



MEMORY VERSE
CALENDAR

2022



HEY PARENTS!

Welcome to Citizens Church's first Memory Verse Calendar! We have aligned both our Preschool and Elementary Ministries to learn the same verse each month to help center your family around God's Word in the home regardless of the ages of your children! In this calendar we have emphasized three things to help your family focus on God's Word in the home:

1. MEMORY VERSES

This year each Memory Verse of the Month is centered on the gospel. These verses show us how Jesus Came to Save Sinners and help us to rejoice in that gift of salvation. Along with the calendar, we will have a song for each verse that we use in our classrooms and that you can find on our website to use at home, too.

2. CHURCH CALENDAR

Practiced for over 1,500 years, the Church calendar serves as a way to order our lives around the Christian story. Inspired by the annual feasts and celebrations of God's people throughout the Old Testament, the calendar can be traced all the way back to the early Church, when Christians began establishing rhythms and rituals based on the one story of Scripture. The gatherings, practices and traditions of the seasons help us remember who God is and what He has done in Jesus Christ and help us to live in that story every day as the people of God.

3. LANGUAGE

We teach who God is and what He has done in Jesus Christ by highlighting one of five foundational truths each week – God Made Everything, God Is in Charge of Everything, God Is Good, Jesus Came to Save Sinners and God Wants to Talk With Us. We have also provided you with a list of terms and definitions to help you talk about the things of God using the same language that we use on Sunday mornings.

Our hope and prayer is that this resource would help you to know the God of the Bible, rejoice in and believe the gospel and center your home around His Word. We love you!



OLD TESTAMENT

A Biblical Timeline

GOD'S BIG STORY

NEW TESTAMENT



Throughout the Bible, we see an overarching timeline of God's work, sometimes referred to as the metanarrative. During the course of the year, we refer back to this timeline at

various points to help your child gain an understanding of how each narrative fits into God's Big Story. We hope that by providing a copy for you to use at home, you can continue to help your child grow

in their understanding of not only when things happened but also how we are still waiting with hope for Christ's promised return.



GLOSSARY

TERMS FOR TEACHING

ANGEL – a mighty messenger and warrior from God

BAPTISM – to dip someone under some water and bring them back up—like Jesus died and was raised back to life—to show everyone that God has given them a new, healthy heart like Jesus

BIBLE – God’s true Word. It is from God and about God.

A CHURCH – a group of people who love and trust Jesus

THE CHURCH – everyone who loves and trusts Jesus

COMMUNION – when people who love and trust Jesus eat and drink together to remember His death on the cross, how Jesus’ body was broken like bread and His blood was poured out like wine for sin

CRUCIFY – to die on a cross

DESERT – a really hot, dry place with almost no food or water

DISCIPLE – a friend and follower of Jesus

GOD – God the Father is God. Jesus the Son is God. The Holy Spirit is God. There is only one God who is three different persons. God Made Everything. God Is in Charge of Everything. God Is Good!

GOSPEL – the good news that Jesus Came to Save Sinners and the whole world from sin

HEAVEN – the place where God lives

IDOL – anything we love and trust more than God

ISRAELITES – God’s special, chosen people

MIRACLE – something amazing and special that shows God’s power

PROMISED LAND – the place God promised to give to the Israelites that was full of good things

PROPHET – someone who speaks for God

SACRIFICE – giving something special and valuable to God to show Him that He is better

SAVES – rescues

SIN (SICK HEART) – anything we do or think that is different from what God wants. Sin starts in our hearts and comes out in our actions. Everyone sins. Sin separates us from God, and we die.

TAX COLLECTOR – someone who collects money and gives it to the people in charge of a city as a job

TEMPLE – the place where God’s people worshiped God together a long time ago

TEMPTATION – when our hearts or other people tell us that sinning is better than obeying God

WORSHIP – how we show that God is most valuable. Only God deserves our worship. We use our voices, minds, and bodies to worship God.



JANUARY

For our sake he made
him to be sin who knew
no sin, so that in him
we might become the
righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21



ABOUT EPIPHANY

Epiphany means “to show” or “make known” and is a time when we celebrate that Jesus is the Son of God and the Savior God promised to His people. During Epiphany, we also celebrate that Jesus came to live with His people.

During the season of Epiphany, we will learn stories about Jesus being with His people and living a perfect life.

