
 WORD	 FATHER	 WORLD
 HOPE	 HELP	 FRIEND
 LAMP	 PEACE	 CITY

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 21

 SHARE	 KIND	 SHINE
 PATH	 WELCOME	 LAMP
 HELP	 WORLD	 PEACE

Card 22

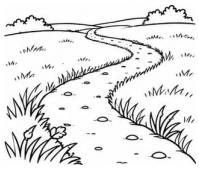
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 HELP	 JESUS	 GOOD WORKS
 HOPE	 SHINE	 CARE

Picture Bingo

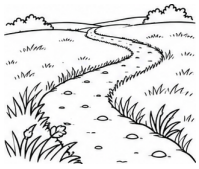
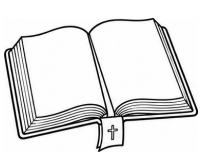
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

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Card 23

 CITY	 HEAVEN	 LOVE
 PATH	 JOY	 JESUS
 HOPE	 HELP	 SHINE

Card 24

 JESUS	 GOOD WORKS	 FATHER
 LISTEN	 JOY	 PATH
 HILL	 WORD	 HEAVEN

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 25

 WORLD	 LOVE	 FATHER
 LISTEN	 JESUS	 WELCOME
 HELP	 SHINE	 LAMP

Card 26

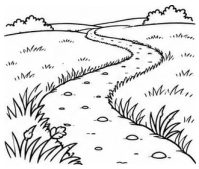
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 GOOD WORKS	 JOY	 LIGHT
 HOPE	 LOVE	 WORD

Picture Bingo

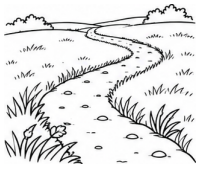
Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 27

 WELCOME	 HELP	 HOPE
 LAMP	 LIGHT	 KIND
 PATH	 FEET	 CARE

Card 28

 PATH	 WELCOME	 GOOD WORKS
 HOPE	 LAMP	 SHINE
 CITY	 JESUS	 LOVE

Picture Bingo

Let Your Light Shine Bingo

Cut out the cards. Call a word from the caller sheet. Cover three pictures in a straight row.

Card 29

 HELP	 LAMP	 KIND
 FATHER	 WELCOME	 SHARE
 CITY	 CARE	 HILL

Card 30

 WORD	 PEACE	 CARE
 SHARE	 SHINE	 GOOD WORKS
 HOPE	 HEAVEN	 JESUS

Game Instructions

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

6–12 years • 2–20 players • 25 minutes

Prepare

10 minutes. Printed sheets, pencils, paper markers; adult scissors for cut-out cards.

How to play

An adult places the six numbered station sheets in one supervised area. Pairs visit them in order, read the short WEB passage or excerpt and answer the printed question on their record sheet. Check together using the host key.

Make it easier

An adult reads the passages and accepts spoken answers.

Try a challenge

Explain how the three passages use light as a picture.

Larger groups

Make supervised groups of four to six, with a full play set and a helper or reader for each group. Rotate turns and offer a seated or quiet option.

Space and supervision

Indoors; outdoor use only in a supervised bounded area with dry paper and suitable weather.

Keep it welcoming

Adults supervise scissors and small pieces. Keep routes clear; no climbing, flames or darkness. Children may pass, watch or choose a quieter activity.

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

1. John 8:12 — I am the light of the world. He who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life. Question: Who is speaking these words? (World English Bible; public domain)

2. Matthew 5:14 — You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can't be hidden. Question: Where is the city located? (World English Bible; public domain)

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

3. Psalm 119:105 — Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light for my path. Question: What object is God's word compared with? (World English Bible; public domain)

4. Psalm 119:105 — Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light for my path. Question: What does the light help someone follow? (World English Bible; public domain)

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

5. Matthew 5:16 — Even so, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven. Question: What can other people see? (World English Bible; public domain)

6. Matthew 5:16 — Even so, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven. Question: Who is glorified? (World English Bible; public domain)

Answer Sheet

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

1. Who is speaking these words? Answer: Jesus

2. Where is the city located? Answer: A hill

3. What object is God’s word compared with? Answer: A lamp

4. What does the light help someone follow? Answer: A path

5. What can other people see? Answer: Your good works

6. Who is glorified? Answer: Your Father in heaven

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Bible Light Trail

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

1. Who is speaking these words? Answer: _____

2. Where is the city located? Answer: _____

3. What object is God's word compared with? Answer: _____

4. What does the light help someone follow? Answer: _____

5. What can other people see? Answer: _____

6. Who is glorified? Answer: _____

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Acts of Kindness Challenge

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Invite someone to join your table.	Say thank you to a helper.
Offer to pass the crayons.	Listen while someone else speaks.
Help tidy one safe shared space.	Give a kind compliment.
Ask a friend which activity they prefer.	Make a card for someone who is absent.

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Acts of Kindness Challenge

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Offer a turn without being asked.	Encourage someone trying a new craft.
Choose a quiet action that includes someone.	Ask before helping with another person's work.
Pray quietly for someone, if you choose.	Make a hopeful bookmark for a friend.
Ask how a helper is feeling.	Notice one good thing someone has done.

Game Instructions

Name: _____

Acts of Kindness Challenge

5–12 years • 2–30 players • 20 minutes

Prepare

5 minutes. Printed sheets, pencils, paper markers; adult scissors for cut-out cards.

How to play

Read Matthew 5:16 together. Children choose or swap a printed kindness card, try the action and reflect privately or with a trusted adult. Keep participation voluntary; the actions are examples, not a way to earn God's love.

Make it easier

Choose one class or family action together.

Try a challenge

Plan a realistic follow-up act for the coming week.

Larger groups

Make supervised groups of four to six, with a full play set and a helper or reader for each group. Rotate turns and offer a seated or quiet option.

Space and supervision

Indoors; outdoor use only in a supervised bounded area with dry paper and suitable weather.

Keep it welcoming

Adults supervise scissors and small pieces. Keep routes clear; no climbing, flames or darkness. Children may pass, watch or choose a quieter activity.

Game Instructions

Name: _____

Light of the World Matching

6–12 years • 2–8 players • 20 minutes

Prepare

5 minutes. Printed sheets, pencils, paper markers; adult scissors for cut-out cards.

How to play

Read the included WEB verses. Cut the question and answer cards and spread them face up. Match each question to its single answer word, then check with the key. For a memory game, turn the cards face down and take turns finding pairs.

Make it easier

Keep the verses visible and read questions aloud.

Try a challenge

Explain which Bible reference supports each pair.

Larger groups

Make supervised groups of four to six, with a full play set and a helper or reader for each group. Rotate turns and offer a seated or quiet option.

Space and supervision

Indoors; outdoor use only in a supervised bounded area with dry paper and suitable weather.

Keep it welcoming

Adults supervise scissors and small pieces. Keep routes clear; no climbing, flames or darkness. Children may pass, watch or choose a quieter activity.

Answer Sheet

Name: _____

Light of the World Matching

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Who calls himself the light of the world in John 8:12? Answer: Jesus

What does Jesus call himself in John 8:12? Answer: Light

What place is named in “light of the world”? Answer: World

In Psalm 119:105, God’s word is compared with what object? Answer: Lamp

In Psalm 119:105, the lamp helps which part of the body? Answer: Feet

In Psalm 119:105, the light helps someone follow what? Answer: Path

Answer Sheet

Name: _____

Light of the World Matching

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

Who calls himself the light of the world in John 8:12?	Jesus
What does Jesus call himself in John 8:12?	Light
What place is named in “light of the world”?	World
In Psalm 119:105, God’s word is compared with what object?	Lamp

Answer Sheet

Name: _____

Light of the World Matching

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

In Psalm 119:105, the lamp helps which part of the body?	Feet
In Psalm 119:105, the light helps someone follow what?	Path

Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Light of the World Matching

Cut on the card outlines • Christian activity

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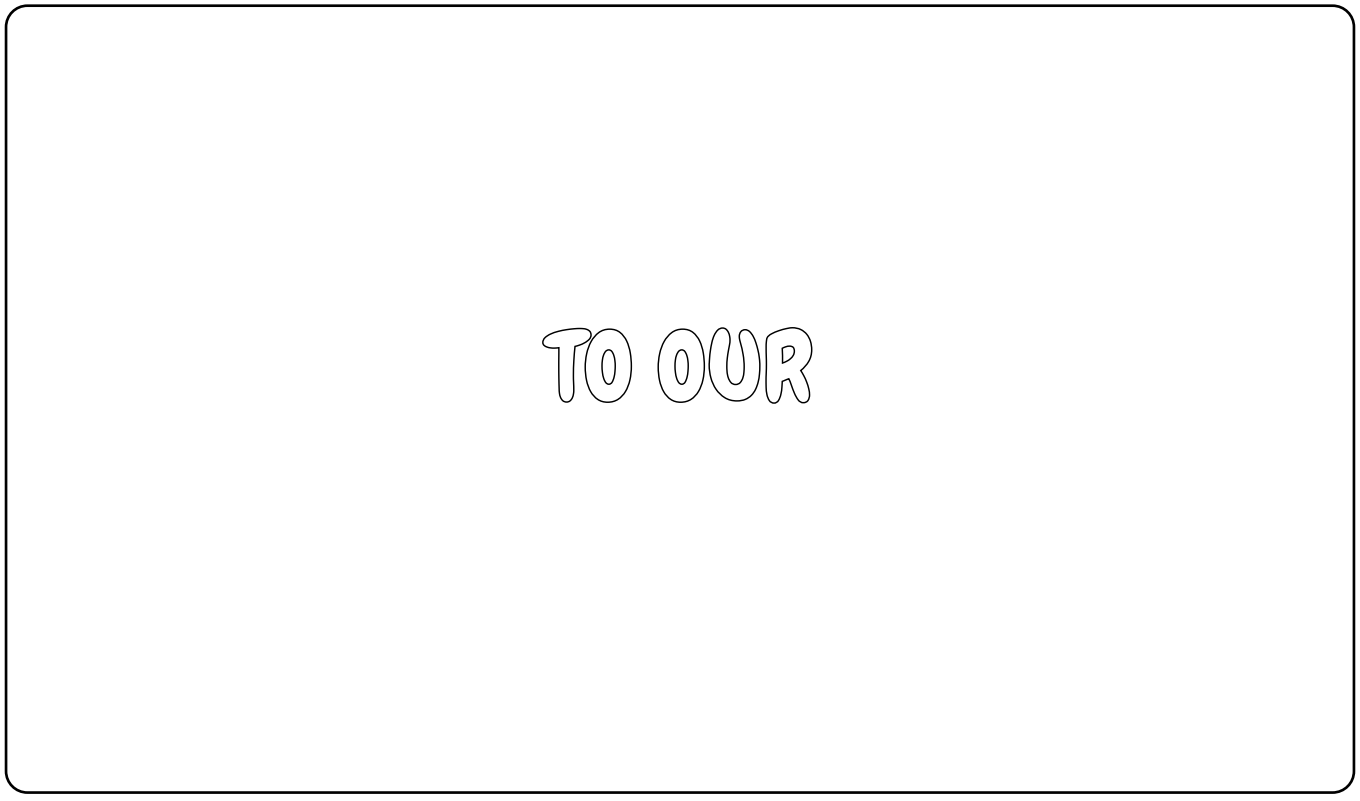
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Name: _____

