

# Ideas for Creating Family Kits

Part of the excitement for families participating in *Connected Christmas* will be receiving their Family Kits. Packed with access to Bible story videos, discussion prompts, and creative family activities, these kits include fun for everyone in the family—together! We've included ideas for creating physical Family Kits (we've already created the digital kits for you!) and delivering either physical or digital kits.

## Physical Family Kits

### SUPPLIES

For each family in your church, plus extras!

- Shirt-size Christmas box with lid (or gift bag)
- Gift tag label
- Bow
- Printed materials for each episode
- Optional: self-adhesive blank label paper (14 labels per sheet), activity supplies you choose to provide for families (see suggestions below)

### Activity Supply Suggestions

Delight families with a few extra treasures in their Family Kits! Shop at dollar stores or online to find and purchase some of these activity supplies.

- Episode 1: Christmas stickers or stamps, gingerbread man cookie cutter, boxed gingerbread cookie mix
- Episode 2: Container of modeling dough or clay, sheet of parchment paper, bag of microwavable popcorn
- Episode 3: Christmas stickers or stamps, watercolor paint set, Christmas potholder
- Episode 4: Cut-out paper star, an ingredient for [Chocolate Crown Pretzels](#) (mini pretzels, chocolate kisses, coated chocolate candies)

### WHAT TO DO

1. Purchase and use shirt-size Christmas boxes with lids (or gift bags) to hold all the materials you will be providing for families.
2. Pack a complete Family Kit for each family in your church, plus extras. Include in each kit 1 copy of these resources for each of the 4 episodes:
  - Parent Note
  - Episode Overview and Activity Ideas

- Printables as needed (Episodes 1 and 4—[Christmas Card Printable](#); Episode 2—[Nativity Scene Printable](#))
- 3. Optional: Purchase and add to each kit a few of the suggested activity supplies that families might need (see list above).
- 4. Top each prepared kit with a bow and a gift tag label. You can purchase blank self-adhesive labels (14 per sheet) and use our modifiable *Connected Christmas* [Gift Tags](#) to print your own labels!
- 5. Deliver a kit to each family in your church.

## Delivery Options

### To deliver physical kits

- Deliver the kits to families (at church or hand delivered at homes) the week before you plan to start *Connected Christmas* (at least 4 weeks before Christmas!).
- Give families digital access to each episode's *Connected Christmas* video by emailing the Parent Note each week. (Or the video can be shown in person during a church service.)

### To deliver digital kits

- Gather email addresses for all the families in your church.
- Email the Parent Note each week—it includes the link to each *Connected Christmas* episode page we've created for you.
- Text or post the episode link each week with a personalized note:
  - [ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode1](https://ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode1)
  - [ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode2](https://ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode2)
  - [ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode3](https://ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode3)
  - [ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode4](https://ConnectedChristmas.com/Episode4)