

Hi friend,

Happy November! You're receiving this email because **I'm looking for ~11 other people who would be interested in participating in a Jesse Tree Ornament Exchange?**

A Jesse Tree is created with a symbolic set of 25 ornaments, each of which represent a different piece of the overarching redemption story of the Old Testament leading up to the birth of Jesus. The ornaments typically coordinate with a story or verse from scripture and can be hung on your regular Christmas tree or on a separate tree.

My original set of homemade Jesse Tree ornaments is so precious to our family & many friends have asked about them over the years. More than a few have been lost or broken, so I thought it might be time to host another exchange and invite YOU into this simple tradition.

We're going to coordinate the ornaments with the 25 stories in the Jesus Storybook Bible. My family reads this every December. One story per day, beginning with the first story. (If you don't have it already, it's a great storybook bible to own... truly enjoyed by all ages.)

The 22nd-25th stories in this book all tell different pieces of the Christmas story. (Which is perfect, because we usually miss a few and it's easy to catch up at the end by reading them all on Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning!)

We'll also pair scripture references with each ornament/ story so you can choose to read the scripture verbatim from your Bible if you prefer.

Here is how the exchange works, if you want to join:

1. You will be assigned 2 stories to create ornaments for. (If you don't want to own a copy of the Jesus Storybook Bible, you can just use the scripture references to make your ornament.)
2. You'll make 12 copies of each ornament - 1 for yourself and 11 others!
3. You'll bring ALL 12 copies of EACH ornament you made to my house on date @ time .
4. We'll lay out all 25 story ornaments + a little paper that has the scripture & story references.
5. You'll walk through and get 1 of each ornament to use for your family's 2024 Jesse Tree Advent.

There is ZERO pressure to participate in this. I made a long list of mamas who I thought might enjoy this and you are welcome to join in or pass.

I do need your decision ASAP so I can invite someone else if you decide this isn't for you right now.

If you're not that crafty, no worries!! There are TONS of ideas on the internet. I attached a few pictures from my first set too to inspire you. They can be super simple - handmade or store bought. As long as you have 12 identical copies of each ornament you're assigned, you're good to go!

Let me know your decision as soon as you can. I'll send out ornament assignments on _____

Love,
Hostess Name

P.s. If you can't make the exchange on the date and you still want to join, you can bring me your ornaments anytime before then so I can set them up for you and put together your set.