



tips for youth workers

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Christmas Outreach

We all know that a great way to make connections with our communities is through Christmas outreach. This year why not consider doing a Christmas musical? How about one that includes the whole family? How about one that has no lines that need to be memorized? Here are a couple of simple products and ideas that you could use this year:

Twas the Light Before Christmas (The Instant Christmas Play)

- An easy three step production
- Involves families working together
- Presents the true meaning of Christmas
- Families are divided up into one of the four scenes
- Together they rehearse their scene, learn their song, make their props and a devotional keepsake
- This kit is from Group Publishing and can be ordered from orderdesk@can.salvationarmy.org (cost \$59.99 US dollars)

The Not So Silent Night

- The story is about three shepherd boys who shout God's praises after visiting baby Jesus
- Packet includes script with CD
- CD has all the voices, music, sound effects and promotional materials on it
- Kids pantomime the story
- Can be used with any size number of kids
- Totally flexible
- This kit is from Group Publishing and can be ordered from orderdesk@can.salvationarmy.org (cost \$19.99 US dollars)

Christmas Musical Outreach

- An opportunity to invite kids who have attended your March Break VBS, your summer day camps, or any of your ministries to get involved
- A great way to build community by sharing an evening meal together and then rehearsing your musical
- Provides opportunity to make Christmas crafts together, and memorize related Bible verses
- Download the idea from Major Karen Puddicombe from www.ministryhelps.ca – just search for Karen's name
- Kids Christmas musical can be purchased from www.wordmusic.com

While visiting www.MinsitryHelps.ca be sure to check out two other great ideas for outreach:

Breakfast with Santa

Drop and Shop