

# MARY AND ELIZABETH



## BIBLE STORY

### SNACK

Place snack on the tables.

Pray before eating.

Talk about the Bible story as the children snack.

Lead the children to clean their places and throw away the trash.

### TALK ABOUT THE STORY

—Based on Luke 1:39-56

#### BIBLE STORY FOR 1s

- » Mary went to visit Elizabeth, her cousin.
- » Elizabeth was also having a baby.
- » Elizabeth was happy to see Mary. She knew Mary's baby was special. Mary was happy and praised God (said happy words to God).

#### BIBLE STORY FOR 2s

- » After Mary learned about her baby, she went to visit her cousin Elizabeth. Elizabeth was also going to have a baby.
- » When Elizabeth saw Mary, she knew Mary's baby was special. Elizabeth knew that God had chosen Mary to be Jesus' mother.
- » Mary was happy to see Elizabeth. Mary was happy about her baby.
- » Mary thanked God for His love and for what He had done for her.

### ROOM

### YOUR TEACHING PARTNER(S)

### DATE OF USE

### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus was born.

### LIFE POINT

People were happy that  
Jesus would be born.

### UNIT VERSE

God will send a child to be  
born. *Isaiah 7:14*

### WEEKLY VERSE

Mary praised and thanked  
God. *Luke 1:46*



## BIBLE-LEARNING ACTIVITIES

### SONG

Sing to the tune of "Are You Sleeping?":

*Are you happy? I am happy!*

*Tell me why. This is why.*

*God gave us such good things.*

*God gave us such good things.*

*Jesus was born. Jesus was born.*

### FILL CUPCAKE LINERS

**Gather:** Cupcake liners, pom-poms, marker

**Do:** Draw a happy face on the inside bottoms of several cupcake liners.

- » Spread the liners on the floor in front of you.
- » Lead a toddler to notice the happy faces in the bottoms of the liners.
- » Comment that Mary was happy, so she praised and thanked God.
- » Challenge the child to drop the pom-poms in each cupcake liner.

### WALK A DOLL DOWN A PATH

**Gather:** People figures, dollhouse, painter's tape

**Do:** Make a path on the floor with painter's tape.

- » Choose people figures to be Mary and Elizabeth.
- » Place Mary at one end of the path and Elizabeth and the dollhouse at the other end.
- » Offer Mary to a toddler.
- » Suggest the toddler make Mary walk to Elizabeth's house.
- » Talk about the Bible story as the child plays.

### PUT SOCKS ON DOLLS

**Gather:** Baby dolls, baby socks

- » Place the dolls and socks on the floor.
- » Invite a child to help you put socks on the dolls.
- » Talk about the Bible story.
- » Comment that God sent a special baby to be born. People were happy Jesus would be born.

### READ BOOKS ABOUT JESUS

**Gather:** Books about Jesus, paper, scissors

**Do:** Cut hearts from paper. Place the hearts inside the books about Jesus.

- » Offer to read the books to interested children.
- » Ask a child to point to Jesus on each page.
- » Comment each time the child finds a heart that Mary thanked God for His love.

### THANK GOD

**Gather:** Pack Item 36: "Jesus Pictures" (baby Jesus); scissors, gift bag, toy food, toy animals, people figures

**Do:** Cut apart a Jesus picture. Place all items in the bag.

- » Invite a child to remove something from the bag.
- » Comment that Mary praised and thanked God.
- » Lead the child to thank God for food, animals, people, family, and Jesus as he pulls the items from the bag.
- » Lead the child to say a simple prayer of thanksgiving.

### CLEAN UP

Lead the children to put the toys and books in the correct places.

### DISMISS

Place each child's personal items inside his diaper bag. Remind parents to do the activities and review the Bible story this week on the Kids Activity Page.

