



Welcome to our Christmas Messy Church

THE REASON FOR THE SEASON



There are so many things that our families do to get ready for Christmas! There are greetings to send, lists to make, presents to buy and cookies to bake. Our holiday may look a bit different this year. We need to stay away from big crowds to keep everyone healthy. There will be no Santa Claus parade or Sunday School Pageant or big family parties. However, when we think about the real reason for celebrating Christmas, we may just have the best Christmas yet! Now, let's listen to the story by clicking on the tree.

Prayer

You give us many gifts God, but the greatest of these is the gift of Your eternal love through Jesus' birth. Please fill our hearts with your generous spirit so that we may reach out to others in peace and love this Christmas and every day. Amen.

Song

Gather your family together, click the  and sing-along with the video song, Mary's Boy Child.

Craft

We hope that you have fun making a beautiful angel to hang on your Christmas tree. All of the directions are on the next page. You may even want to make an extra one to give to someone special.

**Happy Birthday to all of our Messy Church friends celebrating
December birthdays.**

Warm wishes for a Blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

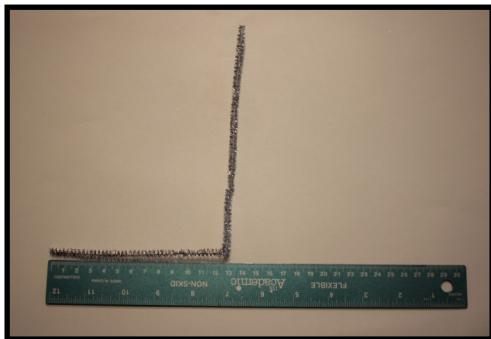


How to make the angel tree decoration.

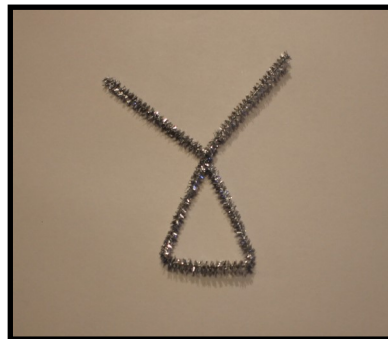


You will need:

- * a glue gun or glue
- * ruler
- * a pipe cleaner
- * small styrofoam ball or 2.5 cm paper circle
- * 15 cm piece of ribbon



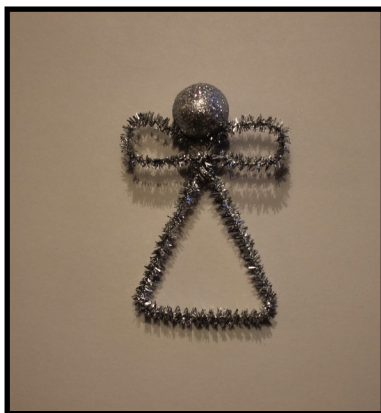
Measure 13 cm from the end of the pipe cleaner and then bend the pipe as shown. Measure 13 cm from the other end of the pipe cleaner and bend it to form three sides of a rectangle.



Twist pipe cleaner to form a triangle for the bottom of the angel.



Bend the ends of the pipe cleaner to form wings and attach with a small dab of glue.



Attach the styrofoam ball or paper circle between the wings using your glue gun.



Attach the ribbon on the back of the styrofoam ball/ paper circle.



If you are using a paper circle for the head, draw hair, eyes and mouth before attaching. You could add a small bow under the head if you like.