Welcome to Our Light Party Banner

Light Party • Host preparation and display

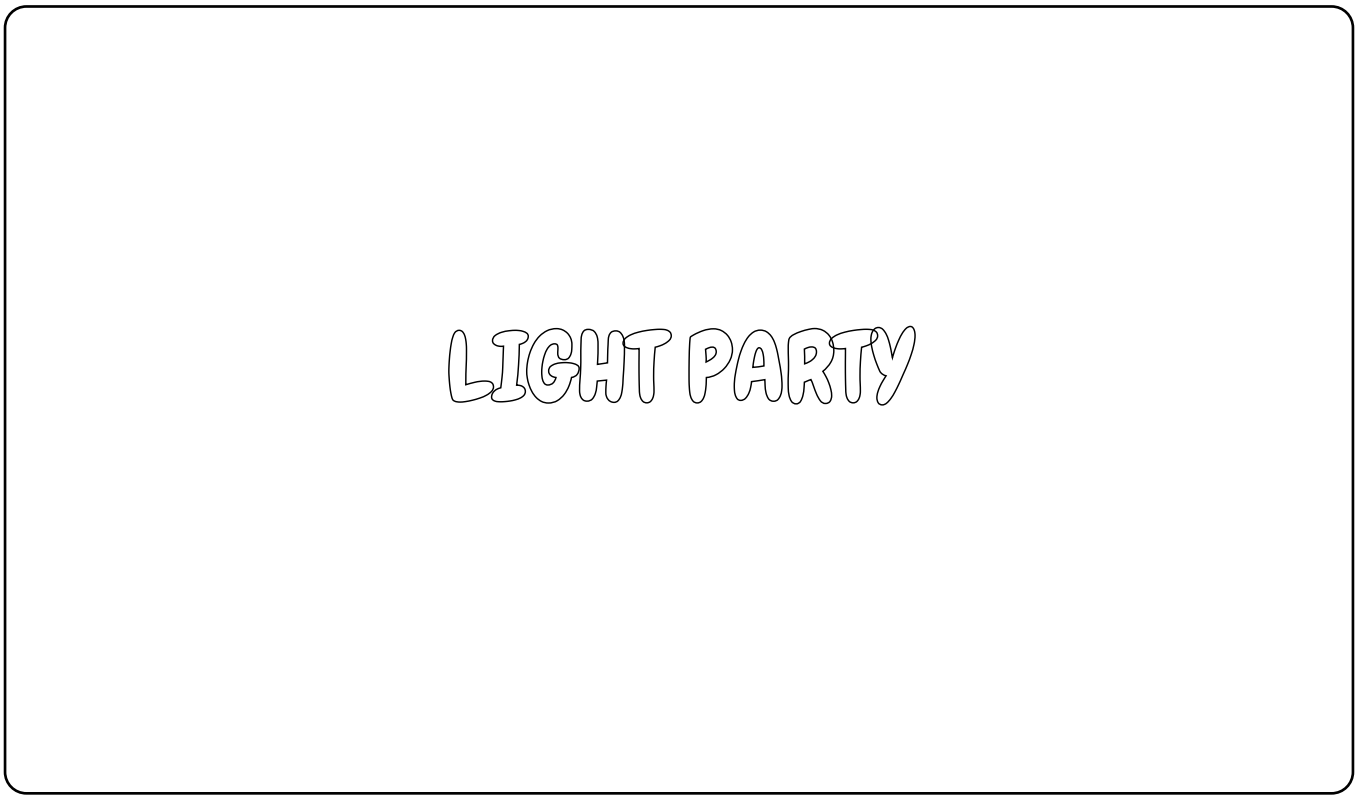




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Welcome to Our Light Party Banner

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines

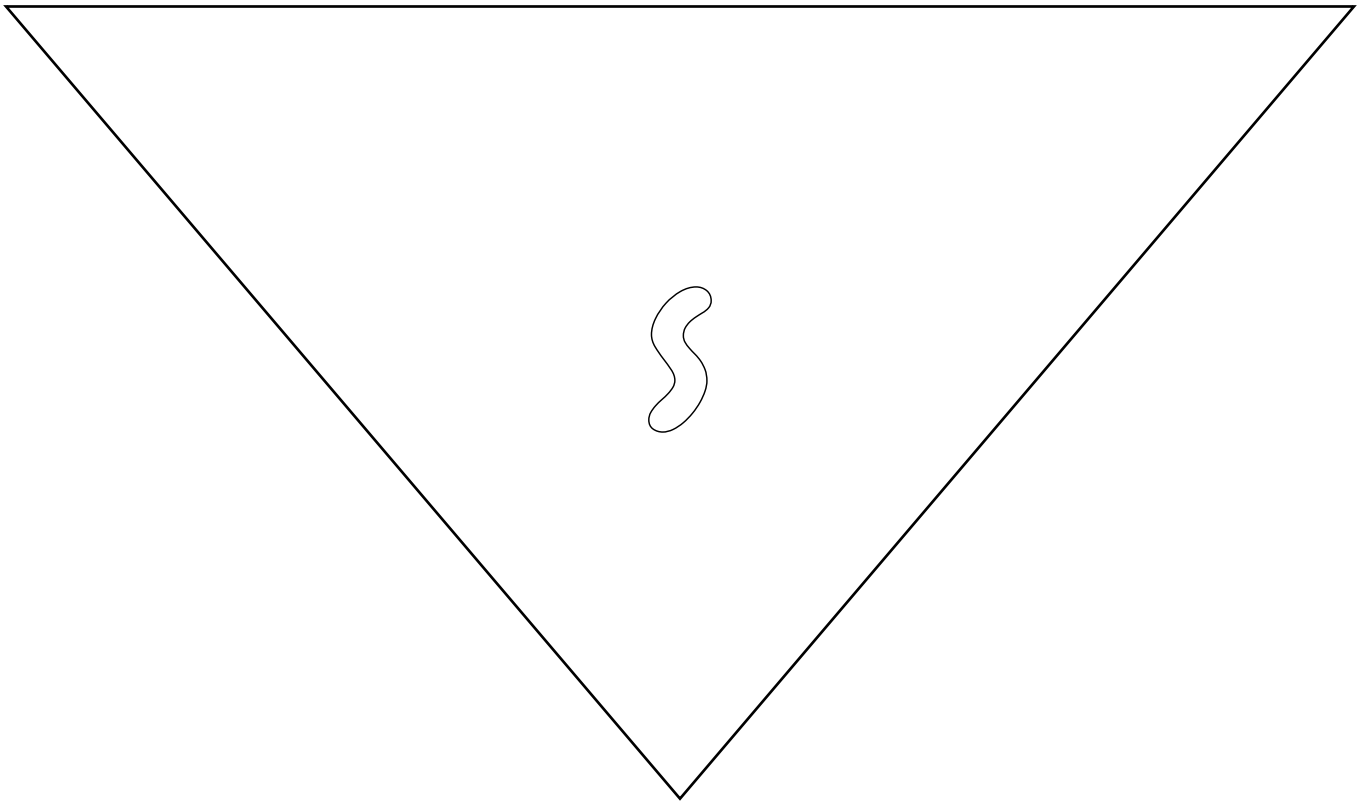


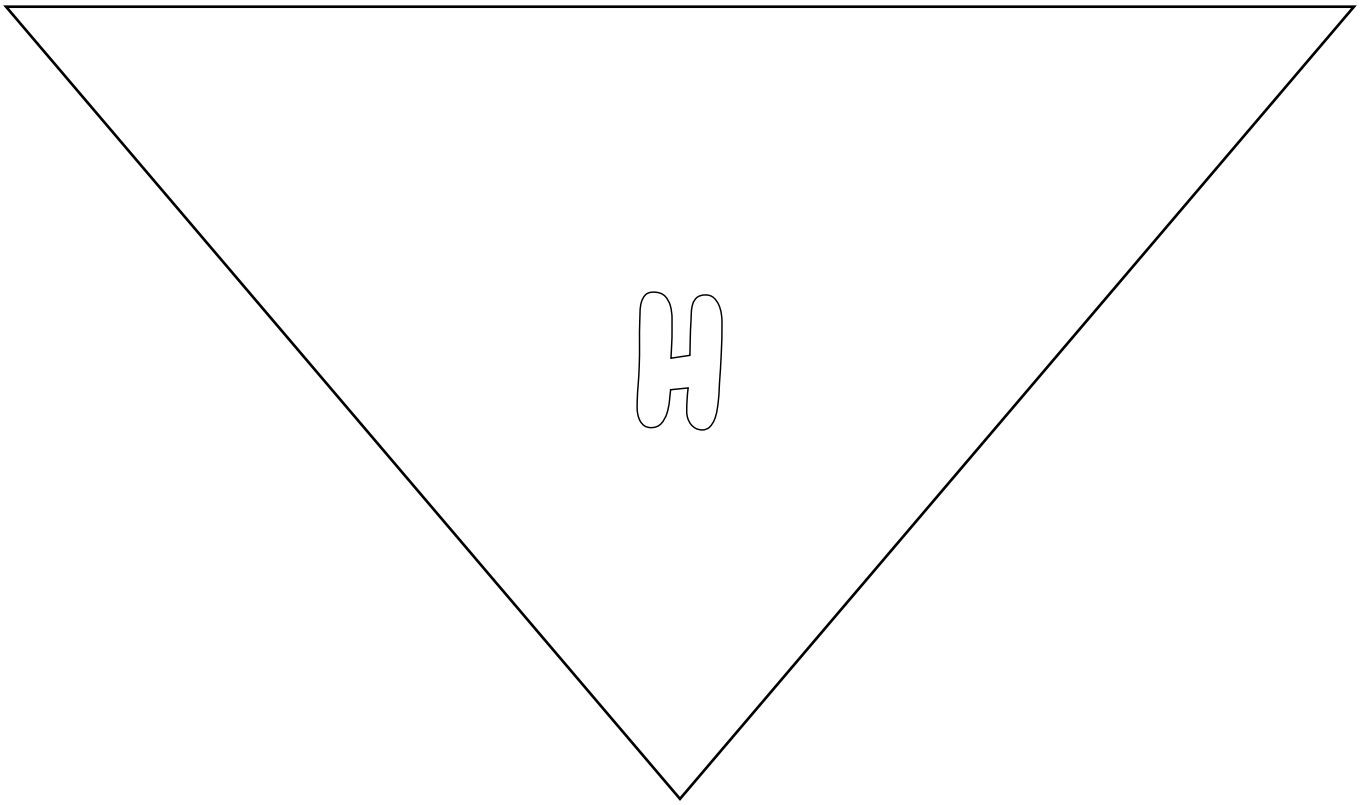
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Name: _____

