Christmas Glitter

Set-up/ Decorations: Decorate using plenty of glitter and white mini lights to inspire wonder about the beautiful Christmas story. Use silver napkins on tables with white tablecloths and center pieces could be candles sitting on top of mirrors. Sprinkle silver glitter on mirror or tables for extra sparkle. Decorate one or several trees with white lights and simple decorations that really shine and glitter.

As ladies arrive serve sparkling flavored water and have several bowls of Hershey kisses wrapped in silver for everyone to enjoy while waiting for the program to begin.

Welcome: Have someone walk in singing the first verse of "Winter Wonderland".

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening, In the lane, snow is glistening, A beautiful sight, We're happy tonight. Walking in a winter wonderland.

Then have the vocalist lead "Star of wonder of, star of night" and "Silver Bells"

Prayer:

Demo: Invite someone to do a demo using Christmas decorations that are shiny with lots of glitter. This could be a centerpiece, tree ornament, etc. or have a simple craft that each lady could make.

Dessert: Serve a fancy dessert using real silverware.

Devotional: As ladies finish dessert share devotions

As I sit at my desk with it feeling near 40 degrees outside my calendar gently reminds me that Christmas is only 6 months away. I love all the glitter and sparkle that are so evident at Christmas time. The glistening snow, twinkling lights, presents wrapped with shiny bows and the sparkle in children's eyes as they wait for Christmas morning. As the sun shines so brightly today and glistens and sparkles you need sunglasses to protect your eyes from its beautiful rays. It reminds me of Christmas and the birth of Jesus our Savior who was born as the light of the world. He was born as the Son of God and His light never diminishes even when the sun sets and night falls. This I am so thankful for. Jesus birth adds a sparkle and glitter to our world and our lives.

There was nothing fancy about the surroundings of His birth but the Christmas story does contain sparkle and glitter all of which create a wonder in our hearts even over 2000 years later. That first Christmas night an angel appeared to shepherds in a nearby field. Can you imagine the beautiful glow? It was a bright shiny star that glittered in the night sky which led the wise men to Jesus. They brought shiny gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh all for their King. When we think of glitter we may often think of fairytales but Jesus' birth was not a fairy tale. He was born to bring salvation to all mankind. He came to bring Light. John 8:12 says, "I am the light of world". And He calls us to be His Light. Matthew 5:14 says, "You are the light of the world". God wants us to shine for him so that the sparkle and wonder of Jesus' miraculous birth is evident all year round.

Song: Have vocalist sing or lead "Majesty".

Closing: Sing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas".