



# Support material for Get Messy! May-Aug 2019

### May: Pray, pray, pray!

#### **Mealtime card**

- When was the last time you said, 'It's not fair'?
- What's been the best way of sorting out unfairness in your family?
- · What makes it hard for you to remember to pray?
- When is your best time to pray?

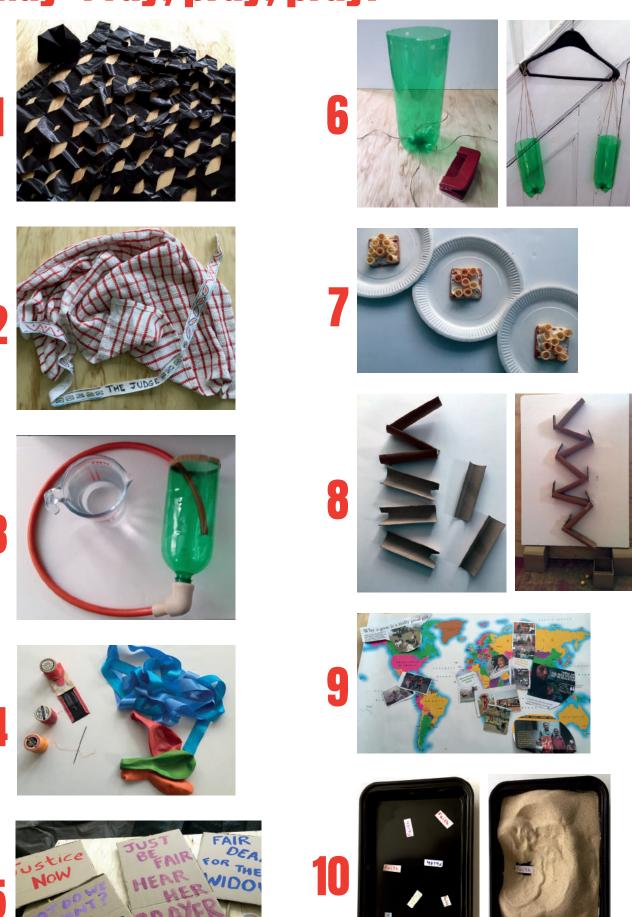
#### Take-home idea

Challenge yourselves to add a routine to your day, namely the habit of prayer. Talk together as a family about when the best time would be to do this together or on your own. Turn a paper plate into a clock face and decide on your special prayer moment in the day, filling in the hands of the clock to say when that will be. Make one clock face for yourself to keep in your room and one for the family which you stick up prominently somewhere.

#### Question to start and end the session

So... if I dared to pray more, what difference would it make?

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## **June: Dazzling disciples**

#### **Mealtime card**

- Could you be a dazzling disciple?
- What do you think a dazzling disciple looks like?
- Who do you know who would really like to be dazzled by the good news of Jesus?

#### Take-home idea

Let the stars remind you about being a dazzling disciple. At home, make stars to attach to your bedroom ceiling or make a star mobile. Write messages on them to remind you of what a dazzling disciple might do and look like. How can you be a dazzling disciple for God? Think about others who would like to be dazzled by God's love. Maybe add their names to your stars and pray for them at night. Perhaps you could think about inviting them to the next Messy Church.

#### Question to start and end the session

So... can I be a dazzling disciple for Christ?

## **June: Dazzling disciples**



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#### Stargazing with Abram/Abraham

#### **Scriptures to use:**

- 1. The Lord sees the good people. He listens to their prayers. (Psalm 34:15)
- 2. God has decided the number of the stars and calls each one by name. (Psalm 147:4)
- 3. Look up to the skies. Who created all these stars? (Isaiah 40:26–29)
- 4. God made two great lights the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. (Genesis 1:16)
- 5. Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may be innocent and pure as God's perfect children, who live in a world of corrupt and sinful people. You must shine among them like stars lighting up the sky. (Philippians 2:14-15)
- 6. I am the Light of the world. So if you follow me, you won't be stumbling through the darkness, for living light will flood your path. (John 8:12)
- 7. Friends, we know that God loves you and has chosen you to be his own. (1 Thessalonians 1:4)

#### **Quiz sheet questions:**

- 1. What does the Lord see? What does God listen to?
- 2. Fill in the gaps: G\_\_\_ has decided the number of \_\_\_\_ and calls them each by \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Who do you think created all the stars?
- 4. As well as the stars, what were the two great lights God made?
- 5. What do we need to do so that we may become like children of God and shine like the stars?
- 6. What did Jesus say he was? Why should we follow Jesus?
- 7. Who does God love?

## **July: Everything worships God**

#### **Mealtime card**

- How do you like to worship God?
- · What is your favourite song to praise God?
- Where is the most unusual place you have worshipped?
- What do you do to show people you think they are fab?

#### Take-home idea

When it gets dark, look up and see if you can see the stars. Find out about the different stars and see if you can identify any. Have a quiet moment and think about God making the stars in the sky and then remember that God made you and all of your family. Think of a good praise sentence to say to God.

#### Question to start and end the session

So... how does creation worship God?

## **July: Everything worships God**



## **August: Created for community**

#### **Mealtime card**

- When God created the world, he expected fellowship from his people. What do you think life would have been like for us if Adam and Eve had not given in to the temptation of the serpent?
- What is your favourite part of the fellowship you've found at Messy Church?
- How do you think praying for each other can strengthen fellowship in a church?

#### Take-home idea

Choose one verse a week to study with your family at home. Each day, set aside 10–15 minutes to discuss individual thoughts on the verse. One of the most beautiful things about studying the Bible is that you get different perspectives from your brothers and sisters in Christ. Work as hard to build fellowship in the home as you do at your church.

Dear heavenly Father, we ask that you continue to show us love and grace through our imperfections. We ask that you help us to find the good in each other so we can live in this world you so lovingly created for us with a feeling of encouragement from those around us. Help us to continue to build our love for you through a Christ-centred community and give us the words to inspire those who have not yet found you to start looking. Amen

#### Question to start and end the session

So... what does fellowship mean to you?

## **August: Created for community**