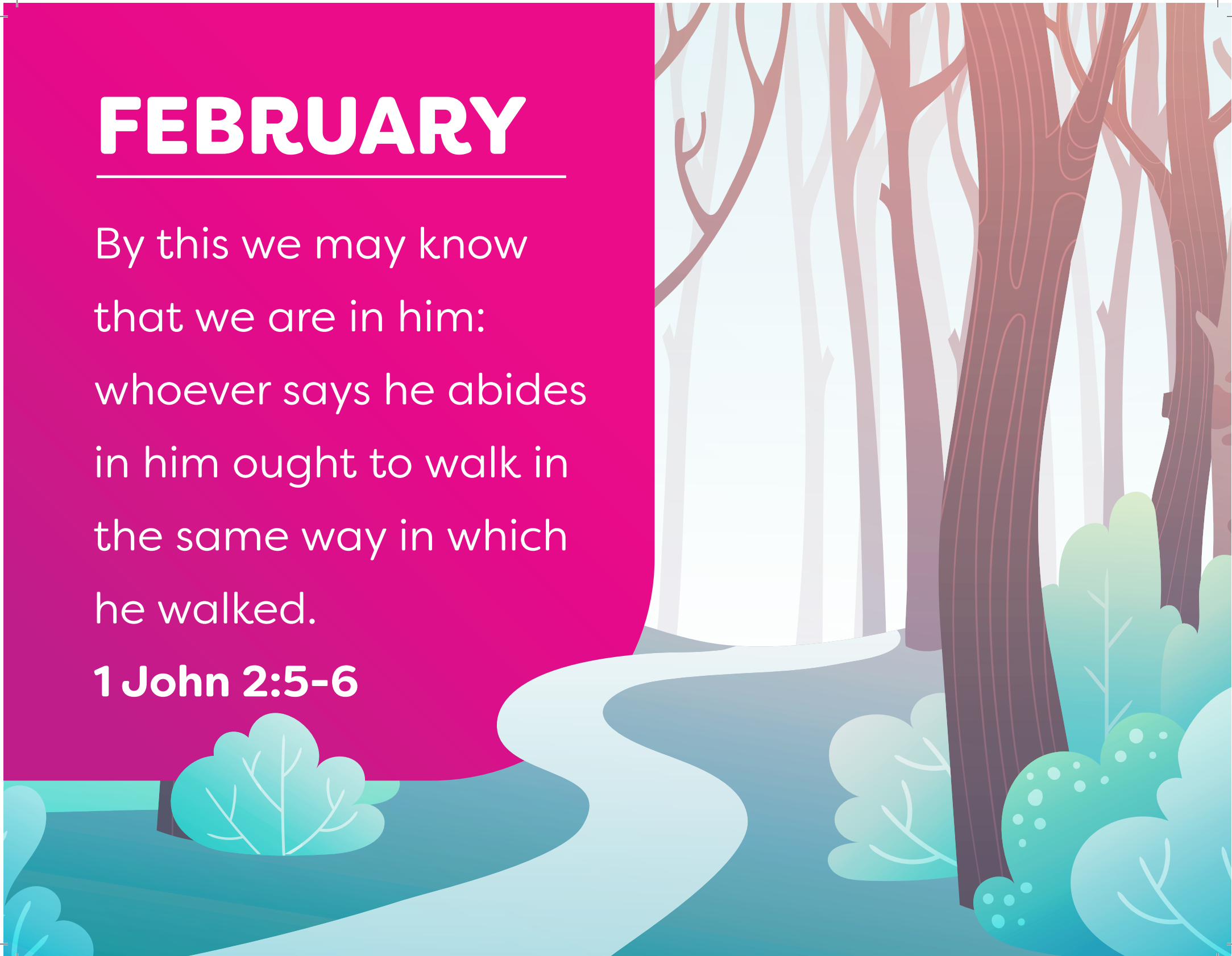


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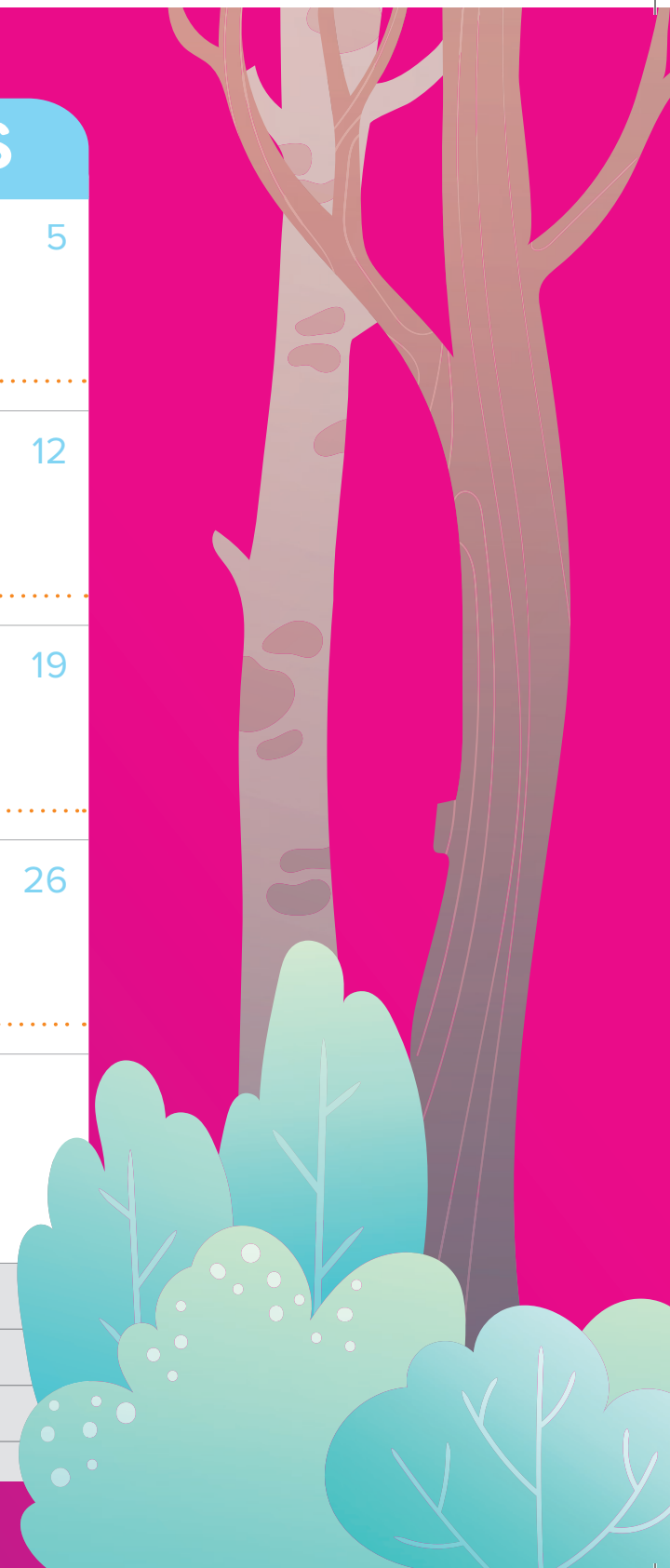
By this we may know
that we are in him:
whoever says he abides
in him ought to walk in
the same way in which
he walked.

1 John 2:5-6



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MARCH

But to all who did
receive him, who
believed in his name,
he gave the right to
become children of God.

John 1:12



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ABOUT LENT

Lent is the time leading up to Jesus dying on the cross for our sin. It is 40 days long to remind us of when Jesus went into the wilderness and Satan tried to get Him to sin. Not once did Jesus sin. He is the only person who has lived a perfect life! This season reminds us that Jesus gave His life on the cross to save sinners!

During the last week of Lent, we celebrate Holy Week. This is a week when we celebrate the final days of Jesus' life. It starts with Palm Sunday, when Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem on a donkey. It includes the last meal Jesus had with His disciples, Jesus dying on the cross for our sin, and ends with His body being buried in a tomb.





APRIL

For the Son of Man
came to seek and
to save the lost.

Luke 19:10

ABOUT EASTER

Easter is a time we celebrate that Jesus is no longer dead; He is alive! He was buried in a tomb, and on the third day, He rose from the grave. During Easter, we celebrate that Jesus came back to life, and for 40 days, He met with His people before going back to heaven to be with God the Father. Because Jesus is with God the Father in heaven, we can celebrate that all who love and trust in God will one day be with God, too.

