

Holiday Helps

Ideas for Elementary Classrooms

Keep track of favorite Scriptures, Bible stories, and prayers in personalized notepads!

Bible Memory Notepads

What You'll Need

- colored card stock (8½" x 11")
- printer paper or newsprint (8½" x 11")
- 1 small twig per child (about 4")
- rubber bands
- scissors
- hole punch
- tape or glue

What to Do

1. Each child will need 1 piece of card stock. Fold the piece of card stock in half (each half should be 8½" x 5½"). Cut down the fold to create a front and back cover. Provide sheets of printer paper or newsprint the same size (8½" x 5½" inches) to make up the body of the notepad.
2. Have children decorate the covers. Glue a small square of paper on the front to create a pocket for verses, notes, and crayons. Make sure to glue (or tape) only the left, bottom, and right sides of the pocket, keeping the top edge unglued and open.
3. Put the interior paper between the two covers and punch two sets of holes (one near top and one near bottom) in the left side of the pad. Slip a rubber band over the top of the twig and feed the rest of the band down through one set of holes in the front cover.

Extend the rubber band along the back cover and feed it up through the second set of holes. Wrap the remaining loop of the rubber band around the other end of the twig. This will create a binding for the notepad.

Encourage children to fill their notepads with prayers, Scriptures, or drawings of Bible stories as reminders of what they are learning in class!

Another Idea!

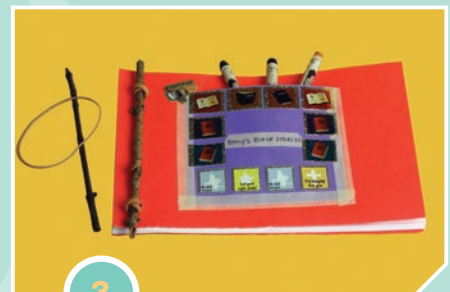
Turn the notepad into a card or book to celebrate someone who is special to the children. Encourage the children to make and give these fun books as gifts!



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