

November 15, 2014

Making Thanksgiving Special for Your Family

“We have this moment to hold in our hand, and to touch as it slips through our fingers like sand. Yesterday’s gone and tomorrow may never come, but we have this moment today.” Gloria Gaither

The holidays are beginning and things are already starting to get hectic! Don’t forget to make time for special moments with your children, maybe even develop some new traditions for your family. Sometimes it’s the little things that our little ones remember the most! Here are a few simple ideas.

Create a “Centerpiece”

As a family project, create your own traditional centerpiece to be used each year on your Thanksgiving table. Be creative! The family will enjoy seeing the arrangement year after year. Some suggestions: Pilgrim salt and pepper shakers, Horn of plenty filled with fruits and vegetables, folded-paper turkey.

I Am Thankful Turkey

On a piece of poster board write: “I am Thankful.” Below, put a turkey body. Have your children cut out “feathers” from colorful construction paper. Each day, let them write on a feather what they are thankful for and glue it to the turkey. Little ones can dictate what they want you to write.

Thank You Place Cards

Fold unlined 3x5 cards in half to make place cards for every person at the Thanksgiving table. Decorate the cards in a Thanksgiving theme. Write each person’s name on the front of a card. On the inside, write a personal thank-you message. Make each message personal, truthful, and specific.

Opportunities for You at Grace Church

Want to join a Community Group?
See Barb Jones following Mom to Mom.

Day Break Conference, January 21.
See Cathy Smith.

Please be praying for:

Julie Nelson and her husband, Don, as they travel to China to adopt a baby.

Leah Green recovering from eye surgery.

Marsha Baker, on bed rest for the remainder of her pregnancy. (See Sarah Lee, who is coordinating meals, if you can help.)

Jill Brown and family, as they grieve the loss of her mom last Friday.

*Don’t Forget!
Snacks Next Week:
Emma’s Group*

Continue to pray for each other as we learn and grow together!