

Hello Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Parents!

OUR THEME FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IS:



I'm very excited to focus on thankfulness this month! God is faithful, true and good. I have so much to be grateful for. Your family is one of the many blessings in my life, and I am so thankful for the honor of serving you and your child(ren).

Here is everything you need for your family HCKids at home activities. Just follow the directions on the Parent Guide (next page) for any of the things you and your child(ren) are interested in doing. Also included in this document is the link to the Bible Video. At the end of the document you will find the "God Time" pages for your child(ren) to be able to do a daily devotional throughout the week.

Please be sure to connect with NexGen through our monthly "Spiritual Discipleship Boxes". If you are unable to attend the monthly event, you can pick up your box at church or we can deliver it to your door. Just let me know what you'd like to do!

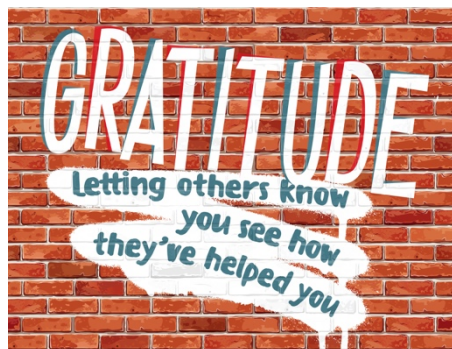
Praying you all are well, safe, growing in faith and thankfulness, and having fun during our time apart! Please reach out if you need anything at all.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

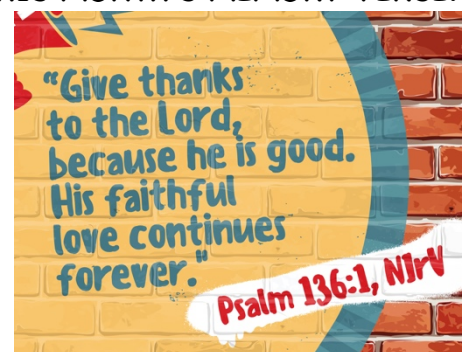
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NOVEMBER'S LIFE APPLICATION:



THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE:



TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE:



# Shout Out: Let 'em Know You're Thankful

Use this guide to help your family learn how  
God wants us to be grateful.

First, watch  
this week's  
video!

Gratitude:  
Letting others  
know you see  
how they've  
helped you

### Memory Verse

Give thanks to  
the Lord, because  
he is good. His  
faithful love  
continues forever.  
Psalm 136:1, NIV

### Bible Story

Lord's Supper /  
Last Supper  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26,  
Exodus 12

### Bottom Line

Get in the habit of  
being grateful.

## Activity

### Habit Charades

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

Index cards (or ¼ sheets of paper),  
writing utensil

#### WHAT YOU DO:

Say, "Let's play a game. There are four  
Ask your child about what it means  
to have a habit. Then, ask them what  
some good habits are (brushing your  
teeth, eating healthy, praying at  
bedtime). Write each habit you come  
up with on a card.

Do the same with bad habits (biting  
your nails, talking with your mouth  
full, interrupting, running indoors,  
standing on couches or chairs). Write  
each of those habits on a card.

When you've got around 10 cards  
total, shuffle them together. Then  
play charades! Involve everyone at  
home, if possible. Take turns drawing  
a card from the pile and silently  
acting out each habit while everyone  
else guesses what it is.



## Talk About the Bible Story

What happened during the first Passover? (*God saved His people from the last plague in Egypt by passing over the houses of the people who had lamb's blood painted on their doorframes.*)

Why did people continue to celebrate Passover? (*to remember that God rescued them from slavery*)

What are some of the things that were part of the Passover celebration? (*People ate a meal with lamb and flat bread.*)

Who celebrates communion, or the Lord's Supper? (*people who follow Jesus*)

A good follow-up question is: What makes someone a Jesus-follower? (*They believe that Jesus is their Savior and choose to follow Him.*)

Why do followers of Jesus celebrate communion, or the Lord's Supper? (*to remember that Jesus rescued us by dying on a cross for our sins*)

## Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, when You sent us Jesus, You gave us the one thing we can always be grateful for every day. Even on our worst days, we can be thankful because we know You are watching over us and Your plans are always good. Help us to remember what You've done for us, and to thank You often. In Jesus' name, amen."

# **Gratitude** means letting others know you see how they've helped you.

WEEK  
**5**  
K-1ST

Read Ephesians 5:20

DAY  
**1**

## **Gratitude Journal**

Have your parents ever reminded you to say “thank you” to someone? Sometimes it’s hard for us to remember to be grateful. To help you remember to say thank you, ask a parent to help you find a notebook or some paper that you can make into your very own Gratitude Journal. Keep track of all the things that you are grateful for each day—starting today! And when you have a day that’s hard for you to show gratitude, go back through your journal and remind yourself of all the good things that have happened.

**Ask God to help you find something good in each day!**

DAY  
**2**

## **Picture This**

Pictures are a great way for us to remember some of our favorite memories. Ask a parent if you can look through your family’s pictures on their phone, on a computer, or in a photo album. Select three or four of your favorite pictures that represent a great memory for you and share them with someone. Tell them why you are grateful for each of these special memories.

**Look for special moments to show thanks.**

DAY  
**3**

## **Habit of Thanks**

Look up Ephesians 5:20. God wants us to make a habit of giving thanks always for all things. Ask an adult to help you write the word, GRATEFUL, on a mirror in your room or your bathroom. Each day let it be a reminder to give thanks.

*Dear God,  
Thank you for showing us how important it is to be grateful. Help me make it a habit to be grateful each day. In Jesus’ name, amen.*

DAY  
**4**

## **The ABCs of Gratitude**

You know how a song or a game helps you remember something? During family time, play the GRATEFUL GAME (like, I’m Going On a Picnic) and see all the things that your family is grateful for. You start off by saying, “We are the SMITH family and we are grateful for APPLES.” The next person says, “We are the SMITH family and we are grateful for APPLES and BREAD.” Try to see how far you can get through the alphabet without forgetting what each person is grateful for! Have fun showing gratitude!

**Thank God for all the things we have to be grateful for.**

**Get in the habit of being grateful.**

PARENT CUE

Think of something that starts with each letter that represents something you are grateful for. Then color in the alphabet.

A

B

C

D

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