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# Light Party Resource Pack

# Introduction

A Light Party is a brilliant opportunity for children in your community to connect, have fun and build relationships in a safe and friendly environment.

This resource pack has lots of ideas to help you create this event, with ideas that can be used in a variety of settings – from one-off parties to your regular children's discipleship groups.

### Includes:

- · Getting ready checklist
- Game ideas
- Craft ideas
- Prayer and worship ideas
- Blank poster



# Getting ready checklist

# Building a team

### Think about:

- · How many children can attend
- Number of adults you'll need to join your team
- Specific roles, eg registration / catering / activity leaders / set-up ...
- Has everyone done safeguarding training?
- Do the leaders have a current DBS?

### **Promotion**

### Think about:

- Who you're inviting, eg specific invites / local community / club attendants
- How you'll promote the event: social media / printed posters / emails
- Is this a paid event / free event / donation based?
- Do you need to consider pre-booking places?
- NB There is a blank poster attached which you can personalise





# **Planning**

Think about:

- How long is your event?
- How many activities will you need to fill the time?
- Which activities will you include?
- Will there be an invitation to dress in colourful clothes?
- Who will lead the activities?
- Who will purchase the resources, and is there a budget to be aware of?

# Final touches!

Think about:

- Food and drinks (please be aware of allergies)
- Decorations
- Equipment for games
- Resources for crafts
- Timings for the event how will the programme run?
- Ensure volunteers know their roles



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# Game ideas

# Glow hoopla

You'll need:

- Glow sticks with connectors (2-3 per hoop)
- Recycled bottles filled with water and one glow stick inside

Make hoops with glow sticks to throw over bottles. Make this game as simple or as complicated as you like by adding obstacles in front of the containers.

# **Sweet strings**

You'll need:

- String
- Party rings / mini doughnuts (check for allergies)
- A pole (or similar) to hang the strings

Hang small doughnuts or party ring biscuits from lengths of string; the children try to eat them without using their hands.

# Follow the leader

You'll need:

A torch

A leader holds the torch, and the lights are dimmed – or reduced. The children follow the torch light to see what action they need to do. Use the ones below or make up your own!

- Torch on the ceiling: hands above your head
- Torch on the floor: run on the spot
- Torch making a circle: spin around on the spot



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# Craft ideas

# Colourful lanterns

Each child will need:

- A recycled glass jar
- PVA glue
- A brush
- Coloured tissue paper, cut into strips or torn into pieces
- A tealight (battery ones can be safer options)
- Pens / glitter glue pens or the Bible verse on a piece of paper (optional)

Brush a thin coat of PVA glue all over the jar. Add strips or pieces of tissue paper on to the glue, covering all the jar. Add extra glue if the pieces overlap. Leave to dry then add a tealight inside.

# Optional:

When dry, write the Bible verse on part of the jar or glue on a paper with the verse on it.

### Bible verse:

'You, Lord, are my lamp; the Lord turns my darkness into light.' (2 Samuel 22:29 NIV)

# Candle holders

Each child will need:

- A small lump of air-dry clay
- A tealight (battery ones can be safer options)
- Paint and brushes (optional)
- The Bible verse on a strip or circular piece of paper (optional)

Shape some clay into a tealight holder. Children can make a simple holder by pushing their thumbs into a ball of clay to shape it into a bowl. Or they could coil rolls of clay in a circle, building up the sides into a bowl shape. Or they could pleat the clay first. Let them get creative!

# Optional:

If there is time, they may wish to paint the tealight holders. You may wish to incorporate the Bible verse, eg glue a strip of paper with the Bible verse on it to the bottom of the tealight holder or create a circular coaster with the verse written along the edge, for the holder to sit on.

### Bible verse:

'Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.' (Psalm 119:105 NIV)







# **Edible** bonfire

Each pair/group will need:

- A plate or paper plate
- A food to be the base, eq chocolate brownie / biscuit / cracker
- Food to replicate flames, eg red, orange, yellow sweets / icing sugar
- Food to replicate **sticks**, eg Matchmakers / bread sticks / Twiglets / chocolate fingers
- Icing (optional)

On the plate build up a bonfire. Place the 'base' on the plate, then sprinkle some 'flames' in the middle. Add the 'sticks' on top, building them up into a peak like inverted V's. Add more 'flames' inside around the 'sticks'.

### Optional:

Use icing to help secure the sticks. Write the Bible verse along the paper plate.

### Bible verse:

'In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven.'
(Matthew 5:16 NIV)

# Prayer and worship ideas

# Prayer idea

Each child will need:

A glow stick

The Bible says ... 'Shine as lights among the people of this world, as you hold firmly to the message that gives life.' (Philippians 2:15-16 CEV)

Bend a glow stick. Can you hear it break? Shake it then watch it shine brightly!

What does it mean for us to shine as bright lights for God?

If we shine brightly by being more like Jesus, who or what can help us?

Ask God how you can be a shining light and make a difference in the world. Listen for what God tells you!

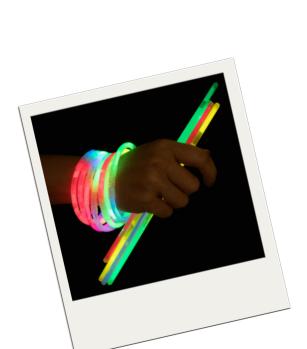




# Worship songs

'My Lighthouse' (official music video with hand motions) by Rend Co. Kids (4:08)

'City on a Hill' (official lyric video) by Nick and Becky Drake Worship for Everyone (4:40)







# rou are invited to our light Party

