

# Iesodo™

— Yay-Sa-Doe —

## Flydown to Christmas Calendar Instructions

**For to us a child is born, to us a son is given.**

Isaiah 9:6 NIV

Each day, a bird friend for Iesodo will arrive in your home to tweet, sing, or squawk the Good News about Jesus. Prepare this simple craft and let your children discover the faith, hope, and love of the season.

### Prepare:

Gather these items around you at a table for fast and easy assembly

- Photo paper or cardstock
- Adult scissors
- Child scissors
- X-Acto knife or similar craft knife
- Ruler
- Cutting board or cardboard box
- Prizes (Christmas candy, pencils, erasers, extra TV or video game time, etc.) (Optional)
- Zip-top plastic bag

### Plan:

- Print out the Flydown to Christmas Calendar on photo paper or cardstock. (Consider printing one Christmas Package and one page of birds for each child in your family. Every child could have his or her own calendar)
- Place the Christmas Package (page 2) on a kitchen cutting board or flattened cardboard box
- Using a X-Acto knife or similar craft knife and a ruler, cut along the dotted lines to create 12 slits on the Christmas package (page 2)
- Keep a zip-top plastic bag handy to put all of the birds in (one bag for each calendar)
- Hang the Christmas Package on a bulletin board, wall, or door in your home. Place it at a height easy for your youngest child to reach

### Play:

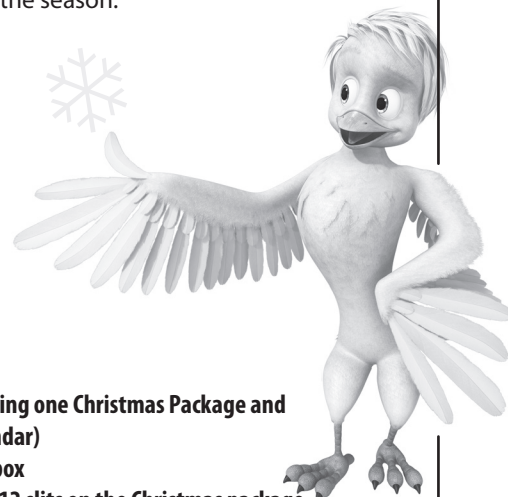
- Gather your children and have them cut out one or more birds
- Demonstrate how the birds fit into the slots
- Explain: "Each morning when you wake up, come to me and ask for a new bird. Then fly your bird to the calendar. Before you place him in his or her roost for the day, read the Bible verse. This way, we'll fly down to Christmas together. (Optional: when you do, I'll give you a Christmas surprise.)"

*Don't feel the pressure to be perfect.*

*There may be some days you don't have time to play and others where you hand out several birds.*

*Don't allow this to add stress to the season. Answer the questions when you can.*

Watch a demonstration video online at [bit.ly/flydowncal](http://bit.ly/flydowncal)