Shine Bright Bunting

Light Party • Host preparation and display



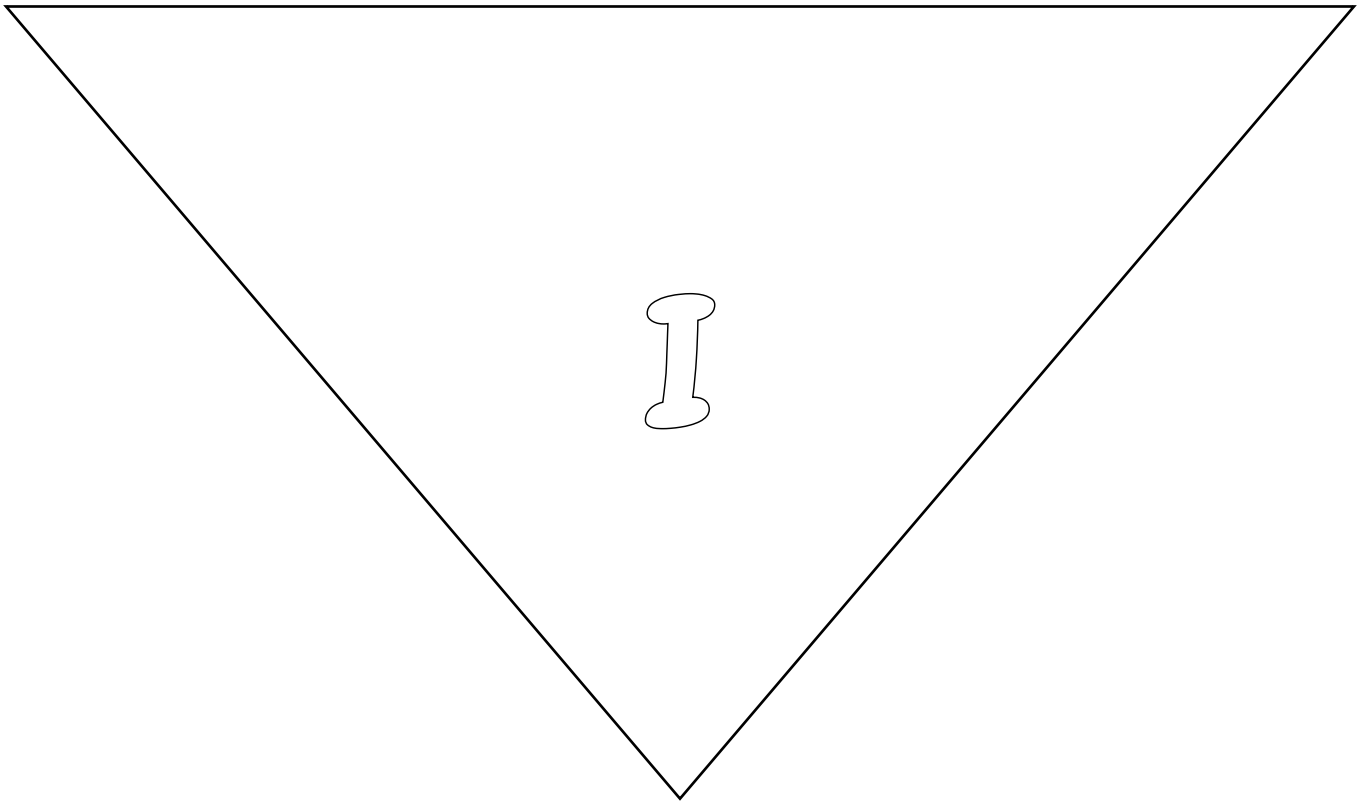


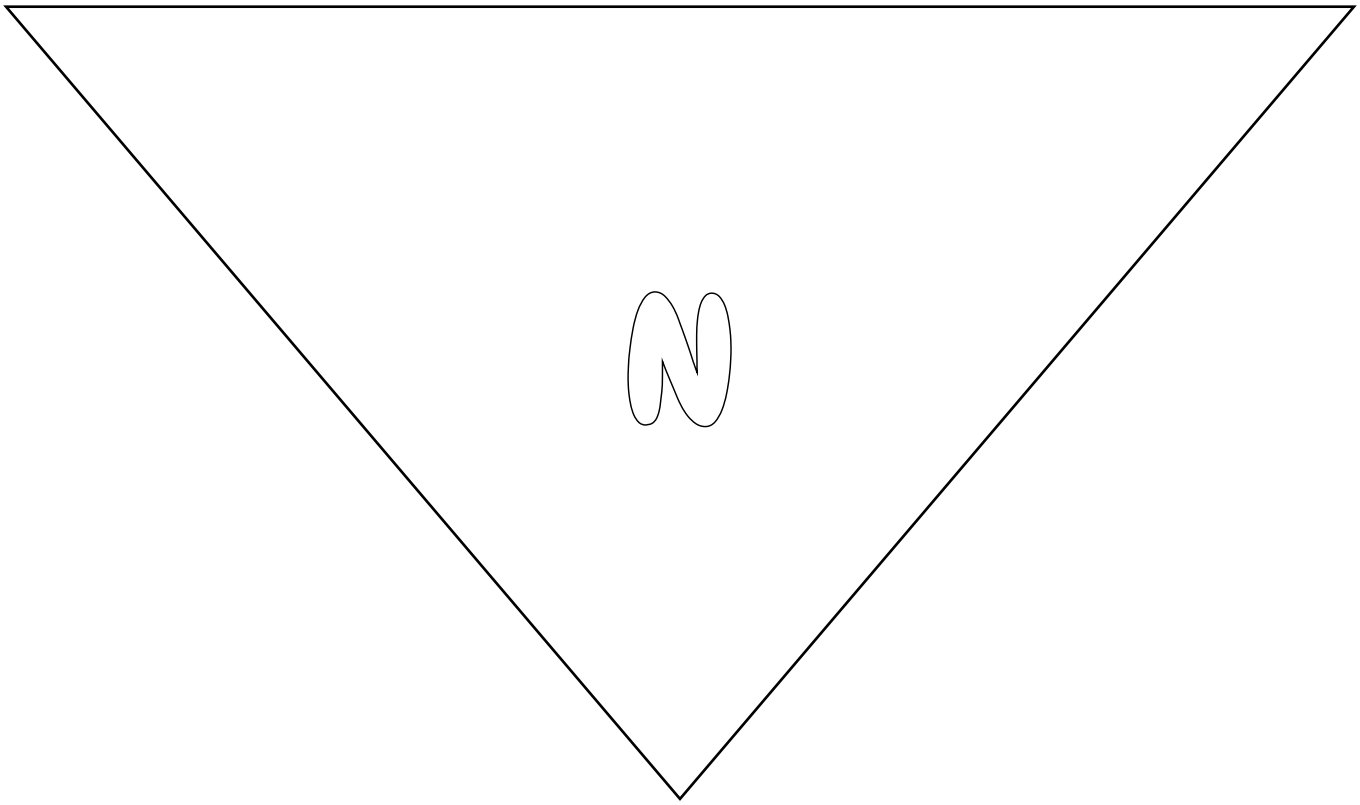
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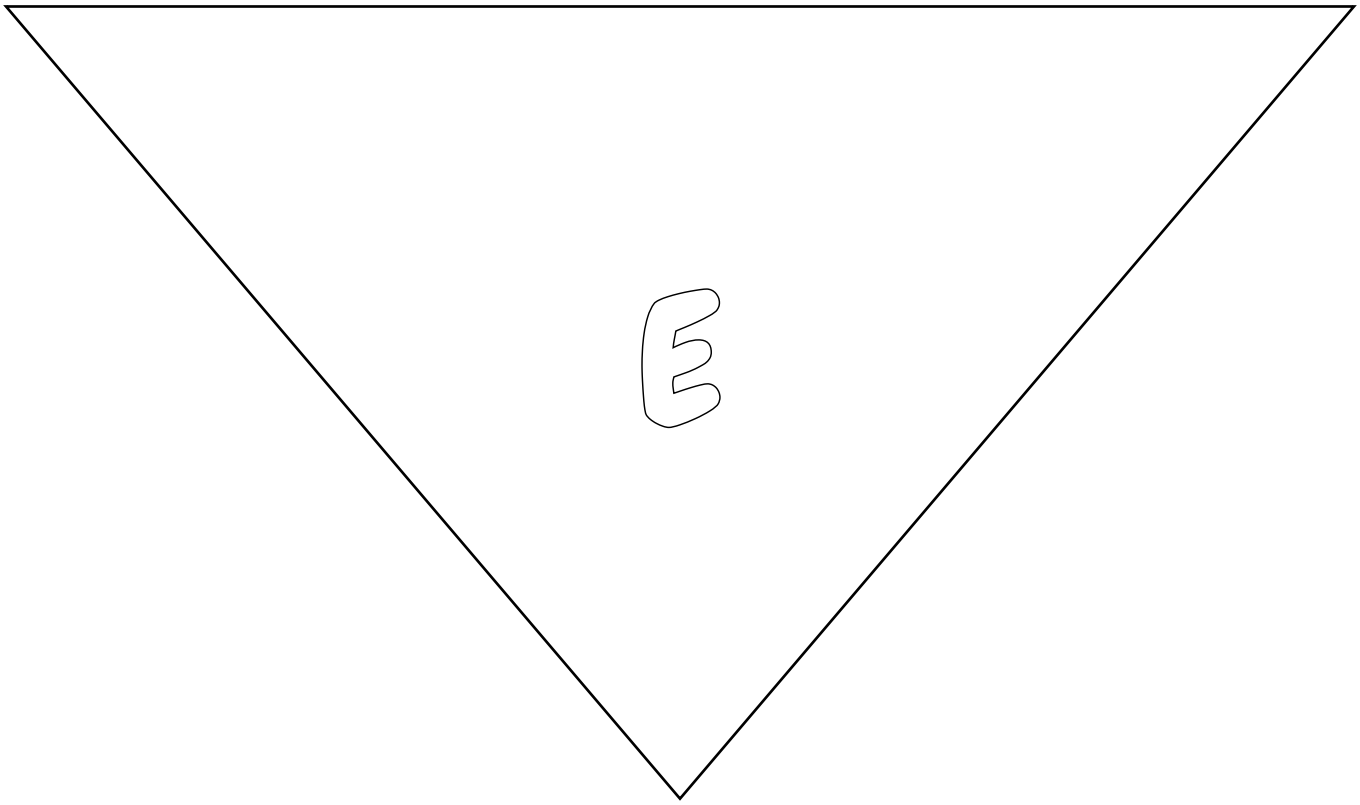


