

KIDS' CORNER

Throw a Party Fit for the KING!





Christmas time is a great time to share the saving news of Jesus' life, love, and salvation with families in your community—those who already have a church home and those who do not. One fun and spiritually meaningful idea is a Happy Birthday Jesus party. There are lots of great resources available to make your party a special one—for kids, parents, and volunteers.

Promote Your Happy Birthday Jesus party


Since December is an extremely busy time of year and you'll want to reach many families in your community, you will need to get the word out early and in many formats. Consider using postcards, door hangers, media ads, and perhaps even homemade posters displayed in local businesses. Church members can deliver flyers to their neighbors and also to local preschools, Christian day schools, and day-care centers. You might even mail invitations to neighborhood children and their parents.

All should note the ages of the children invited to participate, as well as the date, place, and time of your event. Include also the names and addresses of all participating churches. In addition, it's a good idea to develop a list of Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services your church plans to offer and distribute the list on the day of the party.

Involve Others

Decorate a Christmas tree with paper ornaments, each listing a party item someone in your congregation can donate. Once a person decides to donate an item, he or she removes the ornament so organizers can plan accordingly. The list can also be publicized in print four to six weeks before the event. Alternatively, cash gifts can be used to purchase items you need.

You can't have too much help! Encourage volunteers of all ages to join the effort. Be sure to arrange for volunteers to help those children not accompanied by an adult.

Ask members of your congregation to pray for this outreach event! 

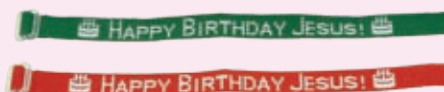
• Excerpted from The Happy Birthday Jesus party manual, included in the Party Pack (see right). © 2006 CTA, Inc. Permission to duplicate for local church use only.



Happy Birthday Jesus Party Pack

Everything you need for throwing a great party for eight kids in one pack! There's a party manual with reproducible activities and ideas for organization and publicity, cakes, games, and activity stations. And don't forget the reusable 3' x 8' banner that's ideal for bulletin boards or above doorways. Full kit contents: party manual, banner (not shown), 12 balloons, 8 tumblers, 8 wristlets, 8 mini treat sacks, 8 party crowns, and 8 magnets.

Pack 38LK0482 \$19.99



Happy Birthday Jesus Cloth Wristlet

What a fun way to witness to kids about the birth of Jesus. With its adjustable band, this cloth wristlet makes a great party favor for kids of all ages! Reads "Happy Birthday Jesus."

Cloth. 6 red and 6 green. 9 x 1/2"

38LK1245 12 for \$7.08



Happy Birthday Jesus Tumblers

Fill 'em with juice, water, crayons, candy ... kids will love being able to take home this plastic tumbler as a reminder that they were at a party for Jesus the King! Features Luke 2:11 (KJV).

Plastic. 8 oz. 38LK0486 39¢



Happy Birthday Jesus Mini Treat Sack

A perfect way for kids to carry home their party favors! Or place an invitation and your church information inside and use as a door hanger for an outreach event.

Plastic. 6 x 8" 38LK0484 12 for \$3.00



Happy Birthday Jesus Party Crown

Make your kids feel like the King's kids they are! This paper crown is adjustable so it fits little and big princes and princesses alike. Features Luke 2:11 (KJV).

Paper. 25 x 3" 38LK0485 49¢



Happy Birthday Jesus Balloons

No birthday party is complete without balloons! Use to decorate your party tables and for energetic balloon-popping games. And remember to send a balloon home with each child as a party favor! Each says "Celebrate Christmas! Happy Birthday Jesus" and quotes Luke 2:11 (KJV). Colors are red, blue, purple, and green.

Latex 38LK0579 12 for \$1.99