



K - 2ND



CONNECT TIME

Greet kids by name and play table games as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families. Ask kids: **What do you like to do to celebrate your birthday when it comes? What are some ways that we can celebrate Jesus' birthday when Christmas comes?**



SNOWMAN SAYS

Start by 9:20/10:45

Enjoy playing Simon says (substituting "Snowman" for Simon) for just a few minutes before large group.

START BY
9:30/10:55

REVIEW **3** BE, LISTEN, FOLLOW



LARGE GROUP

SMALL GROUP



ORNAMENT DECORATING

Pass out ornaments, stickers, and pipe cleaners. Allow kids to decorate the ornament with stick on gems and jewels. Assist with creating a hanging loop with the pipe cleaner as needed.

Leaders discuss these questions (and any others you have about the Bible story) as they decorate:

- **How did the shepherds feel when the angels showed up?** (Scared, afraid, amazed)
- **What did they do after the angels left?** (they obeyed and went to see Jesus) **And after they saw Jesus what did they do?** (told everyone about Jesus)
- **What did the wise men follow in order to find Jesus?** (A big, bright star!) **And when they found him, what did they do?** (worshiped Jesus, gave him gifts, treated him like a king)



CHRISTMAS COOKIE BINGO

- Distribute Bingo cards to kids with a supply of Bingo chips near by. Have kids count out 15 Bingo chips and place one chip over the “Free Space” in the center of their cards.
- Have an assistant or Team Lead pull a card from the stocking and show the cookie shape to the kids. If kids have the image on their Bingo Card, allow kids to place a Bingo chip on the corresponding square.
- Repeat the process until a kid gets Bingo and shouts “Bingo!” Hand the winning kid a cupcake. Continue playing as time allows.

I can (point to self)

celebrate (fist pump, both hands)

Jesus (point up)



PRAYER

What are some ways we can celebrate Jesus everyday? (talk to him, thank him for what he’s given us that day, love others to show him we love him, praise him by remembering how good he is, etc)

Leaders, invite kids to pray and thank God, commenting on celebrating the birth of Jesus today and every day.



CUPCAKES & COLORING

Pass out cupcakes to kids. Sing “Happy Birthday” Jesus. Let kids eat and color the coloring page as time allows.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.

Greet parents and encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.