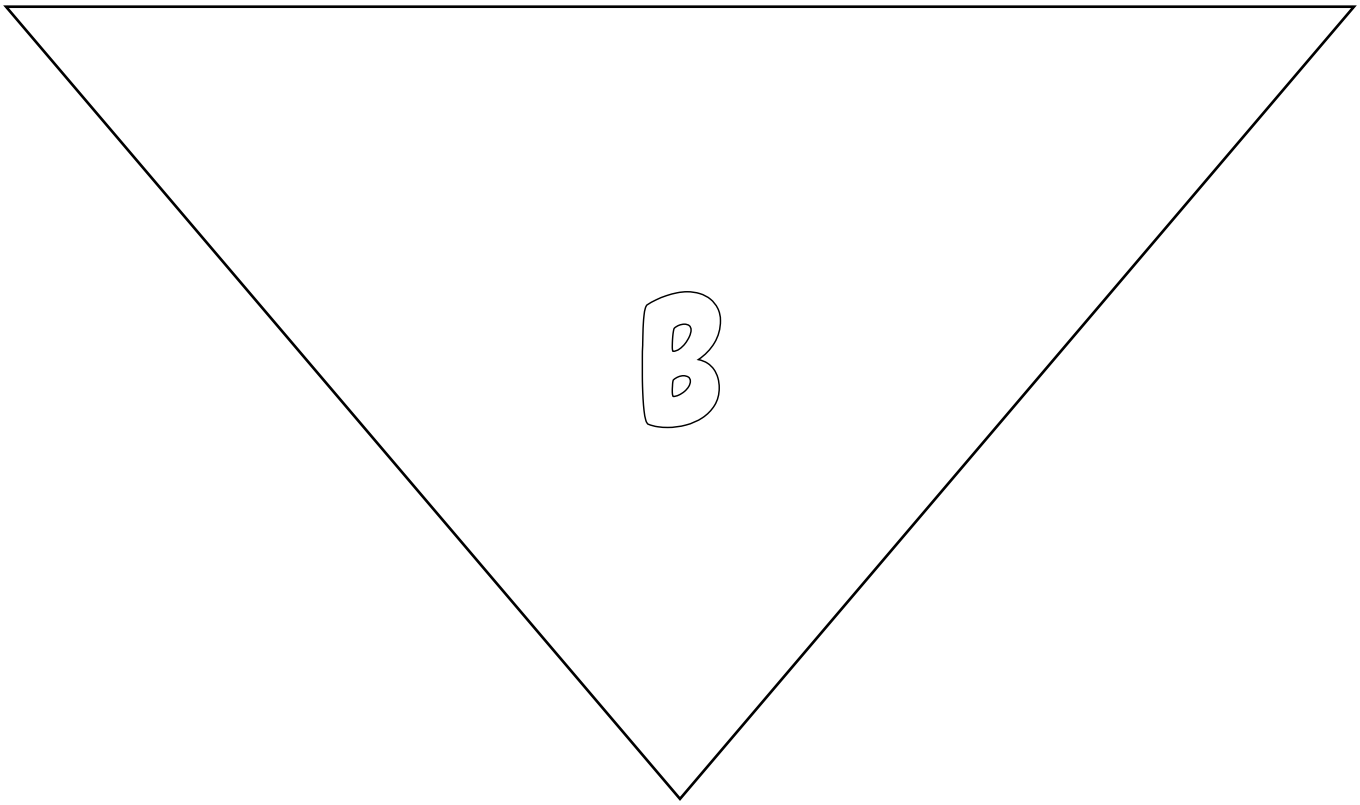
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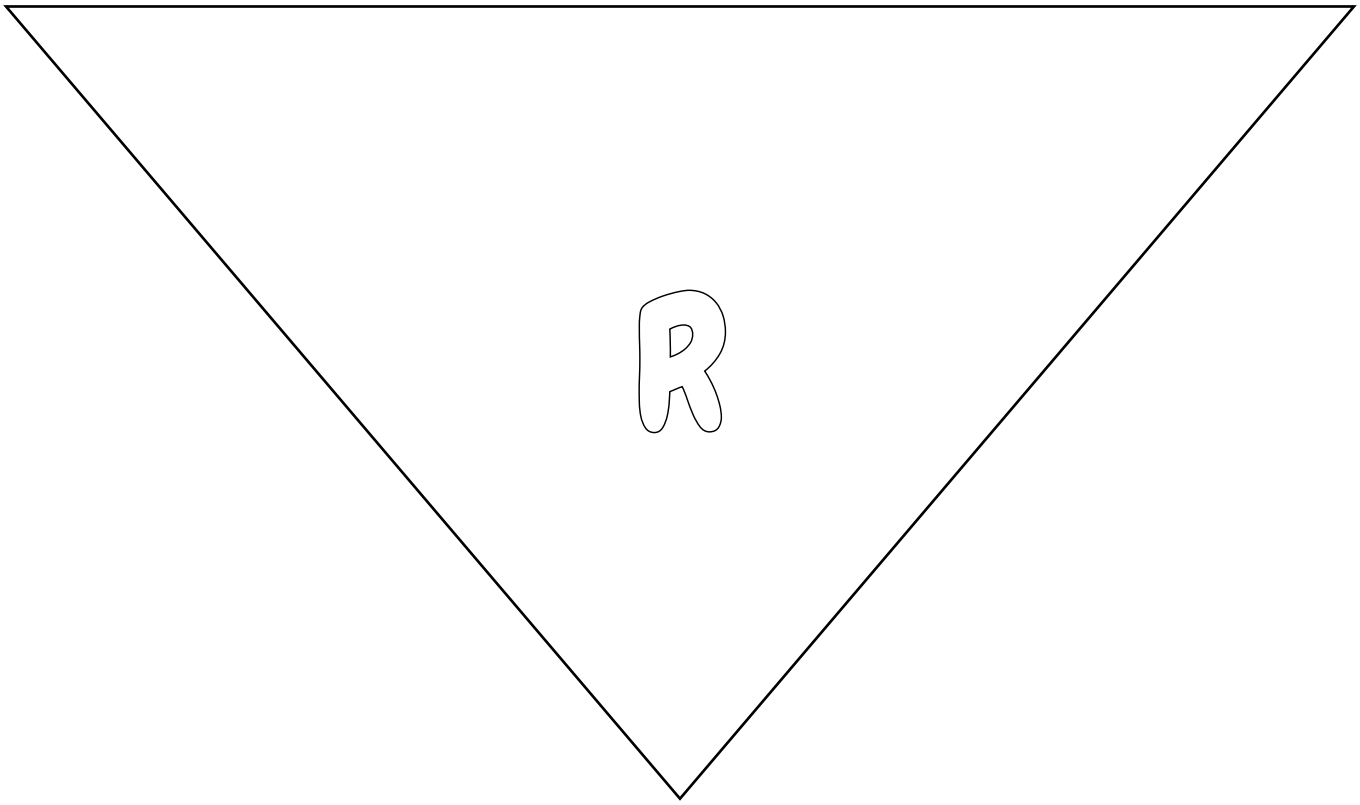


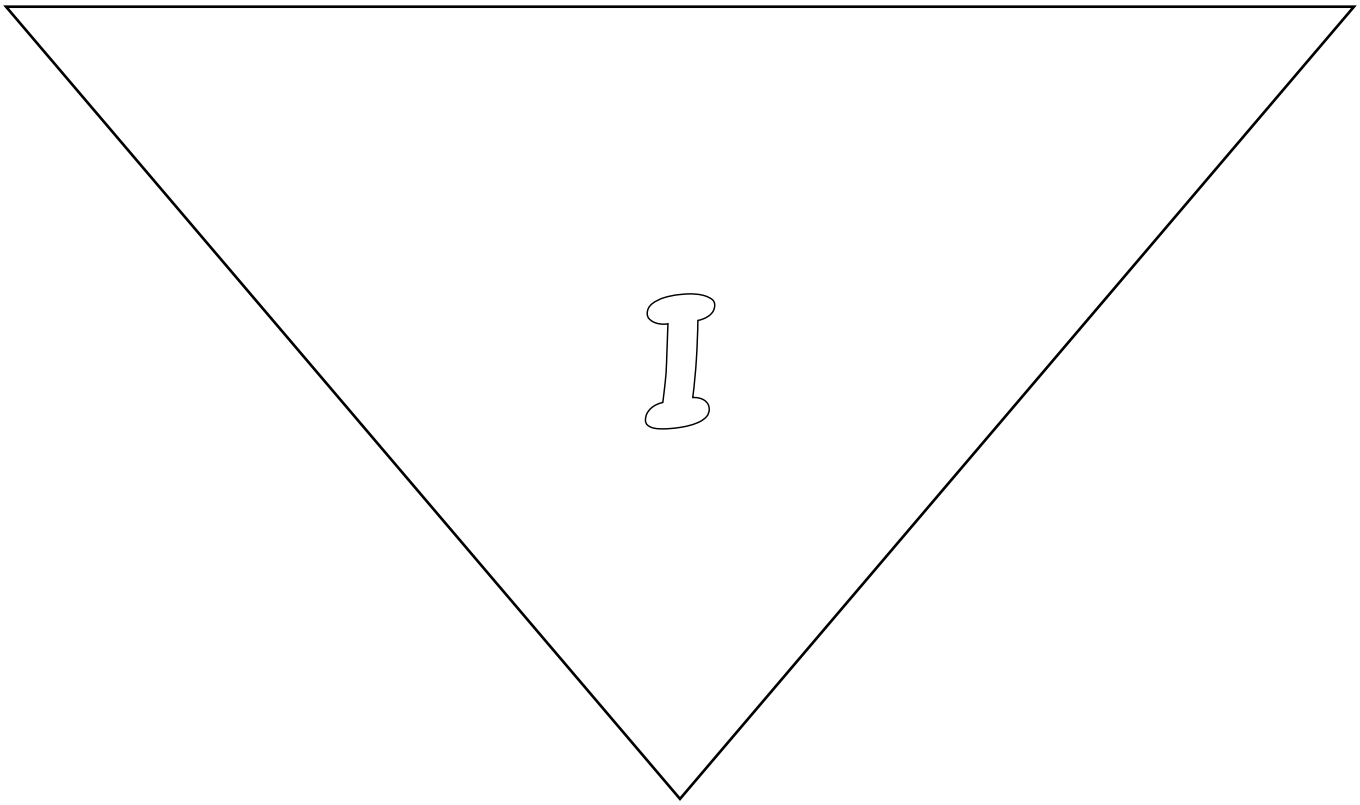
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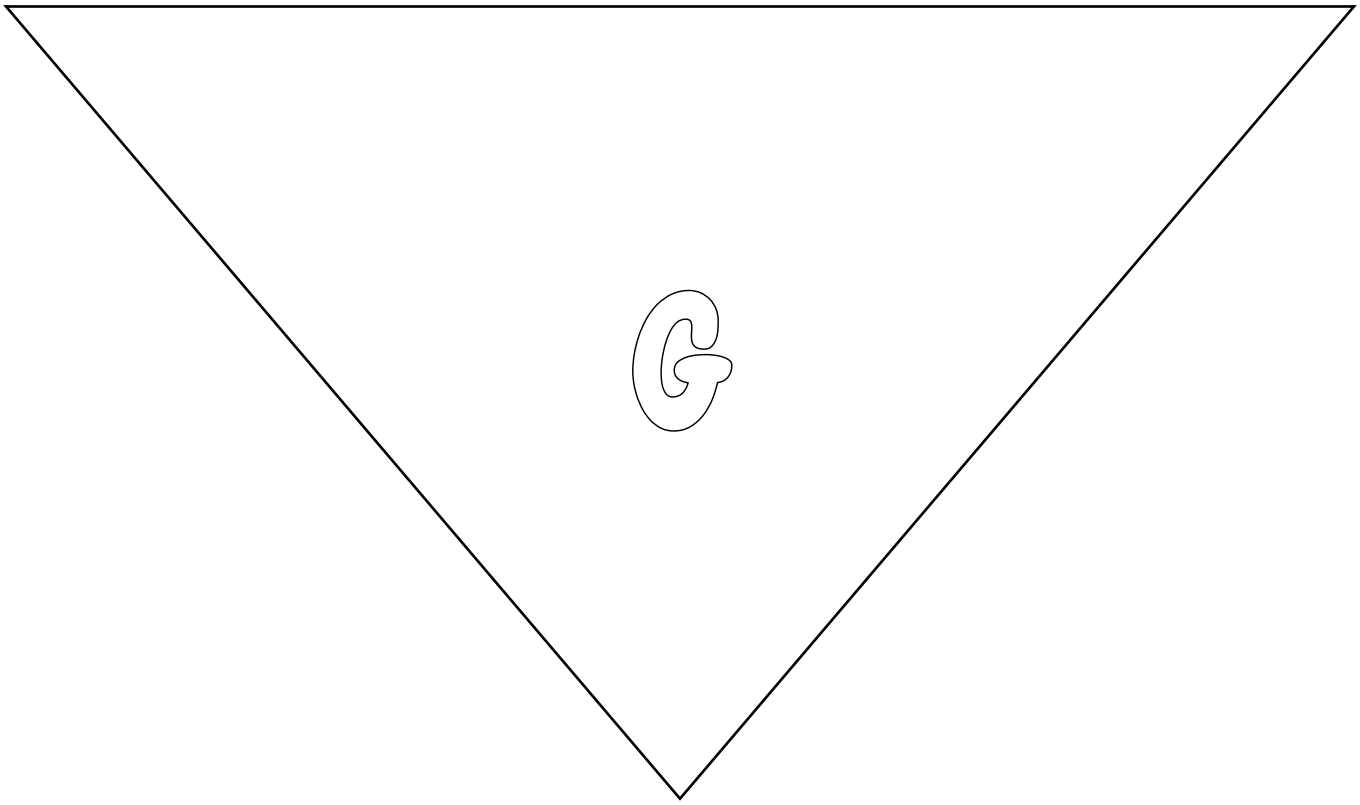


