

# Cymuned Bach!

for  
Mothering  
Sunday



# The Secret Baby

There was a basket in the water.  
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The baby's big sister was watching from the river bank.  
And God was watching too.

Why was the basket in the water?  
Why was the baby in the basket?  
Because the baby was a Hebrew - a great, great, great grandson of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.  
"There are too many Israelites in Egypt," the king said to his soldiers.  
"If we are not careful, there will soon be more of them than of us!  
So I want you to kill every baby Hebrew boy."  
Some Hebrew mothers cried.  
Some Hebrew mothers ran.  
She covered a basket with tar - so it would not sink.  
She laid her baby in the basket - and prayed that he would be quiet.  
And she hid the basket in the reeds near the river bank  
and hoped no one would notice.

But someone did.  
And not just *any* someone.  
The daughter of the king himself!  
She went to the river to bathe.  
She spotted the basket boat.  
She sent her servants to fetch it out.  
And when she looked into it - oh, what a surprise!

The baby's big sister hid her eyes. She could not bear to watch. But God kept watching. He had special plans for this baby. "I don't care if this baby is a Hebrew," the king's daughter announced.

"I want to keep him. Coochie-coochie-coo. I shall call him Moses. But I will need a serving woman to feed him and look after him..."

And that's when God nudged the baby's big sister, just enough so she'd jump up from where she'd been hiding.

"A serving woman?" she shouted almost before she thought. "I know a serving woman who can help you."

"Well then, fetch her, girl," commanded the princess.

And God just smiled. For now little Moses would be raised by his own mother, taught the Hebrew ways, and be ready for that day when God would use him to set his people free.

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# Creative Prayer

God made sure that Moses had a mother to care for him, by allowing his mother to look after him before he went to live with the pharaoh's daughter. On this mothering Sunday let us think about all the reasons we have to be thankful for the motherly figures in our lives.

To create a prayer flower you will need:

1. Several different coloured pieces of card
2. Scissors
3. Felt tip pens
4. Glue

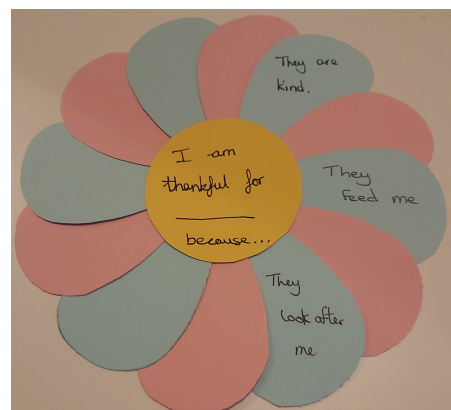
Begin by cutting a circle shape out of a piece of card to use as your backing

Cut a selection of coloured petals out of card and glue onto the backing card

Cut out a circle to be placed in the centre over the petals

In the middle of the circle write "I am thankful for \_\_\_\_\_ because..."

Use your felt tip pens to write why you are thankful on each petal



## MOTHERS OF THE BIBLE CROSSWORD

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EVE

SARAH

REBEKAH

RACHEL

JOCHEBED

PHARAOHS DAUGHTER

NAOMI

HANNAH

ELIZABETH

MARY

# Games

## **Food in the Couch**

**Items needed:**

**A sofa (or some other piece of furniture)**

**10 M&M's /Smarties/ Maltesers / or similar**

**A straw**

**A small bowl**

**Set up:**

**Spread the sweets on top of the sofa**

**How to play:**

**The children have been eating in the living room again! In this challenge your task is to vacuum up the sweets on the sofa using only the straw and your lung power. Suck each sweet up with the straw and place it in the bowl. You have 60 seconds to complete the task.**

## **Cookie Face**

**Items needed:**

**One cookie or biscuit for each player**

**How to play:**

**Nothing tastes better than Mum's cooking! In this challenge, you have to move the cookie/ biscuit from your forehead to you mouth, using only your facial muscles to wiggle the cookie/ biscuit on its way. Complete the task in 60 seconds or less, or it's no treat for you!**

# Craft: Make a plant pot

## You will need

Old Newspapers

Water

PVA Glue

Wallpaper paste

Clingfilm

Mould e.g. Mug/ Bowl/ Small Vase

Paint

## Instructions

1. **Tear up enough small pieces of newspaper to fill a mug when packed tight**
2. **Place the pieces of newspaper in a bowl and cover with hot water. Leave to soak for three hours**
3. **Transfer the soaked paper into a colander or sieve. Squeeze the pieces together so that the water runs out and the paper forms a mash**
4. **Put the mashed paper back into the empty bowl and add a tablespoon of pva glue and a tablespoon of wallpaper paste to the mixture.**
5. **Line the inside of your mould with clingfilm**
6. **Press paper pulp into the mould with your fingers. When it is about 1cm thick smooth the surface with your fingers.**
7. **Leave to dry for three hours**
8. **Once dry lift the pulp shell carefully out of the mould.**
9. **Paint the bowl in a colour of your choice**
10. **Your plant pot is now ready**



