



LOVE

CHRISTMAS
PROJECT

December
Love Can
Projects

Last month we started a movement that included three parts in phase one of our annual Christmas Project. For December, we have three more parts in phase two that are outlined below. We hope this project will help you activate God's love in and through your life.

PART 1: ONE FRIEND

We all have that *one friend* we hope will find a relationship with Jesus. Christmas is a great time to invest & invite because people seem to be open to God and church in the holiday season. This month:

- Pray that your *one friend* might be open to God's love.
- Invite them to one of the Christmas services.
- Share your story about how God's love changed your life with them.

LOVE CAN open hearts and minds to find a relationship with Jesus.

PART 2: LOVE WEEK

From December 15-19, we want to focus on looking beyond ourselves. This is a great way to activate God's love in your life. There is a different focus each day and ways to do this in the regular routine of your life. There are more details on the back of this card.

Monday, December 15: Love God

Tuesday, December 16: Love Your Family

Wednesday, December 17: Love Your Neighbors

Thursday, December 18: Love Your Community

Friday, December 19: Love Your *One Friend*

PART 3: CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE MISSION

As we are each trying to reach our *one friend*, our church is teaming together to share God's love & message with people in our community. We have some special things planned in the new year for us to team together and help each other reach our *one friend*. Many people give a year-end tax deductible donation or Christmas gift to The Journey and this year these gifts will go towards reaching our *one friends*. Would you please consider giving a year-end donation as we look to continue in God's mission at The Journey? You can give with a Love Can Christmas Project envelope or you can donate to the Love Can Christmas Project online on the donate page.



Below are some ideas for each day's focus for Love Week. Feel free to come up with your own ideas as we look to activate God's love in & through our lives.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15: LOVE GOD

We want to begin Love Week by opening our hearts to God's love.

-Read 1 Corinthians 13

-Take time to pray & thank God for all He's done and given you.

-Read the Christmas Story in Luke 2. Use the Kids Bible App for your family.

-Listen to some of the songs we sing at church to focus on God. You can find a list at thejourneycc.com/songs.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16: LOVE YOUR FAMILY

-Put a note in your kid's lunch or meet your spouse for lunch.

-Give the gift of time to each other. Turn off the tv & spend time together.

-Write a note or make a special phone call.

-Send some flowers or make a special gift.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBORS

-Bake some Christmas cookies to share.

-Shovel their driveway, brush off their car, bring up their trash can.

-Share a meal or give them a gift like a free car wash.

-Decorate your neighborhoods' mailboxes or go caroling around the block.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18: LOVE YOUR COMMUNITY

If you haven't yet, or even if you have already, take time to do an act of kindness today. Instead of something random, do something intentional for someone in our community. You can find a list for the random acts of kindness on the Love Can Facebook Page or on our church website on the Christmas Project page. Love Can booklets & cards are available at church.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19: LOVE YOUR ONE FRIEND

-Pray that God might open their mind and heart to Him.

-Pray that God will work through you so they might see God in you.

-Invite them to church on Sunday or to the Christmas Eve services.

-Pass on a ticket to them for the services on Christmas Eve.

-Do an Act of Kindness this Christmas for your *one friend*.