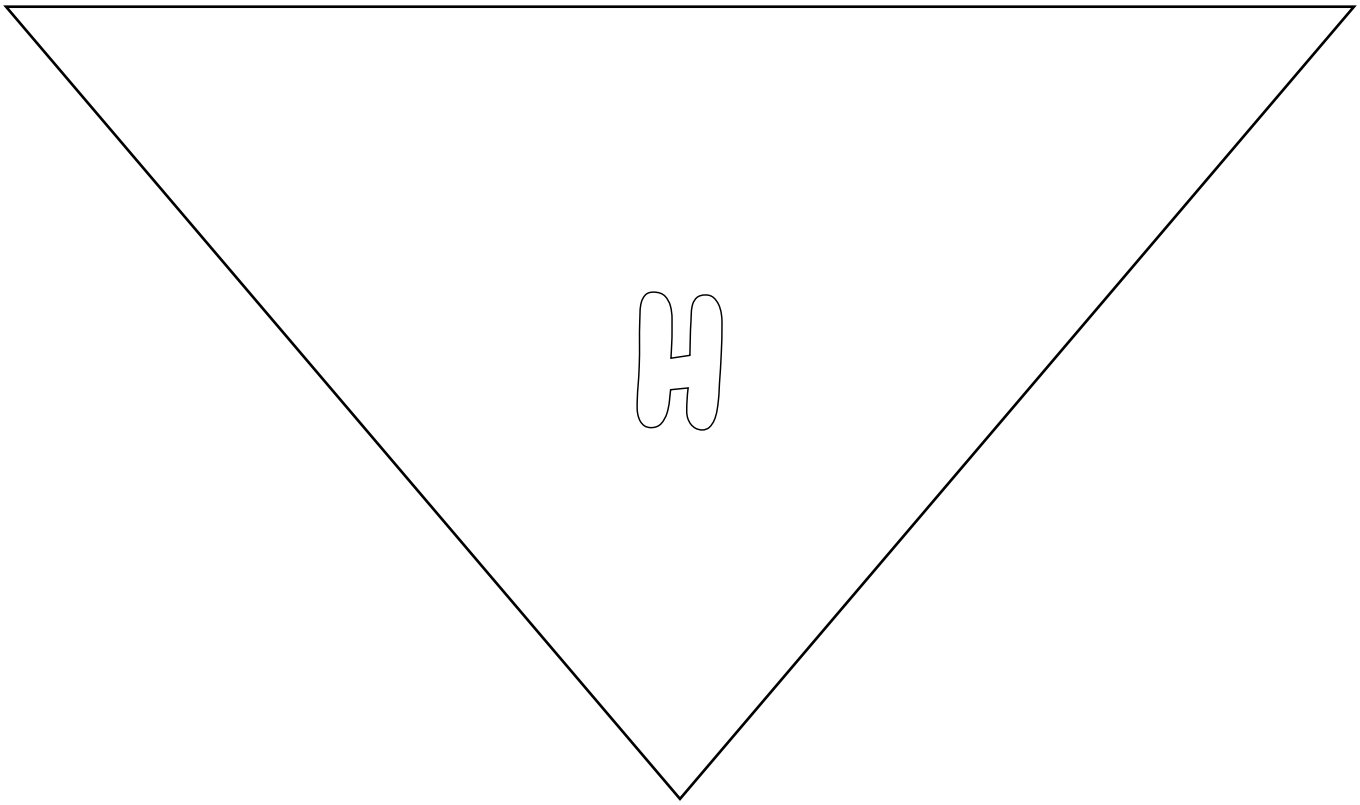
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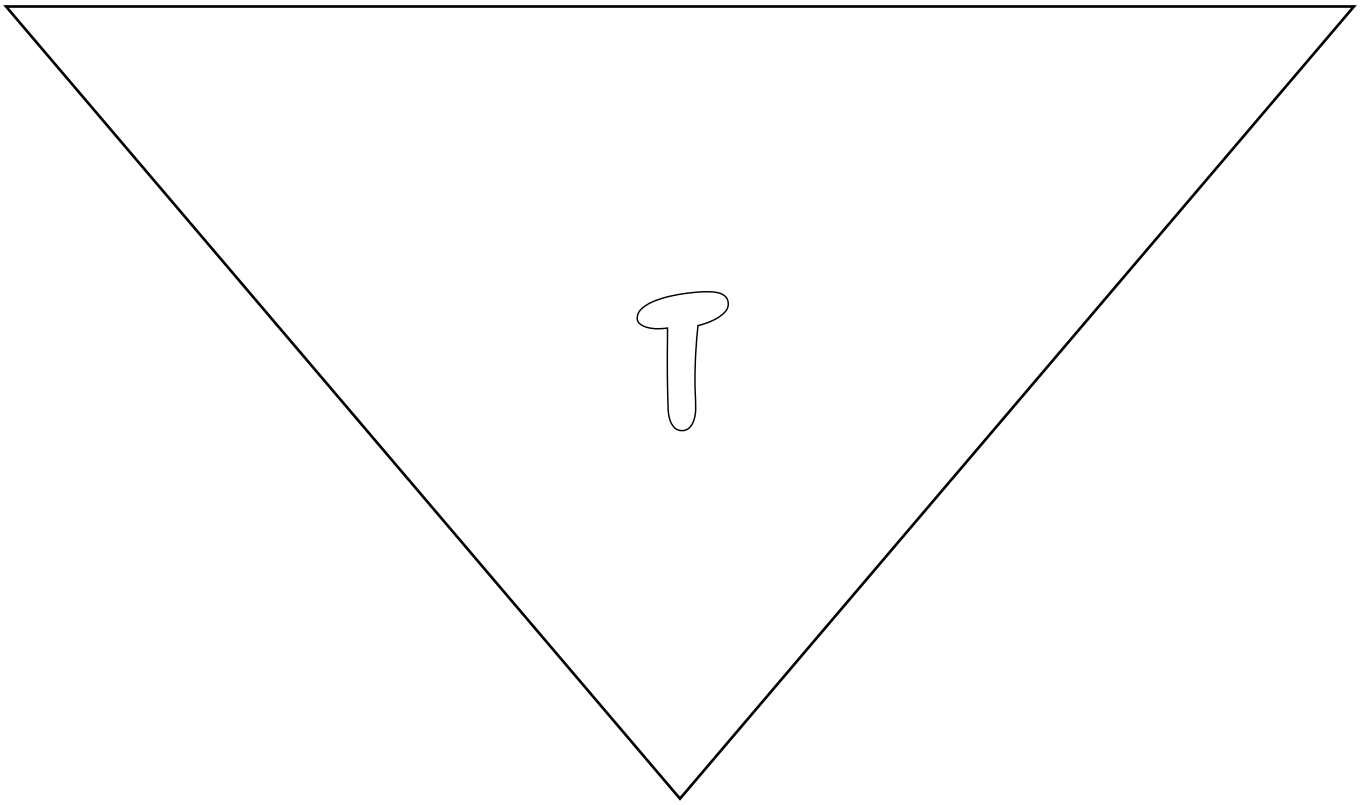


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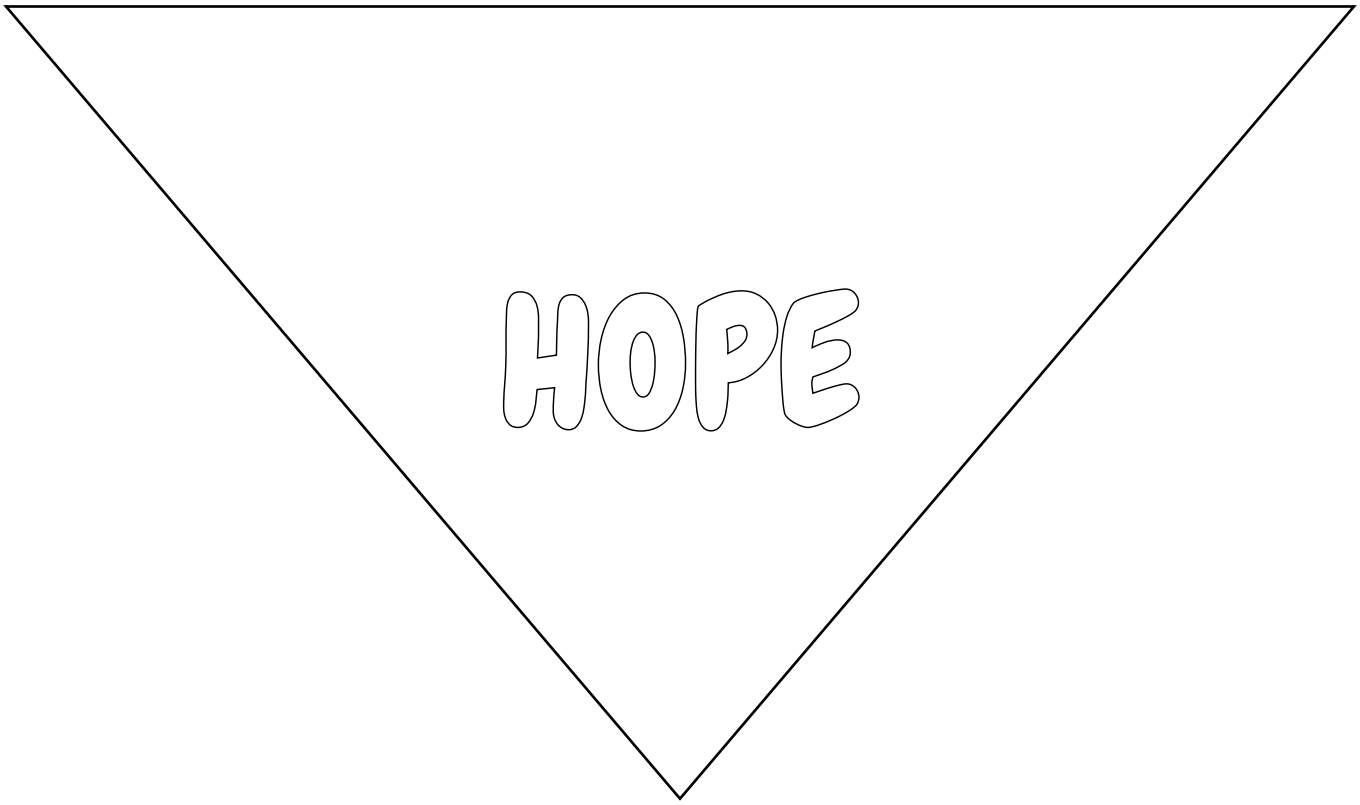


