## **Some Advent Resources 2018**

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## Smaller Books (to give away?)

#### **Love Life, Live Advent: Adult and Youth Version** CH Publishing, (£2.99)

Paula Gooder & Peter Babington

"This offers a prayer activity for every day of Advent, accompanied by a thoughtful and inspiring Bible reflection from Paula Gooder."

## <u>The One True Story: Daily Readings for Advent from Genesis to Jesus.</u> Good Book Company, (£4.24) Tim Chesters

"24 short meditative readings from Genesis to Jesus. Each day includes ideas for reflection, prayer and application, designed to excite you about the gospel message in the run-up to Christmas."

#### Ready Steady Slow; An Advent Calendar to Unwind with CH Publishing, (£4.99)

Jan McFarlane, Paula Gooder, Nick Baines, John Kiddle, Stephen Cottrell

"It offers a daily practical tip for each day in December, as well as a reading, a prayer, a short reflection and a reference to an online video with a helpful message."

#### Pocket Prayers for Advent and Christmas CH Publishing, (£5.99)

Jan McFarlane

"Structured to provide a prayer a day throughout the festive period"

## Online Resources and Advent Calendars (to be added to as more become available)

#### Bible Society, #AdventChallenge

"This year, take on 24 acts of kindness to show those around you there's more to Christmas than they might have first thought..."

#### **Cafod Interactive Advent Calendar**

Not available yet but will be soon here

#### Names of Jesus Advent Candle, CPO (£2.50)

"Light up each day from 1 December with this candle featuring 25 of the names given to Jesus in the Bible, and a silhouette of the stable scene at the base"

## **Bigger Books**

## The Art of Advent: A Painting a Day from Advent to Epiphany SPCK (£9.99)

Jane Williams

"Illustrated with nearly 40 masterpieces of Western art, this beautiful book will lead you into a deeply prayerful response to all that these paintings convey to the discerning eye."

# <u>Waiting on the Word: A poem a day for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany</u> Canterbury Press (£12.99) Malcolm Guite

"The bestselling poet Malcolm Guite chooses a favourite poem from across the Christian spiritual and English literary traditions and offers incisive seasonal reflections on it."

#### Haphazard by Starlight: A Poem a Day from Advent to Epiphany, SPCK (£9.99)

Janet Morley

"Each day, from advent to Epiphany, offers a poem (sometimes explicitly Christian, often not) and an accessible commentary that is both critically informed and devotional in intent."

#### Walking Backwards to Christmas: An Advent journey from light to darkness, SPCK (£7.99)

Stephen Cottrell

"This backwards approach to the Christmas story enables us to get under the skin of a complex narrative. Each imaginative reflection is prefaced by a Bible reading and followed by a prayer."

#### **Do Nothing....Christmas is Coming, CHP (£6.99)**

"For every day of Advent, a short, practical step to help us slow down, take time out - and resist the pressure of the Christmas whirl."

#### Lighted Windows: An Advent calendar for a world in waiting, BRF (£7.99)

Margaret Silf

"The journey mapped out here is an invitation to look into some of the windows of our human experience, and discover insights into what we wait for, and long for — reflections of God's guidance and the call to trust and live by God's wisdom."

#### Celtic Advent; 40 days of devotions to Christmas, BRF (£8.99)

David Cole

"This inspirational book takes the reader through Advent to the celebration of Christmas through the eyes and beliefs of Celtic Christianity."

#### For Children and Families

#### Love Life, Live Advent: Make Room in the Manger, Kids Version (£1.50)

Paula Gooder & Peter Babington

"It provides a simple prayer activity for children and families to do together, every day of Advent."

### Advent Box, CPO (£7.50)

"This advent box for families or children's groups gives activities and pray suggestions for each week to help think about some of the gifts that God revealed to us in his son Jesus."

#### Story of Christmas Colouring Advent Poster, CPO (A4 - £2.95)

"An Advent Calendar as a poster with a daily picture of the Christmas story to colour in"

#### The Gingerbread Nativity, BRF, (PDF download as out of print - £6.99)

Renita Boyle

"The Gingerbread Nativity uses the popular tradition of making and decorating gingerbread houses and biscuits to explore the themes of Advent and Christmas. It is ideal for families, Sunday schools and midweek clubs – in four weekly sessions, half day workshop or a Messy Church.

#### Creative Ideas for Advent and Christmas; 80 seasonal activities, BRF (£8.99)

Jane Tibbs

"It contains a wealth of inspirational easy-to-do ideas, using readily available materials and ready to be slotted in to any situation. The activities are ideal for children but will also be enjoyed by all ages."

#### The Littlest Watchman - Advent Calendar, CPO (£4.99)

Each window in this Advent Calendar for children age 7-11 opens to reveal a full-colour illustration of the events of Christmas and tears off to allow you to make your very own "Jesse tree" decoration.