

Free Sample Activities

Mission Friends

Mission Friends is an organization for preschoolers aged birth through kindergarten.

You'll find easy-to-follow instructions like this in **Mission Friends Leader.**

In Mission Friends, preschoolers from birth through kindergarten move from a focus on self to a focus on others. Through engaging mission stories and activities, they begin to learn how they can help others in need and share God's love. This critical foundation in the lives of preschoolers will help them grow spiritually into the next generation of Christ followers who will fulfill His Great Commission.

Mission Friends meetings include activities in music, art, blocks, nature, homeliving and more. Creative games and mission stories are included to help establish missions awareness and involvement. We also have opportunities for parents to continue missions discipleship at home, because a family that serves together changes the lives they touch, as well as their own.

MISSION FRIENDS SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

Preschoolers will learn that missionaries teach people about Jesus by making friends. Focusing on the concept **community**, preschoolers will hear ways a missionary works with others and tells about Jesus.

BABIES, ONES, AND TWOS

God's Love from a Diaper Bag
In advance, print and cut apart the "Diaper Bag Items."

Using the pictures, let preschoolers place the items into a diaper bag or tote bag. Say: God wants us to be kind. A missionary and his friends help mothers have things they need for their babies.

THREES AND FOURS

Jingle Bells

Supplies: jingle bells, empty water bottles, cellophane tape

In advance, place bells inside water bottles and securely tape lids closed.

Preschoolers may shake bottles as they sing "Will You Be a Friend?"

Say: A missionary is a friend who helps others.

Traveling Missionary

Supplies: large cardboard-box car, chairs, toy cell phone, brief case, notepads, Bible
In advance, cut doors in box to make a car. Put in chairs for seats.

Invite preschoolers to travel to communities, help churches, meet new friends, and tell about Jesus. Say: Missionaries travel to help churches collect and give out food and supplies to poor families.

KINDERGARTEN

Friends Mural

Supplies: butcher paper, crayons, markers, index cards

Trace around preschoolers' bodies as they hold hands and lie on butcher paper. Help them print *Jesus!* on speech bubbles cut from index cards and glue them beside their mouths on the paper. Preschoolers may use markers and crayons to color the mural. Say: A missionary teaches others to tell about Jesus.

Making Friends

Sing "Friends Are Knocking." Practice meeting friends, introducing each other, and shaking hands. Say: Missionaries tell friends about Jesus.



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Songs from the *Sing to the Tune* Book

Will You Be a Friend?

(Tune: "Mary Had a Little Lamb")

Will you be a friend of mine?
Friend of mine, friend of mine?
Will you be a friend of mine,
And play this game with me?

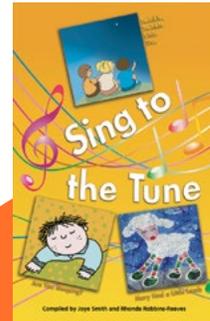


Lead preschoolers
to tell about God's
love through
familiar tunes.

Friends Are Knocking

(Tune: "Are You Sleeping?")

Friends are knocking. Friends are knocking.
On the door. On the door.
How are you today, Sir?
How are you today, M'am?
God loves you! God loves you!



Make any moment missional
(and musical!) as you lead
preschoolers to tell about
God's love through songs.

Available at
wmustore.com

God's Love from a Diaper Bag Activity

Print this page and the next two pages on card stock or heavy paper, then cut out each item.

Diaper Bag Items



This activity is for Babies, Ones and Twos. Items like this and missionary pictures are included in the **Mission Friends Resource Kit and Pictures.**