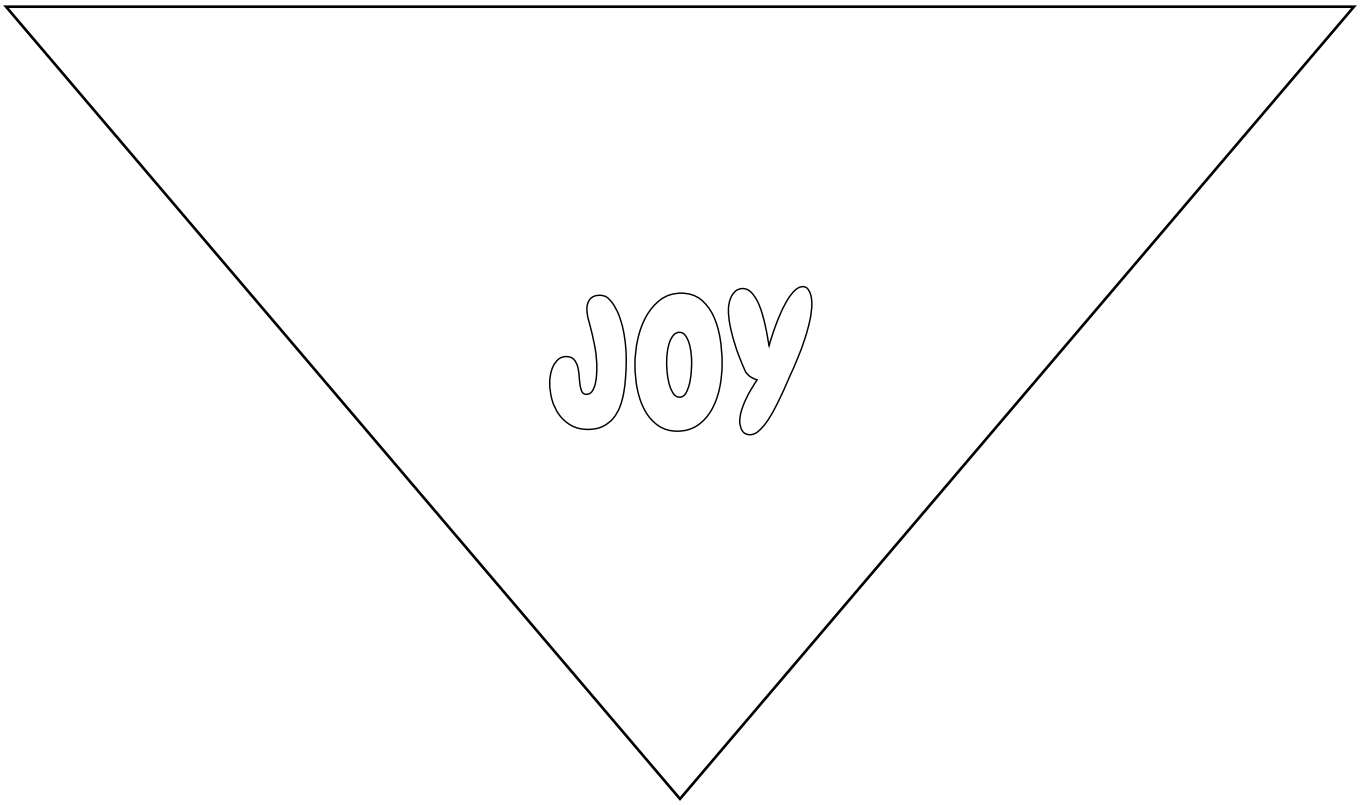
Party Decorations

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Rainbow Light Party Flags

Light Party • Host preparation and display



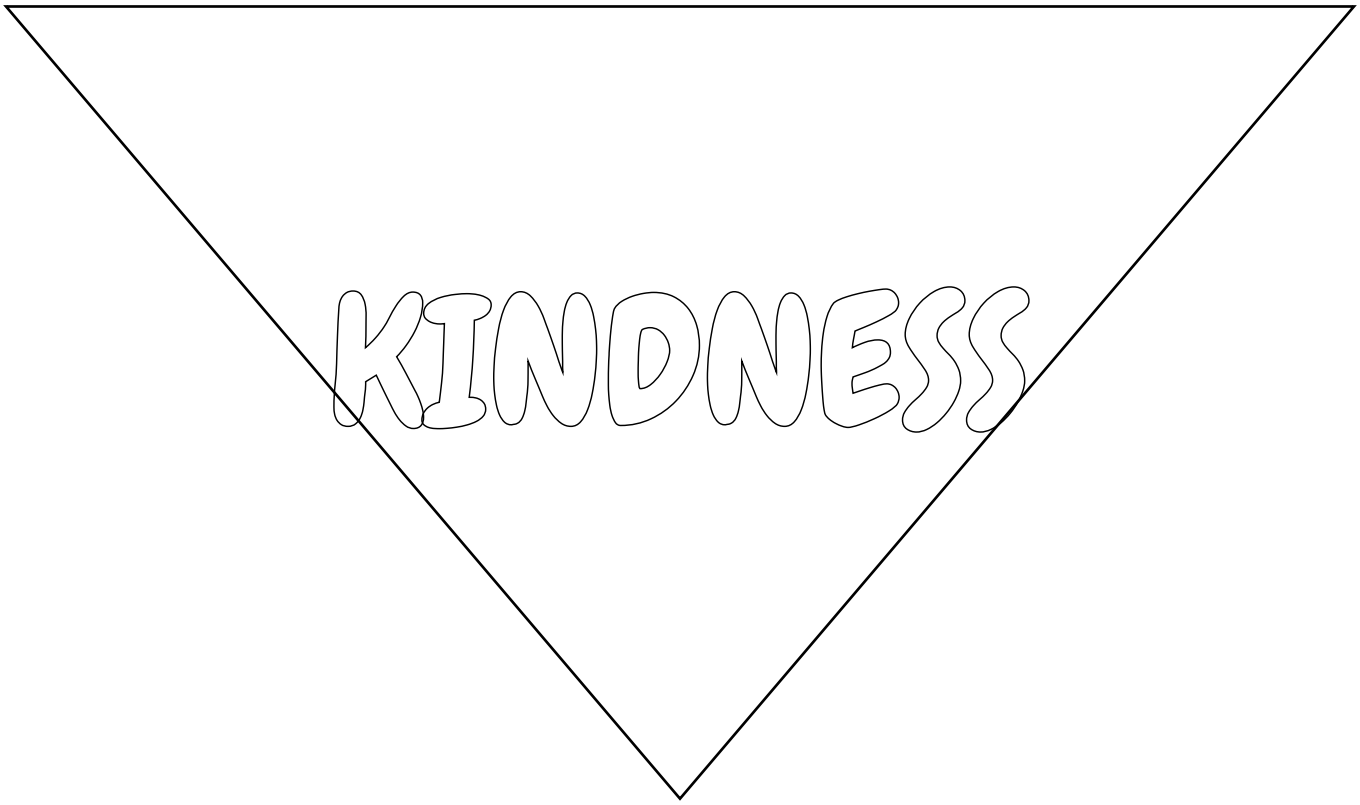


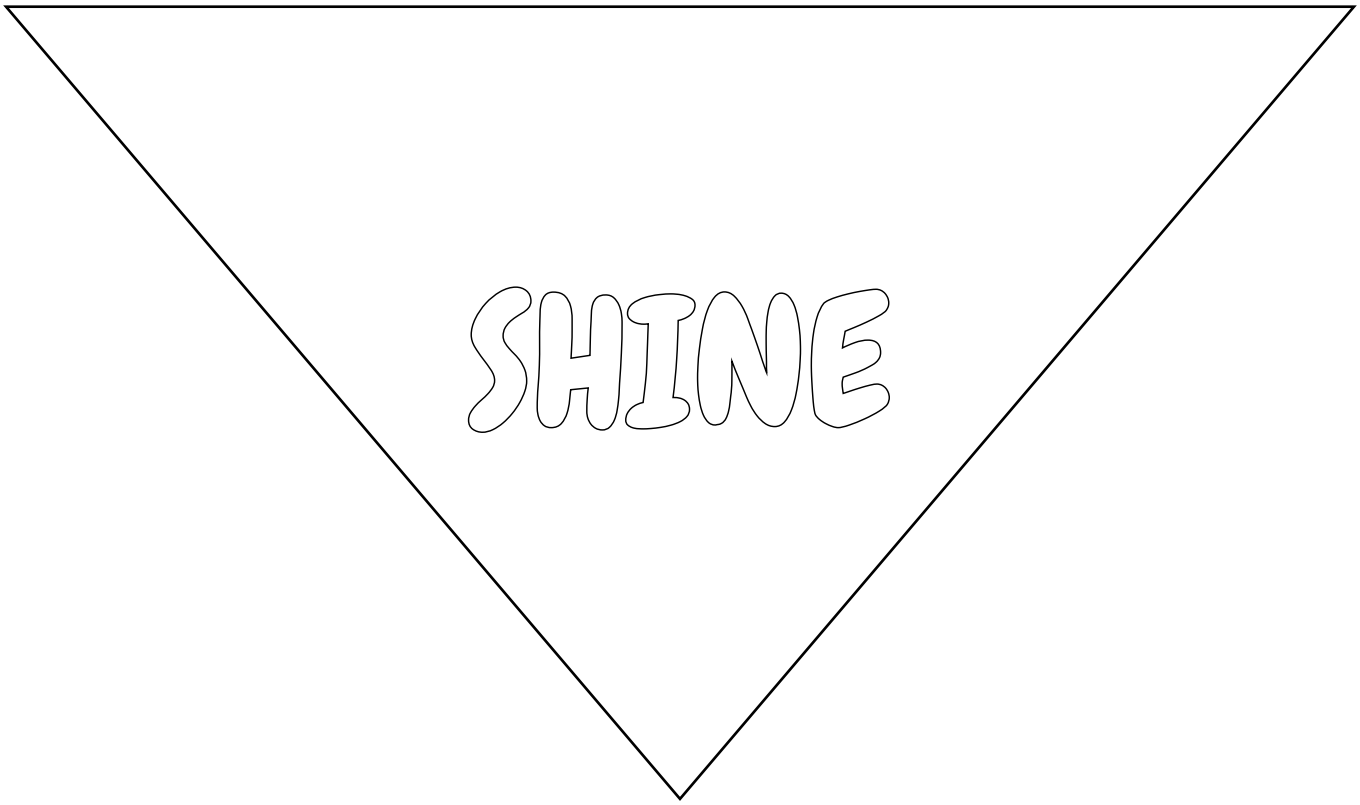
Party Decorations

Name: _____

Rainbow Light Party Flags

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines





Name: _____

Light Party Door Signs

Light Party • Host preparation and display

WELCOME

QUIET SPACE

Name: _____

Light Party Door Signs

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines

ACTIVITY ROOM

PLEASE ASK A HELPER

Name: _____

Light Party Activity Station Signs

Light Party • Host preparation and display

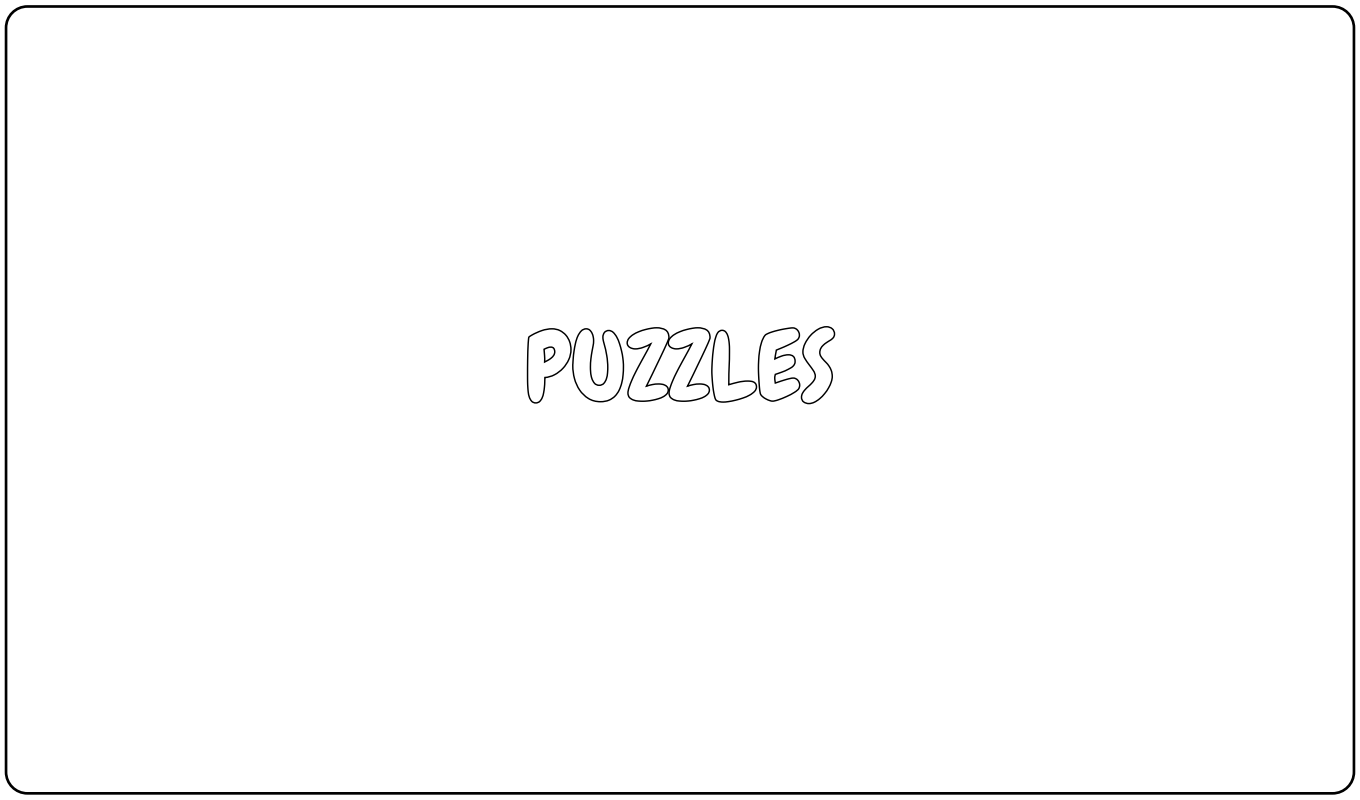
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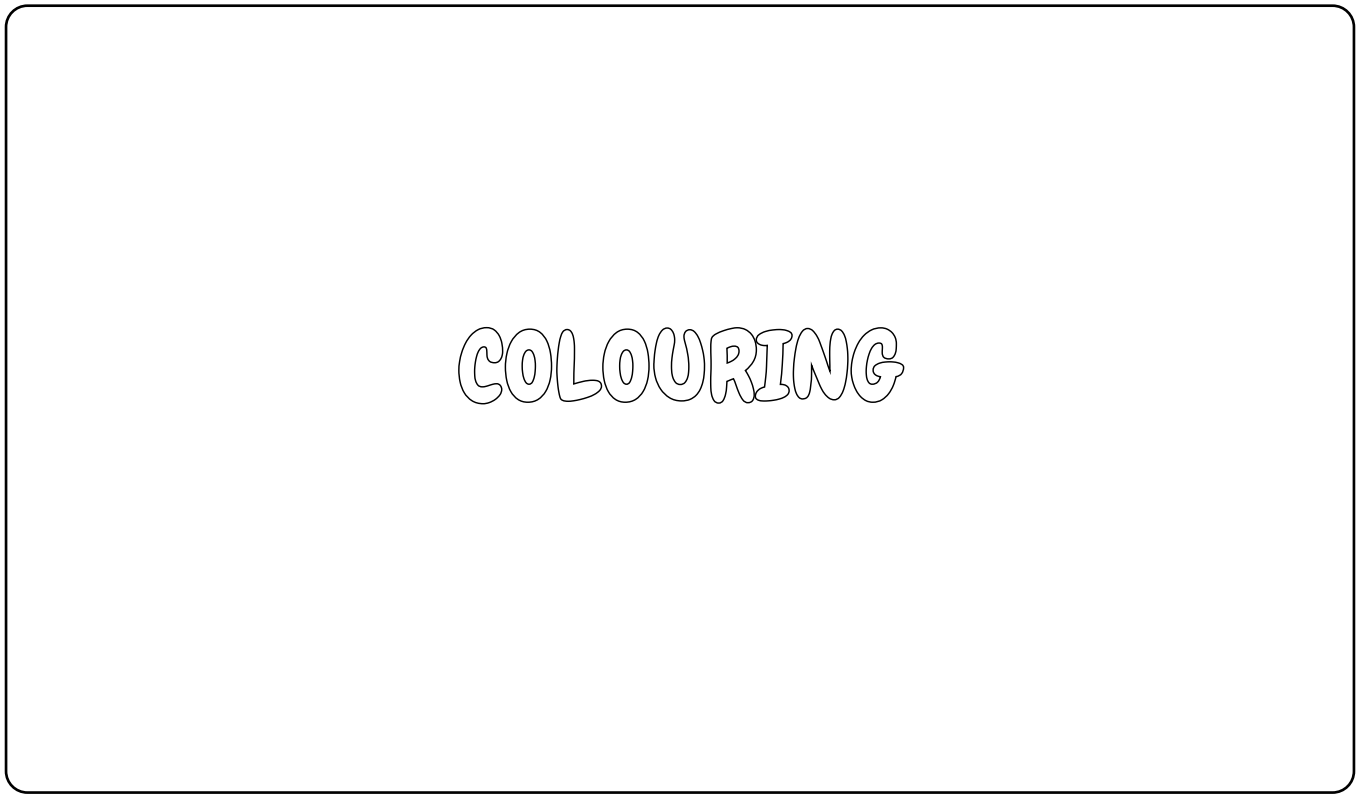
STAR CRAFT

Name: _____

Light Party Activity Station Signs

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines





Name: _____

Light Party Activity Station Signs

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines

GAMES

WATER BREAK

Name: _____

Printable Light Party Stars

Light Party • Host preparation and display









Name: _____

Light Party Scripture Verse Posters

Light Party • Host preparation and display

World English Bible quotations, public domain. Christian display; choose a general sign for a non-religious space.

John 8:12

I am the light of the world. He who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life.

Matthew 5:14

You are the light of the world. A city located on a hill can’t be hidden.

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Even so, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light for my path.

Name: _____

Light Party Folded Table Decorations

Light Party • Host preparation and display

SHINE BRIGHT

Fold dashed line; stand as a tent

BE KIND

Fold dashed line; stand as a tent

Name: _____

Light Party Folded Table Decorations

Display pieces • Cut on solid outlines

SHARE A SMILE

Fold dashed line; stand as a tent

LET HOPE SHINE

Fold dashed line; stand as a tent

Name: _____

Light Party Thank-You Cards

Light Party • Host preparation and display

Thank you for helping our Light Party shine!

To

_____

Thank you for

_____

From

_____

Name: _____

Light Party Take-Home Labels

Light Party • Host preparation and display

Thanks for shining with us!

Keep sharing kindness!

Take a little light home!

You helped brighten our day!

Planning Sheet

Name: _____

Light Party Volunteer Roster and Briefing

Light Party • Host preparation and display

Name a lead for registration, collection, each station, food, quiet space and cleanup. Brief helpers on safeguarding procedures, allergies, access needs and how to raise a concern.

Helper	Time	Station / role	Backup / notes

Planning Sheet

Name: _____

Light Party Planning Checklist

Light Party • Host preparation and display

- [ ] Confirm the purpose and clearly label any Christian sessions
- [ ] Book venue, capacity, accessible route and toilets
- [ ] Agree safeguarding, supervision and collection procedures
- [ ] Choose date, start and finish times
- [ ] Set registration limit and RSVP contact
- [ ] Ask families about access, sensory and food needs
- [ ] Set budget and record confirmed donations
- [ ] Choose a manageable craft and game programme
- [ ] Assign helpers and station responsibilities
- [ ] Order supplies and print actual-size test sheets
- [ ] Prepare food ingredient and allergen information
- [ ] Check LED products and secure all batteries
- [ ] Plan quiet space, water and transitions
- [ ] Brief helpers and check room before arrival
- [ ] Check children out, clean up and review spending

Reflection Sheet

Name: _____

Jesus, the Light of the World

Optional Christian reflection • Ages 3–5 • Five minutes including pauses

0:00–1:00 | Notice light

Show a paper lantern in the normally lit room. Say: “What helps us see where to put our feet? Light helps us see. Today Christians are celebrating Jesus. Jesus said something special about himself.” Read John 8:12 slowly. Explain: “Jesus calls himself the light of the world. He invites people to follow him.” Let children point to the lantern, speak or simply watch.

1:00–2:00 | Following Jesus

Say: “A light helps us find our way. Christians believe Jesus shows us God’s love and helps us learn how to live. Following Jesus means listening to him and learning his way.” Pause and let children mime taking one careful step while remaining beside their seats. Nobody needs to walk in darkness.

2:00–3:00 | A small kind action

Say: “Jesus welcomes children. We can welcome someone too. We can offer a pencil, make room at the table or ask an adult to help a friend.” Invite children to choose one example with a gesture or words. Give them time to think; passing is fine.

3:00–4:00 | A light for our steps

Read Psalm 119:105. Say: “This Bible song says God’s word is like a lamp for our feet. We can learn one good step at a time.” Slowly repeat the three examples, inviting children to pretend to share a pencil, make room or wave to a friend.

