



**MONTHLY  
BIBLE STORY**

Happy Birthday, Jesus!

**LUKE 1:26-33, 38; 2:1-20**

**BIBLE WORDS**

"God has given a son to us."

**ISAIAH 9:6, NCV**

**BOTTOM LINE**

Jesus is God's Son.

**BASIC TRUTH**

God loves me.

**CRAFT TIME**

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Birthday Cake" Activity Page, cardstock, dot markers, heart and smiley face stamps, washable ink pads, baby wipes, and a permanent marker

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Birthday Cake" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Encourage children to decorate the birthday cake. Clean hands as needed. Sing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Let's decorate a birthday cake for Jesus with these markers and stamps. (Pause.) These look great! Let's sing 'Happy Birthday' to Jesus together. (Sing with children.) I'm so glad we get to celebrate Jesus' birthday together. We celebrate Christmas to show everyone that Jesus is special because **Jesus is God's Son!** Happy Birthday, Jesus!"