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MAY

For by grace you have
been saved through
faith. And this is not
your own doing; it is
the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8

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ABOUT PENTECOST

During the season of Pentecost, we celebrate that God has given the Holy Spirit as a gift to those who love and trust Jesus. Jesus did not leave His people alone but sent a Helper, the Holy Spirit. We celebrate how God's children, led by the Helper, began to tell others about how Jesus came to save sinners. As more and more people heard about Jesus, the Church grew. The Church is a group of people who love and trust Jesus and spend time learning about, worshiping, and telling others about Jesus. God's children are all over the world and are all a part of His Church. During Pentecost, we celebrate the gift of the Helper and the beginning of the Church.



JUNE

The LORD has done
great things for
us; we are glad!

Psalms 126:3

ABOUT ORDINARY TIME

During the season of Ordinary Time, we celebrate what Jesus told His disciples to do—go around the whole world telling others about Him! This is a time we celebrate what the Holy Spirit, the Helper, is doing in the Church to make disciples. We call this “Ordinary Time” because we tell others about Jesus in the places that we are—in our homes, neighborhoods, schools—until the whole world knows Him!

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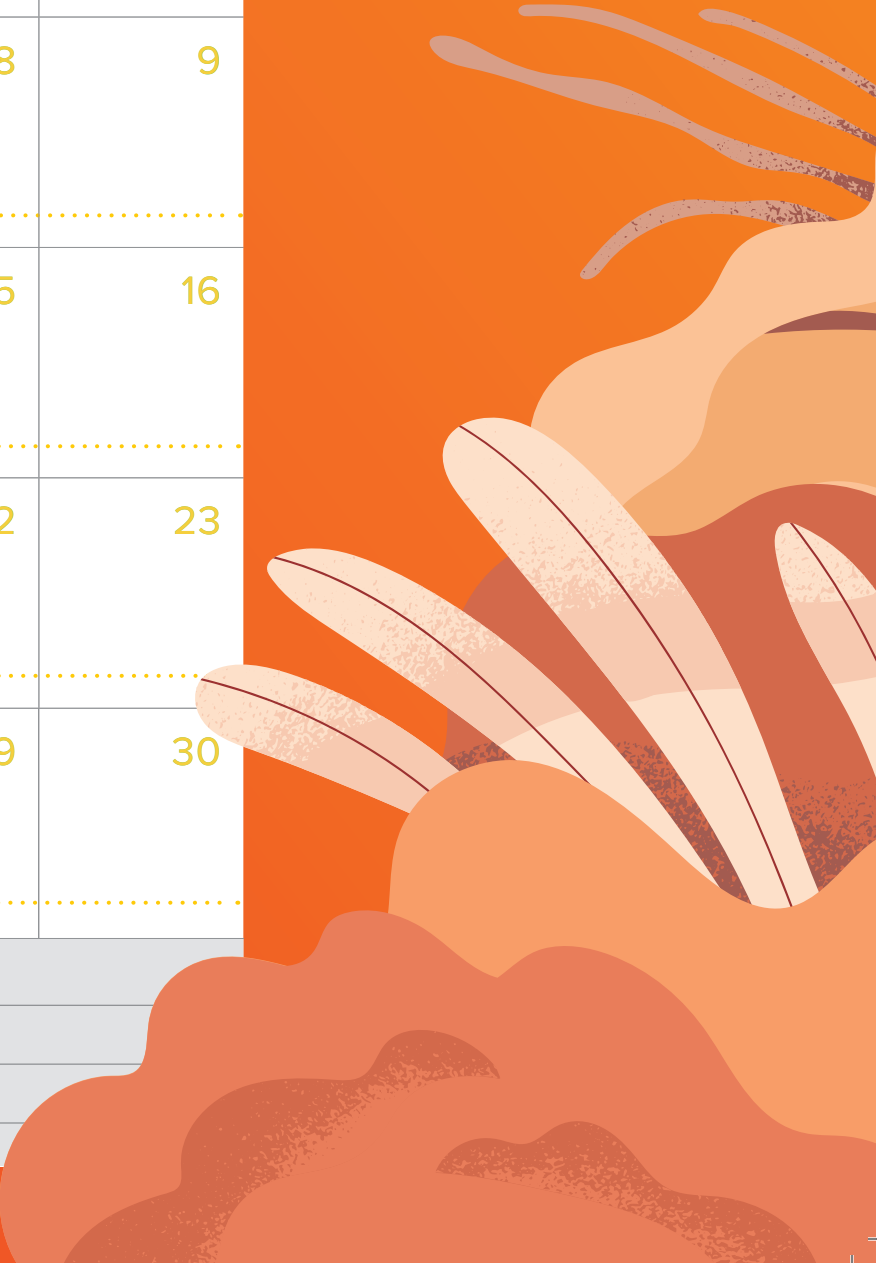
JULY

The LORD is good to
all, and his mercy is
over all that he has
made.