4:00–5:00 | Finish calmly

Say: “Christians thank Jesus for being the light of the world. We can keep learning from him and sharing kindness.” Invite a silent moment or optional prayer: “Jesus, thank you for welcoming us. Help us listen and be kind. Amen.” Children may listen without praying. Point to the quiet colouring alternative and explain the next activity.

Reflection Sheet

Name: _____

Jesus, the Light of the World

Optional Christian reflection • Ages 6–8 • Five minutes including pauses

0:00–1:00 | What does light do?

Show the paper lantern and invite two ideas about what light helps us do. Keep the room lit. Read John 8:12. Say: “Jesus uses light as a picture to tell people who he is. Christians believe he brings us God’s truth and life.” Give a moment to notice the words “follows me”.

1:00–2:00 | More than a decoration

Say: “Jesus did not say he was just a pretty light. He invites people to follow him. Christians learn from his words, trust him and practise his way of love. The lantern reminds us of this, but the paper itself has no special power.” Invite a child to explain the difference between a reminder and the person it reminds us of.

2:00–3:00 | Kindness that points to God

Read Matthew 5:16. Explain that “men” here refers to people. Say: “Jesus asks his followers to do good so people give glory to God, rather than showing off.” Offer a scenario: someone is alone at a craft table. Ask what a welcoming action might look like. Allow several answers and time to pass.

3:00–4:00 | One next step

Read Psalm 119:105. Ask: “Why might a lamp show the next step rather than the whole journey?” Explain that reading and discussing the Bible can help Christians choose a next step. Invite children to draw or quietly think of one act of kindness they can try with adult support.

4:00–5:00 | Invitation and close

Repeat: “Jesus says he is the light of the world. Christians follow him and seek to share his love.” Allow a quiet response or an optional prayer: “Jesus, help us understand your words and choose kindness that points to God. Amen.” Welcome questions without putting anyone on the spot. Thank everyone and give the next activity instructions.

Reflection Sheet

Name: _____

Jesus, the Light of the World

Optional Christian reflection • Ages 9–12 • Five minutes including pauses

0:00–1:00 | Read in context

Invite the group to notice what a light reveals and how it guides. Read John 8:12. Explain that Jesus is speaking about his identity and an invitation to follow him. Christians understand “light of life” as life found in Jesus, not a promise that followers never experience hard times.

1:00–2:00 | Discuss the image

Ask: “What is different between admiring a light and following where it leads?” Allow two or three responses, without asking children to disclose beliefs. Say: “Christians seek to trust Jesus, listen to his teaching and live it out. This party uses light as a reminder, without treating an object as sacred or magical.”

2:00–3:00 | Public good without performance

Read Matthew 5:14 and 5:16. Explain that verse 15 uses the image of a lamp giving light in a house. Ask: “How can a helpful action be visible without becoming a performance?” Suggest including an excluded classmate or helping tidy a shared space. Let the group compare options and notice that the passage directs praise towards God.

3:00–4:00 | Guidance for a real choice

Read Psalm 119:105. Offer a fictional scenario: a group chat mocks someone who is not there. Ask what a thoughtful next step could be: refuse to join, check on the person, and seek a trusted adult if needed. Avoid real names. Explain that Christians connect wise choices with learning from God’s word, prayer and trusted support.

4:00–5:00 | Reflect freely

Invite a quiet moment: “What question do you have about Jesus’ words? What kind action could you practise?” Children may write, think or pass. Finish with an optional prayer thanking Jesus for light and asking for wisdom and compassion. Keep the general activity available. Do not pressure anyone to make a public faith commitment.

Reflection Sheet

Name: _____

Bible readings for the host

World English Bible • Public-domain quotations

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Matthew 5:14

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Name: _____

How to Host a Light Party

A practical guide to a welcoming Halloween alternative

What is a Light Party?

A Light Party is a welcoming celebration built around light, hope and kindness. Many churches host one around Halloween as a Christian alternative, with crafts, games, food and an optional Bible message. Families and schools can also use the general lantern, sunshine and star activities without a religious session. Explain the programme in the invitation so every family can choose comfortably.

Christian organisers often connect the celebration with Jesus describing himself as the light of the world in John 8:12. This hub separates explicitly Christian resources from general activities. A guest does not need to know Bible stories, wear a costume or join a faith discussion to enjoy the welcome.

Scripture Union and the Diocese of Ely share examples of Light Parties and lantern events. There is no single programme every host must follow. Choose a manageable event that fits your children, venue and helpers rather than trying to use every printable.

Choose your guests, venue and date

Decide whether this is a family gathering, an invited classroom group or a registered community event. Confirm the venue booking, accessible entrance, toilets, drinking water and a clearly supervised collection point. Keep exits and mobility routes clear. Check the venue's capacity and safeguarding arrangements before advertising places.

Choose a date and time that work for your community; a Light Party does not have to fall on 31 October. Tell families the start and finish times, whether an adult must stay, what food is provided and how to request access support. Ask about allergies, sensory needs and communication preferences during registration. Only collect information you need, restrict access and follow your organisation's retention policy.

Plan a budget you can change

For a home group of 5–10, begin with one shared craft table, a short game and a familiar snack. For a classroom of 15–30, count complete sets for each table and allow for replacement pencils, paper and glue. For a community group of 50–100, include printing, venue costs, food, cleaning and enough trained helpers for the actual activities and children attending.

Use the editable budget sheet to enter your own quantities, local unit prices, donations and contingency. Multiply quantity by unit cost, subtract confirmed contributions and compare the total with your spending limit. There are no assumed prices in this pack. Borrow washable table covers and decorations, reuse scrap paper and offer fewer well-prepared stations if funds are tight.

Set up a bright, calm room

Use normal comfortable room lighting, paper lanterns, large stars and reusable bunting. Decoration does not need to mean darkness. Choose a calm corner with seating and an activity that can be taken away from the main group. Avoid flashing lights, loud sudden sounds, blindfolds and surprise scares. Make station signs readable from a child's height.

Use battery-powered LED lights only when a responsible adult has checked the product and secured its battery compartment. Keep batteries and spare cells out of children's reach. Paper lanterns, tissue crafts and paper candles are decorations: never put a flame, hot bulb or exposed battery inside them. Do not hang strings across walkways or around children's necks.

Offer affordable, comfortable costumes

Invite bright colours, stars, a favourite book character or ordinary comfortable clothes. Say clearly that costumes are optional and no purchase is expected. Paper crowns and handheld star decorations can be made on arrival. Avoid trailing fabric, sharp props, restrictive masks and anything that blocks a child's sight or movement.

Food, allergies and breaks

Keep snacks simple and familiar, with drinking water available. Ask families about allergies before the event and agree what the venue can safely provide. Keep ingredient packaging and label each serving; do not claim a homemade item is allergen-free without a reliable basis. Prevent shared utensils from moving between dishes and follow the venue's food-handling policy.

Offer a non-food option for treats and prizes. Choose foods and serving sizes appropriate to the children present, with seated supervision where needed. Use snack time as a real break rather than asking children to eat while moving between stations. Plan a nearby quiet place for anyone who needs more time.

Run stations that children can actually finish

Choose two or three crafts and a small selection of games. Print one test sheet at actual size before preparing the group copies. Put the finished assembly sketch beside each craft, separate cutting from gluing and have an adult manage tools or small components. Younger children can colour prepared shapes while older children build the template themselves.

Give each station a named helper, a clearly marked boundary and a simple instruction card. Demonstrate one task at a time. Let children watch, use larger pieces, work seated or choose a quieter alternative. Plan transitions with a spoken and visual cue. Avoid competitive elimination: children can join again whenever they are ready.

Make the welcome inclusive

Explain which activities include Christian teaching before families attend. Offer a general colouring or lantern station during an optional reflection. Nobody should have to speak, pray, perform or explain their beliefs. Invite children to share something kind they noticed, but let them pass. Celebrate helping and participation rather than perfect crafts.

Agree who checks children in and out, who holds emergency information and how helpers raise a concern. Follow your organisation's safeguarding and supervision policies; the printables do not replace them. Ask guardians about the support their child needs rather than assuming the same approach works for everyone.

Close well and review

Allow time for names on work, a calm final activity and collection by the agreed adult. Count children out according to your venue's procedure. Keep exits staffed while helpers tidy the activity areas. Collect small pieces, check the floor, switch off LED decorations and return borrowed equipment.

Afterwards, ask helpers what children enjoyed, where queues formed and which supplies ran out. Record actual spending and useful changes for next time. A short, safe event with friendly adults is more valuable than an overfilled timetable.

Recruit and brief your helpers

Begin with your organisation’s safeguarding policy and the needs of the actual children, rather than a universal adult-to-child ratio. Name an event lead, a first-aid contact and a backup for each station. Check required recruitment, training and venue procedures before volunteers work with children. Give helpers the running sheet, emergency procedure, accessible routes and an agreed way to ask for support.

For 5–10 children, keep the craft and food in one supervised area. For 15–30, use small table groups with assigned helpers and staggered transitions. For 50–100, use advance registration, a staffed entrance and exit, separate food and craft teams, and capacity-limited stations. If you cannot staff the programme safely, reduce places or activities.

Practical food ideas and alternatives

Offer colourful fruit portions appropriate to the children’s ages, vegetable sticks prepared safely for the group, sandwiches with clearly identified fillings, or simple crackers. A rainbow display can use coloured paper labels rather than sweets. Use familiar foods that guardians can check, and avoid hard round foods or other unsuitable choking hazards for younger children.

Ask families before choosing dairy, egg, wheat, soy, sesame or nut ingredients; this is an example list, not a complete allergen assessment. Keep original packaging available, use separate serving utensils and agree safe options with the families concerned. Water and a take-home paper craft can replace sugary drinks and sweet prizes.

Essential spending and optional extras

At home, count one lantern sheet, a handful of colouring sheets and a pencil per child, plus shared glue and adult-managed scissors. A classroom needs enough table sets to avoid queues; divide the printing list by station capacity. A community event needs additional registration materials, accessible signs, cleaning supplies and venue costs. Enter all of these in the budget planner before buying optional decorations.

Costumes, glow accessories, balloons, treat bags and purchased prizes are optional. Paper stars, borrowed table covers and reusable LED products can provide the atmosphere. Budget a contingency you choose; record donations only when confirmed. The editable CSV lets you add formulas in your own spreadsheet, while the fillable PDF supports manual totals.

Optional Bible message: Jesus the Light of the World

Use the separate age-specific five-minute reflection sheets. Read John 8:12 from the World English Bible, then connect the picture of light with following Jesus. Matthew 5:14–16 describes lives that point people towards God; Psalm 119:105 pictures God's word as a lamp for our steps. These are Christian beliefs, not a requirement for joining the party.

The World English Bible is public domain. Exact verse quotations are attributed in the reflection pack; craft headings such as "Let your light shine" are short activity titles. Never use a flame, darken the room or ask children to share personal fears. Offer a general quiet activity at the same time.

Ten Light Party themes

Let Your Light Shine

Colours: Yellow and blue. Decoration: Paper stars and clear station signs. Activities: Kindness cards and a star hunt. Optional Matthew 5:16 reflection.

Jesus Is the Light of the World

Colours: Gold and white. Decoration: Lanterns and a simple globe display. Activities: Bible light trail and Bible colouring. Explicitly Christian; John 8:12.

Shine Bright

Colours: Bright pink, yellow and teal. Decoration: Large stars and Shine bunting. Activities: Colourable lettering and star wand craft. General activities available.

A Celebration of Light

Colours: Warm yellow and cream. Decoration: Paper lanterns and LED table lights. Activities: Lantern craft and picture bingo. General activities available.

Stars and Sparkles

Colours: Blue, purple and yellow. Decoration: Paper stars; avoid loose glitter. Activities: Star garland and missing-star memory. General activities available.

Rainbow of Hope

Colours: Rainbow colours. Decoration: Broad paper rainbow flags. Activities: Rainbow mobile and treasure hunt. General activities available.

Be a Light

Colours: Yellow and green. Decoration: Kindness-message cards. Activities: Helping challenges and kindness lantern. Optional Christian discussion.

Glow and Grow

Colours: Teal and yellow. Decoration: Paper light bulbs and hopeful words. Activities: Bright-idea colouring and cooperative games. Use steady room lighting.

Light Up the World

Colours: Blue and gold. Decoration: Globe display and paper city windows. Activities: City lantern craft and lighthouse colouring. Optional Christian connection.

Lanterns of Hope

Colours: Orange, gold and white. Decoration: Hanging paper lanterns above adult reach. Activities: Lantern templates and a supervised lantern trail. No flames or dark-room walking.

60-minute programme

30 minutes before: check room, prepare stations, brief helpers and check registration materials.

0–8 minutes: Welcome and easy colouring.

8–10 minutes: Move to craft table and demonstrate.

10–28 minutes: One main craft.

28–30 minutes: Tidy tools and transition.

30–40 minutes: Cooperative game.

40–50 minutes: Seated snack and water break.

50–55 minutes: Optional reflection or quiet lantern colouring.

55–60 minutes: Thank you and supervised collection.

Allow 20 minutes after collection for equipment checks and cleanup.

90-minute programme

45 minutes before: set up two stations, check access routes, food labels and helper roles.

0–10 minutes: Welcome and arrival activity.

10–30 minutes: First craft station.

30–35 minutes: Calm transition.

35–55 minutes: Second craft or puzzle station.

55–65 minutes: Seated snack and water break.

65–80 minutes: Small-group game.

80–85 minutes: Optional reflection or general quiet activity.

85–90 minutes: Thanks and supervised collection.

Allow 25 minutes after collection for cleanup and a short helper review.

120-minute programme

60 minutes before: set up three stations, check supplies and rehearse transitions with helpers.

0–15 minutes: Welcome and arrival colouring.

15–35 minutes: First station.

35–40 minutes: Transition and water.

40–60 minutes: Second station.

60–75 minutes: Seated snack and quiet break.

75–95 minutes: Third station.

95–100 minutes: Transition.

100–110 minutes: Cooperative group game.

110–115 minutes: Optional reflection or quiet activity.

115–120 minutes: Thanks and supervised collection.

Allow 30 minutes after collection for cleanup, equipment counts and helper feedback.

Frequently asked questions

What if it rains?

Choose an indoor fallback before advertising an outdoor trail. Move station cards indoors, shorten walking routes and keep entrances dry and clear. Cancel an outdoor element if the venue cannot run it safely.

What if attendance is lower than expected?

Use one shared table, shorten rotations and let children choose a second activity. Keep the welcome relaxed; you do not need to fill the room with extra stations.

What if more people arrive?

Stay within the booked capacity and agreed supervision arrangements. Use registration limits and a waiting list. Do not add unsupervised stations or accept children you cannot safely accommodate.

Can non-Christian families attend?

Yes, if the invitation clearly explains the programme. Label Christian sessions and offer a general activity at the same time. Make participation optional and welcome guests without testing their beliefs.

How can we reduce sugar and spending?

Offer water, simple familiar snacks and non-food take-home crafts. Borrow supplies and choose two good activities instead of buying treats or decorations for every station.

What about additional needs?

Ask families what helps. Offer seated access, larger templates, a quiet space, clear picture instructions and flexible participation. Discuss any individual support with the family and venue before the event.

How many supplies should I print?

Count registered children and the number who can use each station at once. Print a small contingency within your budget, plus one demonstration copy and the separate answer sheets for helpers.

Can I use these in a classroom?

Use the clearly marked general activities and classroom pack. Christian activities are supplied separately so you can follow your school's policies and the needs of your group.

Sources and original resources

Background reading: Scripture Union Halloween and Light Party resources; Diocese of Ely Halloween and Light Party resources; NurtureStore light craft ideas. The text, illustrations and templates in this Help My Kids Are Bored pack are original. Bible quotations, where included, use the public-domain World English Bible and are labelled separately from paraphrased activity headings.

Find individual activities, Christian and general options, and planning downloads in the Light Party hub at helpmykidsarebored.com. Pick only the activities that fit your group and follow your venue policies.