

December 6, 2020

"God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."  
John 4:24

# FBCG Kids



## Hands on Faith—Family Devotionals

### Strong on the Inside

**Scripture:** *Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.* ([Isaiah 41:31](#))

**Play:** Look for things that are strong, like buildings, bridges or bulldozers. Don't forget people! Take turns flexing your muscles.

**Talk:** When we trust God, He makes us strong, kind of like a tall skyscraper or a big truck. He doesn't always make us physically strong, but He does give us strong minds and strong hearts. When something bad or scary happens, we have the strength to face it because we trust God to be there with us ([Isaiah 40:31](#)). When have you felt God's presence and strength in a difficult situation?

**Pray:** Ask God to help you remember that He gives us strong bodies, minds and hearts. —*Amy Cobb*

### God Gives Me Strength

**Scripture:** *I can do everything through Him who gives me*

*strength.* ([Philippians 4:13](#))

**Play:** Start a rhyming game of true statements beginning with I can . . . "I can tie my shoe." The next person might say, "I can sing louder than you." Have each person offer a statement using a new rhyming word.

**Talk:** [Philippians 4:13](#) says, "I can do everything through him who gives me strength." God gives us the ability to tie our shoes, sing and ride bikes. He even helps us do harder things, such as forgiving someone who's hurt us or admitting when we're wrong. God gives us a helper who strengthens us to do these things — the [Holy Spirit](#). What are some things you need help with now?

**Pray:** Pray [Philippians 4:13](#), substituting each family member's name in place of the I. "Carol can do everything through Him who gives her strength..." —*Carol Hatcher*

### God Gives Us Grace

**Scripture:** *Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with*

*an undying love.* ([Ephesians 6:24](#))

**Play:** Play a few rounds of Simon Says. After a couple of rounds, allow one of the eliminated players to remain in the game. Say, "Though you deserve to be out because you didn't follow Simon's commands, I'm going to pretend it never happened." Play again, allowing that person to continue in the game.

**Talk:** Each time we sin against God, we are not deserving of His forgiveness, yet He freely gives it to us. That's called grace. [Ephesians 6:24](#) tells us that God's grace is available to all who love Him. Because of God's grace, we receive forgiveness and many other blessings. What are some ways that God has shown His grace to you?

**Pray:** Thank God that He freely gives grace to you. Pray that you would be able to share His grace with others. —*Jill Waltz*

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### Calendar Events:

The December Worship services are Christmas themed.

## Announcements and Resources

CHECK OUT THIS RESOURCE FROM KID'S BEACH CLUB:

<https://www.kidsbeachclub.org/students>  
Parents/ Grandparents,

Register your children for the AT KIDS BEACH CLUB HOME and watch the videos online. It will be important to log-in to watch the videos BECAUSE I'm told as you do, there will be a treat that

comes via snail mail after watching a certain amount of videos. Check this out!!!





There is a **Prayer Wall** on the church website. The Prayer Wall is a place to post a prayer need or to pray for the needs that were posted.

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## Advent—Week 2

The second candle represents faith and is called “Bethlehem’s Candle”. Micah had foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, which is also the birthplace of King David.

Scriptures to Read:  
Isaiah 9:6, Luke 2:14,  
Matthew 1:23, John 14:27,  
Philippines 2:8-10,  
1 Timothy 1:15-17, John 3:16,  
1 John 5:11, Jeremiah 29:11,  
Romans 8:34-35.

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“May it be done to me according to your word.”  
Luke 1:38

### Worth the Wait

Especially for the kids, it’s hard to wait for Christmas Day to get here! How often do we hear our children ask, “How many more days until Christmas?” The anticipation of ripping open big, shiny, bow-wrapped gifts is almost more than kids can stand! They ask the question each time—even though really don’t want to wait until Christmas!

As parents, we also get in a hurry for what, how, and when we want things.

Waiting often feels unbearable! How can we model to our children the ability to be satisfied with answers given from God, accepting His plans over what we may be wishing for or wanting to hear?

In this week’s Advent verse, Mary’s summation was right on point in her attitude and timing when she told the angel Gabriel, “May it be to me as you have said.”

### FAMILY ADVENTure:

Use the acronym W-A-I-T for ideas to use with your family as you count down the days leading to Christmas.

W: “Welcome Christmas-time Idea Jar”. Place a festively decorated jar in a common area of your house, along with small pieces of paper and a pencil. As ideas come for things to do over Christmas break, write them down and toss

them in a jar. Then have fun engaging in those activities!

- A: Assemble a Christmas tree for an elderly person in your neighborhood or church or help another family who might need assistance with her décor.
- I: Invite families of your children’s friends to a Christmas program at your church. (We will not be having the children’s choir or Adult choir special programs this year, BUT each of our December Sunday morning services will have a Christmas theme to them.)
- T: Text one person each day between now and Christmas with a heartfelt Christmastime greeting. Adding an appropriate seasoning meme would be a fun touch as well! :)

From the LifeWay Kid Ministry 101 Blog

## Mission Moment ...



There are more than 70 million Deaf people around the world. Most of these 70 millions Deaf people have never seek Jesus’ name signed in their language. The Deaf are some of the least evangelized people on earth.

- 189 People Groups
- 1,534 Deaf die every day

without Christ.

- Many Deaf have very limited access to formal education.

There are over 200 sign languages, but they are connected through sign roots—iconic renderings that make communication possible across varied cultures and languages.

- Please pray for those that serve the Deaf people.
- Please pray that the Deaf people will “hear” the name of Jesus and turn to Him.
- Please pray for the training program for Deaf leaders.

