## St. Andrew's Methodist Church Getting Ready for Christmas



# **Crafty Cribs**

Christmas is coming and will we ever be ready? There's so much to do! Shopping for presents, cooking for all the visitors who will come, writing endless Christmas cards and letters, rehearsing for Christmas plays, putting up the tree...

### STOP!

We want to help you to get ready for Christmas properly this year by remembering what Christmas is all aboutthe birth of Jesus, in a stable in Bethlehem, God come into our world as one of us.

## **Crafty Cribs**

#### This is what will happen

Saturday 1st December there will be an exhibition of home made crib scenes at St. Andrew's. These will be on show from 10-12 and there will also be coffee and colouring crafts and carols to sing.

YOU are invited to make a crib scene. You can make the people out of anything you like- pipe cleaners, pegs, cones, bottles, paper, card... And you will need a stable, too! Make it at home and bring it on Saturday 1st December. There will be a small prize and a certificate for every home made crib that is brought. Invite your friends to come and look at all the crib scenes.

After the parade service on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 10.30, at which we will bless the cribs that you have made, you will be able to take your crib scene home.

### Then the fun begins!

You will be given a pack containing instructions for assembling your crib scene.

• Eg Week 1 Decide where you are going to put the crib scene. Set out the empty stable and a manger full of hay. If you have made angels you could put them round the empty stable

And so on, right up to Christmas Day

- · You will also be given a set of prayer cards to use each day
- · And a candle to light each day

We hope you are as excited about this as we are and we hope that you will come on 1st December with your crib scene.