



Bringing Gifts to the Lord

In some church congregations children and adults bring gifts for the church where they worship. These gifts include things that will be useful in worship, Sunday School, church suppers, and other activities of the church. It is a tangible way for children to give a gift to the Lord.

Here are some ways you could adapt this tradition:

1. Encourage your children to make pictures or decorations for the place where you keep a copy of the Lord's Word.
2. Buy a children's book, Bible illustrations, or other materials that can enhance your child's spiritual growth. Wrap them and put them under the tree to be opened along with the other gifts. These books may then be added to your worship center.
3. Find out if your Sunday School, church, or parochial school would welcome a gift. The Sunday School may need craft supplies, Bible illustrations, flannel boards, or other materials. Perhaps the church would welcome additional copies of songbooks, candles, or other supplies. Classroom teachers may be able to suggest special materials that could be used to enhance classroom worship or to make special art projects illustrating the stories of the Word.