

Welcome

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Jesus, Light of the World,  
**Shine in this place.**

Jesus, Light of the World,  
**Shine in our hearts.**

Jesus, Light of the World,  
**Shine in our lives.**

Jesus, Light of the World,  
**Shine in all the earth. Amen.**

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**First hymn:** Lord the light of your love  
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**B1**

Light advent candles and confession prayer .... First Screen

**Father God, we are sorry for the things we say and do which make you sad, and for not thinking of others before ourselves.  
We are sorry for times when we have seen people in need and ignored them and walked on by.  
Please forgive us and help us to love you and other people, so we may share your light with others and bring hope to the world.  
Amen.**

*May God who loved the world so much  
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour  
forgive you your sins*

*and make you holy to serve him in the world,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Amen.**

Case study

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**B2**

Bible screens

Bible reading (child) Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined. For a child has been born for us,  
a son given to us;  
authority rests upon his shoulders,  
and he is named  
Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Great will be his authority,  
and there shall be endless peace  
for the throne of David and his kingdom.  
He will establish and uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time onward and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Action story from telling tales [see last page] ..... B3 screen

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**Video Song:** In a town called Bethlehem

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**C**

Talk

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**Song:** Sing Christingle (offertory collection)

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**D**

Christingles lit

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**Song:** Away in a Manager

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**E**

Prayers

The Christingle is round like the world we live in.  
So today we pray for the people all around God's world,  
that they would know how much God loves them. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray that we will shine with the light of Christ in the  
world so that everyone  
can see. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray that through sharing the light with others,  
everyone will come to know the light of Christ in their  
lives. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray that all those who lead us and look after us  
will be servants of the light of Christ in this world. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray that all hungry or homeless children  
will find comfort in the light of Christ. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray for all people who are sick or afraid, lonely or sad,  
that they may be cheered by the light of Christ. Amen

All: **Amen.**

We pray for the work of The Children's Society,  
bringing light and hope to children in distress and trouble.  
Amen.

All: **Amen.**

### Lord's prayer

### Final Prayer

Lord Jesus,  
Light and hope of the World,  
as I hold this Christingle  
and think about your great love for me,  
help me to take this light out into the world  
and to share your love and hope with others,  
especially those who need it most.

**Amen.**

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**Song:** Calypso carol (Instruments)  
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**F**

Blessing: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,  
scatter the darkness from before your path,  
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;  
and the blessing ...

## **FINISH SCREEN**

# ACTION STORY

## The Nativity

**Animals** - Animal sounds

**Baby** - Cradle baby in arms

**Angel** - Look amazed

**Star** - Look through telescope

**Bethlehem** - Hand over eyes, look round

These response stories might be useful in a class or workshop as an easy way to get the group into doing some drama. Just teach them the responses and then tell the story. They may like to do it as one large group, or you could divide them into small groups. You might also tell them the key words, but then ask them to think up an appropriate noise and action. You could give each group one word to respond to.

Mary and Joseph had travelled all night. It

was a long journey, and Mary was very uncomfortable because she was about to have a **baby**. When they got to **Bethlehem**, which was the place they were heading for, they tried to find somewhere to stay the night - but everywhere was full. So Mary had her **baby** in a stable, where **animals** lived, and they wrapped the baby in pieces of cloth to keep him warm and then they laid him down in the trough that the **animals** ate from. They called the **baby** Jesus, and he was the Son of God.

That same night, while Mary had her **baby**, there were some shepherds nearby in a field and they were looking after their sheep. An **angel** appeared to them in the sky, looking very bright, and they were all afraid. But the **angel** told them not to be frightened, and told them about Mary's **baby**. Then a huge

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crowd of **angels** appeared in the sky, singing beautiful songs and praising God.

When the **angels** went back to heaven the shepherds decided to go and visit the **baby**, so they went to **Bethlehem**, looked high and low, and found Mary and Joseph.

They knew that this was the **baby** Jesus, because the **angel** had told them that he would be wrapped up in pieces of cloth and lying in an **animal** trough. They told Mary and Joseph about the **angels** and everyone was amazed.

Then the shepherds went back to their field talking, laughing and singing praises to God, just like the **angels** had been doing.

Not long after this some men who studied the **stars** came looking for Jesus from an-

other country, because they had seen a special **star** in the sky which showed them that this **baby** was a king. First they went to King Herod in a place called Jerusalem, but he didn't know anything about it. He hadn't seen the **star** or heard any **angels**. So he asked some of his advisors and they told him to look in **Bethlehem**. So the men set off again and they saw the **star** they had been following, and it made them very happy.

The **star** stopped over a house and when they went in they found Mary and Joseph there with Jesus, so they quickly took out some presents, gave them to him and then worshipped him. Then they got up and left, and didn't go back to King Herod because an **angel** told them not to, instead they went back home to their own country.