

# Good News Charades

## Materials

- ☐ List of good news announcements (below)
- ☐ Optional: props (see suggestions in parentheses)

## Instructions

*If you are using them, place the props you brought into a large bag or basket before class. Ask for a volunteer to come up to receive some good news. Whisper one of the announcements from the list in his ear. He will turn to the class and say, "Good news!" and the class will say, "What's the good news?" The student will then try to get the class to guess the news by acting it out silently. If he wishes, he may choose a prop from the bag/basket to use. Remind the students to use the prop as they are acting out, not just to hold it up. Be prepared to prompt students who need ideas for acting out their announcements.*

## Suggested Discussion

You did a great job acting out all of this good news. In today's lesson, the angel Gabriel made two announcements of good news. God was preparing the way for the Messiah, the Savior, to come to earth. In our game, we had to guess the news that people were acting out. But when Gabriel made his announcements, no one had to guess. His news was very clear. Zechariah and Elizabeth's baby would be the messenger, and Mary's baby would be the Messiah, the Savior. The good news of Jesus is the best news ever!

## Good News Announcements and prop suggestions

1. My mom's going to have a baby. (baby doll, baby blanket/rattle/bottle)
2. My aunt is getting married. (fake flowers, costume veil or ring)
3. We're moving to a new house. (house photo)
4. We get to eat out tonight. (carry-out menu, plastic eating utensils)
5. We're going on an exciting trip. (small travel bag, post card)
6. We got a new car. (toy car)
7. My dad got a new job. (briefcase, man's tie)
8. I got a new dog (or other pet). (pet toy, box of pet food)
9. My grandparents gave me some money. (coins, play money)
10. Our team won. (soccer ball or other sports-related item; pom-pom)
11. I'm having a birthday party. (balloon, streamers, cake candle)
12. The president's coming to town. (small US flag, dark sunglasses/secret service shades)
13. A parade's coming down the street. (balloon, small flag, toy horn)
14. Mom made dessert for dinner. (box of cake/cookie mix; cake server; dessert plate/fork)
15. We're going to the movies tonight. (popcorn/empty popcorn container, tickets)
16. We're going swimming tomorrow. (swimming trunks, sunblock)