

# Holiday Helps

Ideas for Elementary Classrooms

Welcome back spring and celebrate Jesus' life-giving love with this fun flowerpot!

## Praise Jesus Flower Pot

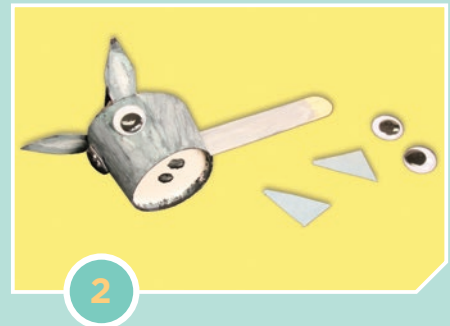
### What You'll Need

- 8-oz. paper cups, or 5" peat pots (1 per child)
- small paper cups (or 3" peat pots) (1 per child)
- wood craft sticks (4 per child)
- large wood craft sticks (1 per child)
- wiggly eyes (2 per child)
- paint and paintbrushes
- construction paper
- grass seed (or other fast-growing seed)
- yarn
- markers
- scissors
- tape or glue
- potting soil
- small stones



### What to Do

1. Paint the cups and craft sticks gray or brown (the color of a donkey's coat and legs). Paint the bottom of the small cup white (like a donkey's snout). Paint black "hooves" at the ends of four of the craft stick "legs." The large craft stick will be used for the donkey's neck.
2. Use wiggly eyes, markers, and construction paper to transform the small cup into a donkey's head. Draw nostrils on the cup's bottom. Glue wiggly eyes on the sides of the cup (near the top rim). Cut two triangles "ears" from construction paper and attach them inside the rim of the cup. On the opposite side of the cup (across from the eyes and ears), cut a slit slightly wider than a large craft stick. Push the neck craft stick up through the slit so that it holds the head.
3. Tape or glue the "leg" craft sticks to the bottom of the 8 oz. cup, as illustrated. For added fun, cut and tie together several strands of yarn to make a yarn "tail." Cut a small hole in the back of the cup and slip one strand of yarn through the hole. Tie the yarn to secure the tail to the back of the cup. Put a few small stones in the bottom of the cup. Add soil and seeds. Then push the free end of the neck stick down into the soil. Water the soil regularly. Watch for the plants to grow. Thank God for the life He gives. Praise Jesus because He came to give you life.



### Another Idea!

Moms will love these adorable flowerpot pets! Have the kids make several to give away on Mother's Day. A note placed inside each pot can read: "Hee haw! Have a happy day!"