Psalm 145:9



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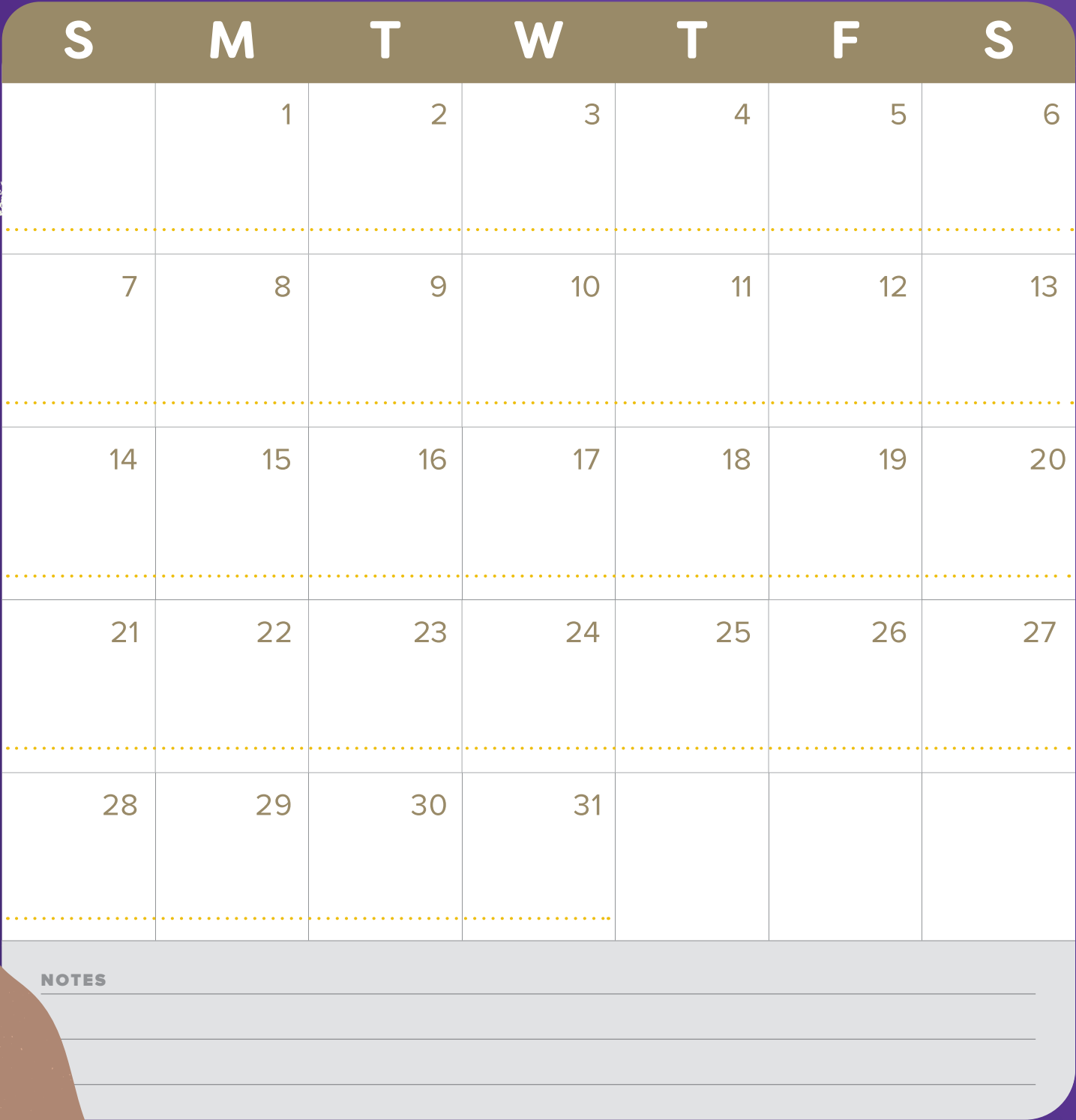


AUGUST

For all have sinned
and fall short of the
glory of God.

Romans 3:23







SEPTEMBER

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23

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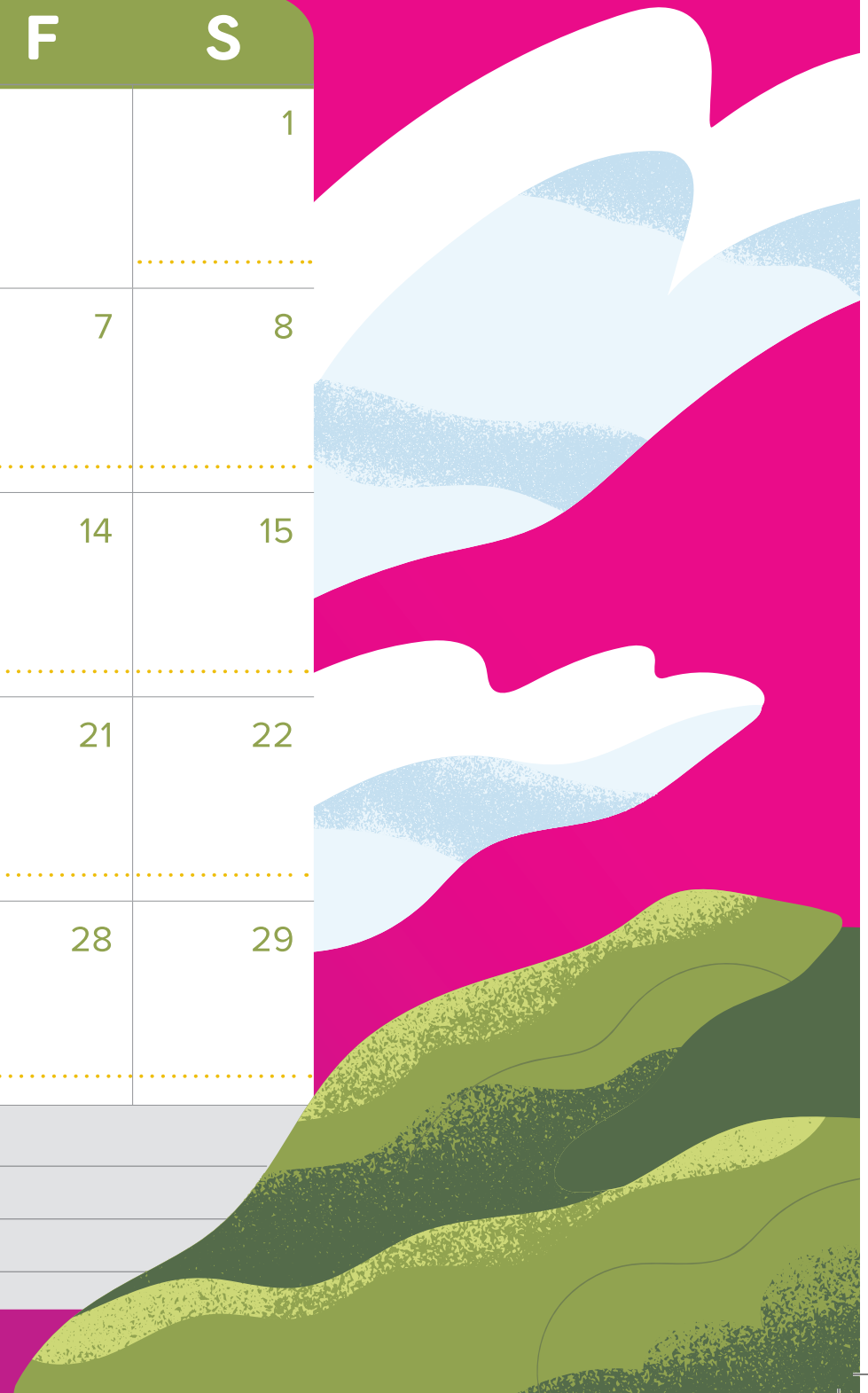


OCTOBER

But God shows his love
for us in that while we
were still sinners, Christ
died for us.

