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Merry Christmas! We are so thankful for you, <u>and</u> humbled by the hundreds of individuals in our church family who gave generous gifts of time and resources so that another KidsCrossing Christmas Box could be provided for free.

OGETHER, we can help kids learn about Jesus - His role in God's Big Story of Love, why that matters to them, and how He changes everything... including the way we celebrate Christmas.

As always, activities were <u>intentionally designed to be done as a family</u>. We even made videos this year. So, feel free to let the kids lead!

Items missing? Confused? Check out thecrossing.church/familychristmas.

As you dive in, be encouraged:

TIMING: Experience the box in a way that fits your family. Spread out the activities or do them all in one day! The most important thing is spending time together preparing for the celebration of Jesus' birth. MAKE SURE THE WHITE BAG THAT SAYS "WAIT" GETS PLACED UNDER THE TREE: After the kids open all the toys, gizmos, and gadgets, look for a time when there is a natural quiet lull to open the bag – it might take a couple days! The point is to open this gift at a time when it won't be overlooked.

"THE CELEBRATION OF ADVENT IS POSSIBLE ONLY TO THOSE WHO ARE TROUBLED IN SOUL, WHO KNOW THEMSELVES TO BE POOR AND IMPERFECT, AND WHO LOOK FORWARD TO SOMETHING GREATER TO COME." DIETRICH BONHOEFFER

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