

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

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EASTER EDITION

Welcome to our MBI Children and Family Ministry Quarantine Newsletter!

We seek to support Children and Family Ministry by providing free or inexpensive resources that inspire and educate faith in Jesus.

"Do you hear what these children are saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read," 'From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise'?" Matthew 21:16

BOOKS, CURRICULUM, ETC.

[Holy Week Video Devotional.](#)

Moody Bible Institute Adjunct Professor and Senior Pastor Brian Smith has created an excellent Holy Week devotional series on YouTube. Each video covers the individual days of Jesus Christ's journey leading up and including his crucifixion and resurrection. From Jesus walking through Jerusalem to Peter's denial, this devotional can be watched by the whole family in preparation for Easter. You can find this resource [here](#).

[7 Quarantine-Friendly Easter Activities.](#)

This resource offers seven Easter activities that use fun, hands-on games to share the Gospel with children. Every Scripture-based activity comes with ideas for family discussion. These crafty activities can be created as Easter Basket fillers as well as a way to reach out to family and friends. Your family or church can create extras to drop off for your neighbors as a tool to share the good news of Easter all while practicing healthy social distancing. Find out more [here](#).

TECHNOLOGY

[Mentimeter](#)

This resource offers a creative way for you to interact with children and families through polls, quizzes, questions, images, and more! Every family can simply sign-in on their smartphones to participate in this fun, easy-to-use program. Participants can answer questions and polls in real-time while the presenter shares the results. Mentimeter can be used as a fun ice-breaker or an engaging tool during an Easter Lesson. You can find this resource [here](#).

[Easter Story Video](#)

This helpful video presents the Easter Story to children by telling the story of Jesus Christ's death and resurrection. This 4-minute video explains the Good News to children by using eye-catching visuals and language kids can understand. The download is free on Vimeo when you sign up for a free account. You can find the link for further instructions [here](#).

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EARLY CHILDHOOD

[Finding Easter in Bunny and Baskets](#)

This Focus on the Family article enables parents to use common Easter symbols to help children understand the Easter story. From baskets and eggs to an easter bunny that brings candy, help children understand the true meaning of Easter. Find out more [here](#).

[Teaching Preschoolers About Easter](#)

Help preschoolers focus on the biblical truths of Easter in an age appropriate manner. This article will tell the Easter story to help lay a spiritual foundation in understanding the gospel. Find more information on this resource [here](#).



MISSIONS

[Easter Traditions and Customs Around the World](#)

The gift of salvation through the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ never changes but how we remember and celebrate the good news of Jesus does. Learn about many different Easter Customs and how Easter Traditions came into being. Find out more [here](#).

[Easter Around the World](#)

This two page article will help your children get a glimpse at how Christians around the world celebrate Christ's death and resurrection. Raising mission minded children starts with an understanding that there are believers in every country as well as people who need the Good News of the gospel. Find out more [here](#).



ARTS & CRAFTS

[Resurrection Egg Craft](#)

Make your own resurrection eggs to tell the story of Jesus' journey to the cross and his resurrection. With simple instructions and common items, this do-it-yourself craft will allow children of all ages to engage with the Easter story. Find more information about this resource [here](#).

[Beautiful and creative Cross crafts and Easter Bible printables](#)

These beautiful projects can be done with watercolors or bright-colored markers and are fun for all ages. You can find the stained glass craft site [here](#) or the PDF download version [here](#). And if you want to be really creative and freehand your own, you can find this version [here](#).

**"WE CAN STAND AFFLICTION BETTER THAN WE CAN PROSPERITY,
FOR IN PROSPERITY WE FORGET GOD."**

— DWIGHT L. MOODY