## Now Available on DVD!

12

December 14

11

December 15

10

December 16

9

December 17

8

December 18

7

December 19

6

December 20

5

December 21

4

December 22

3

December 23

2

December 24

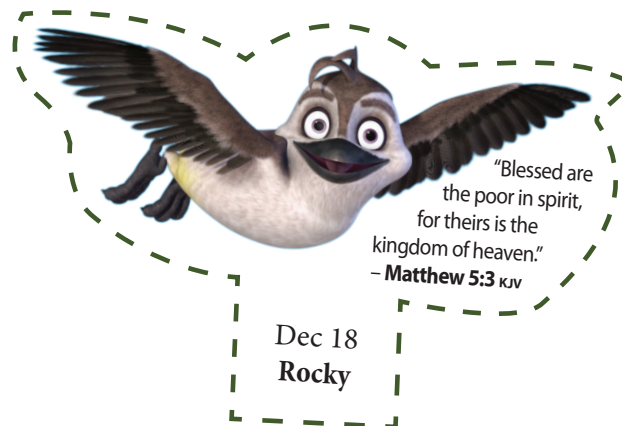
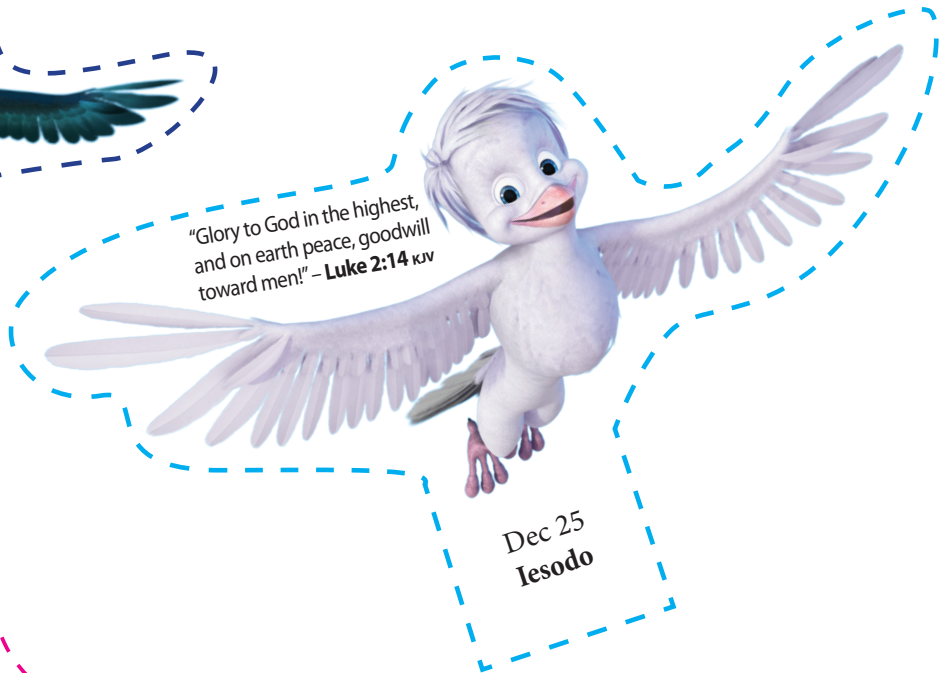
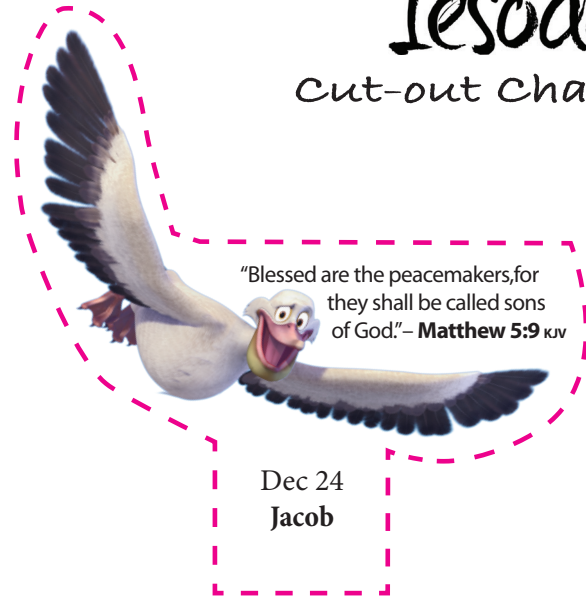
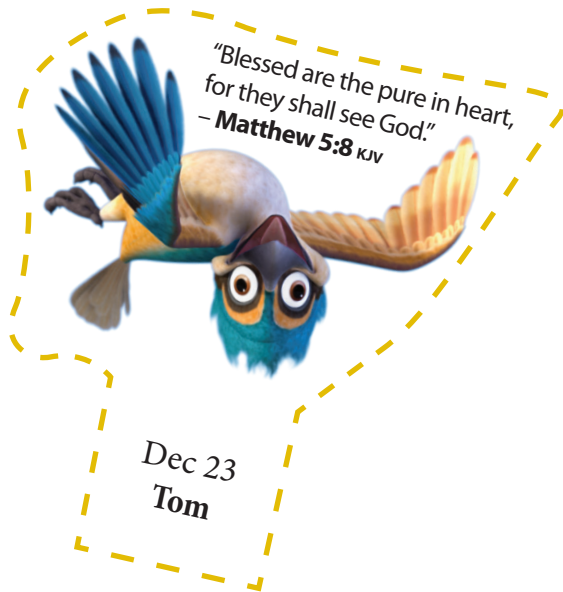
1

December 25



# Iesodo™

## Cut-out Characters






# Iesodo™

## Cut-out Characters




"Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?"  
- **Matthew 6:26** NIV

Dec 14  
**Brown Pelican**




"And He said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.'" - **Matthew 4:19** ESV

Dec 17  
**Jack**




"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."  
- **Matthew 5:5** KJV

Dec 20  
**Father Finch**



"One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!"  
- **John 9:25**

Dec 16  
**Luke**



"Everything is possible for one who believes." - **Mark 9:23** NIV

Dec 15  
**Stork**



"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."  
- **Mathew 5:7** KJV

Dec 22  
**Mother Finch**