

Resource Books for Christmas Traditions

Based on Speaking Topic, *Home for the Holidays*

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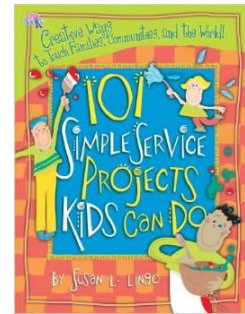
We Light the Candles: Devotions Related to Family Use of the Advent Wreath by Catherine Brandt, Fortress Press, 1987. Paperback: 40 pages.

This is the devotional we used when our girls were young. It is still available! My youngest daughter has our original well-used book. "We Light the Candles is explicit devotions related to family use of the advent wreath. The circle of boughs is a reminder of God's unending love for us and of the gift of everlasting life he gave us through his Son Jesus Christ." www.christianbook.com 12/16/2014.

101 Simple Service Projects Kids Can Do by Susan L. Lingo, Susan Lingo Books, 2013. Paperback: 132 pages.

"101 Simple Service Projects Kids Can Do teaches kids as much about serving God as it does about serving others in unique ways! Kids will discover why we're to serve along with dozens and dozens of ideas for serving their families, friends, communities, churches, and even field missionaries. Each service project (large or small) is based on a Scripture verse and is a way to put their faith into action while helping others in need." amazon.com 12/16/2014.

Also Available: *101 Simple Service Projects Kids Can Do: Creative Ways to Touch Families, Communities, and the World!* by Susan L. Lingo, Teacher Training Series, 2000. Paperback: 128 pages.

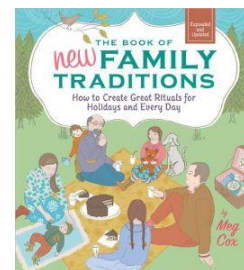


25 Christmas Traditions Your Family Can Start This Year! A collection of Christmas Traditions from our family to yours by Kurt Zimmerman, Amazon Digital Services, Inc., 2013. Kindle Edition: 55 pages.

"It's a time for celebration, enjoying family, good food and observing family traditions....This book offers you 25 different holiday activities you can do THIS Christmas to start fun and memorable family traditions that you, your children and your grandchildren will remember for generations... When family traditions are rooted in the Bible, the next generations will see that the greatest treasure that anyone can have is the treasure of God." Amazon.com 12/2/2014.

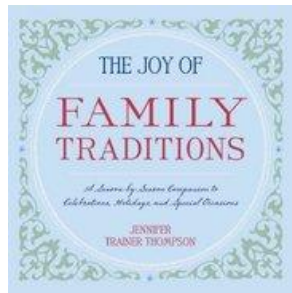
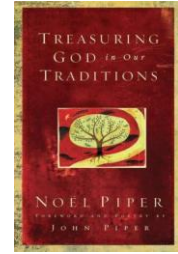
The Book of New Family Traditions How to Create Great Rituals for Holidays and Every Day, by Meg Cox, Running Press Book Publishers, (Revised and Updated) 2012. Paperback & Kindle: 288 pages.

"In a guide newly updated for the next generation, family expert Meg Cox offers a solution. Family rituals provide a sense of home and identity that kids and parents both need. From holidays and birthdays to bed times, meal times, pets, and even chores, *The Book of New Family Traditions* spotlights hundred of ways to bring the fun and ritual back to family life." Amazon.com 12/2/2014.



Treasuring God in Our Traditions by Noel Piper, Crossway, 2007. Paperback: 128 pages.

"God is the treasure of our lives. He is part of everything we do, think, act, and say-literally, he is a part of us. This precious heirloom of Christ himself must be passed on to future generations. But how? **Treasuring God in Our Traditions** presents the importance of passing along Christ-centered traditions and a Bible-saturated legacy in Christ to future generations." barnesandnoble.com 12/16/2014.

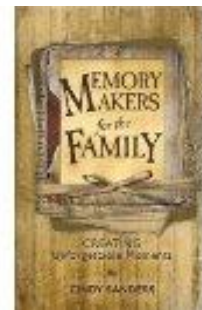


The Joy of Family Traditions: A Season-by-Season Companion to 400 Celebrations and Activities by Jennifer Trainer, Thompson Celestial Arts, 2008. Paperback & Kindle: 256 pages.

"Inspires and instructs families on how to create, personalize, adapt, and preserve relevant traditions that reflect how we live today. Explores the historical, cultural, and often quirky origins of holidays, customs, and milestones, both uncommon and familiar. Includes holidays, holy days, annual events, once-in-a-lifetime occasions, and personal celebrations." Amazon.com 12/2/2014.

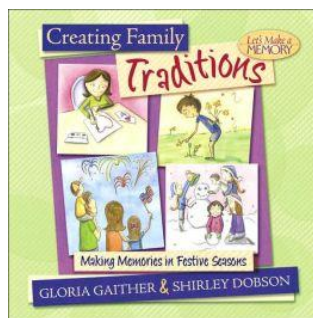
Memory Makers For the Family: Creating Unforgettable Moments by Cindy Sanders, CreateSpace, 2012. Paperback: 176 pages.

"Memory Makers for the Family is about creating unforgettable moments that draw a family together. The busyness of our world seems to pull families apart therefore leaving emptiness and feelings of loneliness. This book is designed to give simple ideas and enjoyable activities for everyday life, special milestones, and holidays. There are also sections on maintaining a home, and everything from house rules to praying for your children. As the family focuses on the important things of life such as God, family and home, the benefits are incredible." amazon.com 12/16/2014.



Let's Make a Memory Series (4 books) by Gloria Gaither & Shirley Dobson, illustrator Carrie Hartman. Multnomah Gifts. Hardcover: 128 pages.

Book 1: *Making Ordinary Days Extraordinary: Great Ideas for Building Family Fun and Togetherness*, 2004.



Book 2: *Creating Family Traditions: Making Memories in Festive Seasons*, 2004.

Book 3: *Celebrating Special Times with Special People*, 2005.

Book 4: *Hide It in Your Heart: Creative Ways for Families to Explore God's Word*, 2005.