Romans 5:8

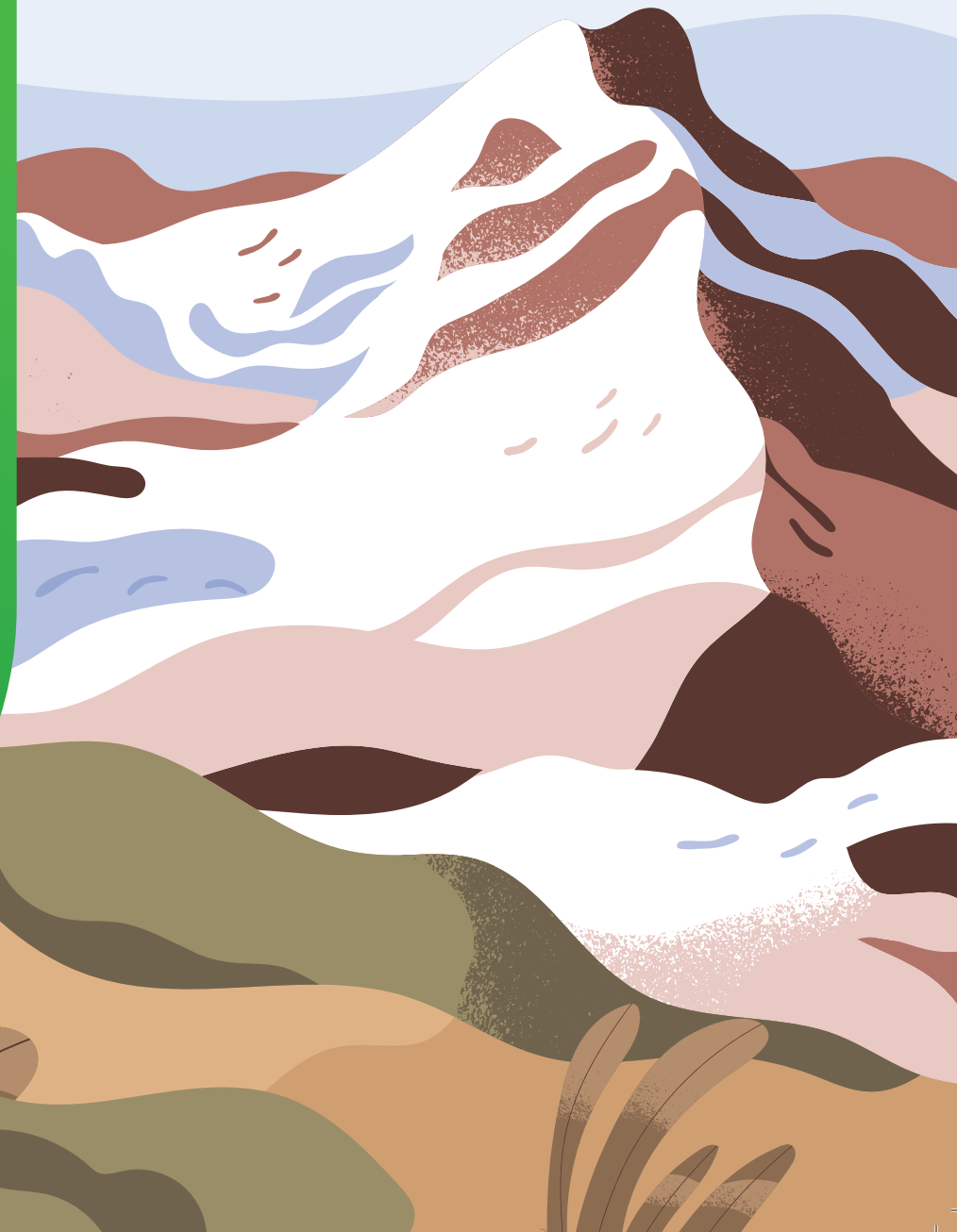
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NOVEMBER

Because, if you confess
with your mouth that
Jesus is Lord and believe
in your heart that God
raised him from the
dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9



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SEASON OF ADVENT						

ABOUT ADVENT

The word Advent means “coming” or “arrival.” In this season, we remember that Jesus came down to be born as a little baby. When we celebrate Advent, we remind ourselves that all people have hearts sick with sin. Nobody can make their own heart healthy. But Jesus came to save sinners! We celebrate that Jesus came to make sick hearts healthy for all who love and trust Him.

