# **January Extra Activities**

# For Threes and Fours

## **Snow Cones**

Supplies: <u>Allergy Alert Chart</u>; home snow cone machine; snow cone syrups; ice; cups; spoons

Post the allergy alert chart. Follow machine instructions to help preschoolers make their own snow cones. Encourage them to lightly pour syrup over their cones. Say: Utah is very snowy and icy in winter. David Gaskins is a missionary in Provo, Utah.

Caution: Supervise carefully.

#### **Snowball Toss**

Supplies: two pairs of oversized gloves, men's tall white athletic socks

**In advance,** roll a pair of socks into themselves to make white "snowballs."

Help two preschoolers at a time to wear the gloves and toss the snowball back and forth. Say: The Gaskins family live in snowy Provo, Utah. Mr. Gaskins helped start Mosaic Church in Provo so families can go to church and learn about Jesus.

# Seagull Fun

Supplies: electronic tablet, white copy paper, tape
In advance, search online for pictures of seagulls.
Look at the pictures. Help preschoolers fan fold two
individual pieces of copy paper. Seal one end of each
fan with tape. Show how to hold fans in their hands
and pretend they are wings to help seagulls fly. Invite
preschoolers to "fly" around the room. Say: Seagulls nest
near the Great Salt Lake and Utah Lake! People who live in
Provo can see the seagulls flying around!

# **Build a Church**

Supplies: Pictures 5-8\*; cardboard bricks

Show the pictures, pointing out the missionaries and the buildings. Invite preschoolers to use cardboard bricks to build a church. Say: David Gaskins and his wife Sara moved to Provo, Utah, for David to help start Mosaic Church.

# For Kindergarten

# **Birthday Greeting**

Supplies: electronic tablet, party blowers, birthday hats Say: David and Sara Gaskins' middle child Theo will be having his fourth birthday in February. Let's make a birthday video for him!

Record preschoolers singing "Happy Birthday" while wearing birthday hats and blowing party blowers. Pray for Theo and his siblings, Peter and Penny. Email the video to Mosaic Church at: mosaicprovo@gmail.com. **Caution:** Follow your church's guidelines for sharing videos of preschoolers.

### **Winter in Provo**

Supplies: electronic tablet, construction paper, markers, glitter pens, Bible

**In advance,** search online to find winter pictures of Provo.

Show the pictures. Invite preschoolers to draw winter pictures of Provo with markers and glitter pens. Print the Bible thought on their drawings. Say: Winter in Provo is often cold, icy, and snowy!

**Open the Bible and read:** God made the winter (see Psalm 74:17).

### **Ice Cube Relay Race**

Supplies: two safety cones, ice cubes, four plastic tablespoons

Place safety cones on one side of the room. Form two teams. Encourage the first child on each team to place an ice cube on their spoon, walk down to the cones, walk around the cones, return, and transfer the ice cube to the next child's spoon. Continue so all preschoolers have as many turns as they want. Say: The ice reminds me of snowy, icy Provo where David Gaskins tells the people about Jesus.

## **Bible Story Puzzles**

Supplies: Bible story teaching pictures, scissors, mailing envelopes, Bible

**In advance,** cut Bible story teaching pictures into six-to-eight-piece puzzles. Place each in a separate envelope.

Invite preschoolers to choose and assemble a puzzle. Open the Bible to each story reference as you help them retell the stories. Say: David Gaskins enjoys teaching the true Bible to people who go to Mosaic Church.