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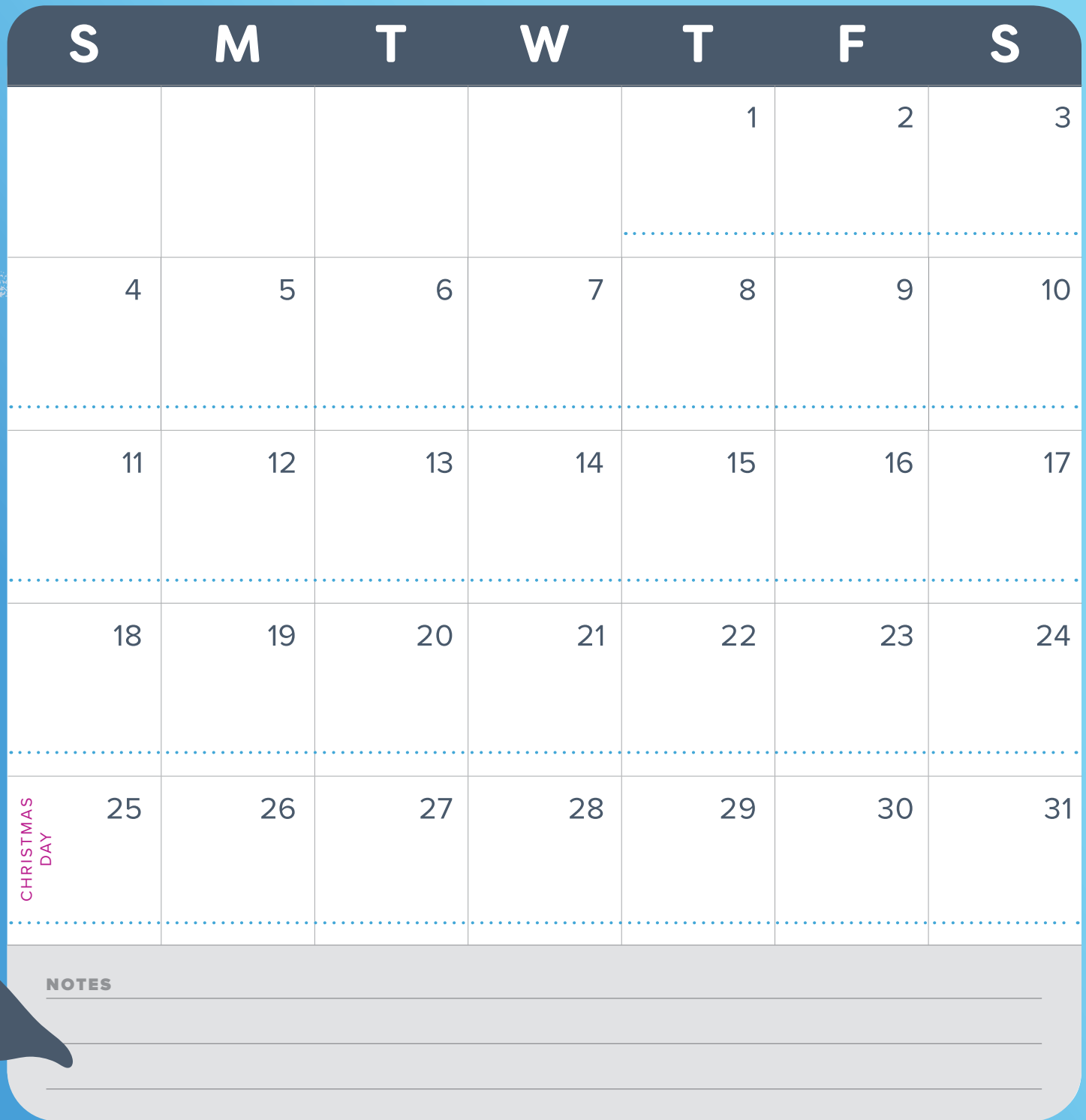




DECEMBER

She will bear a son, and
you shall call his name
Jesus, for he will save his
people from their sins.

Matthew 1:21




KIDS