LightTheWorld
# Giving Machine
KANDAS CITY

# Family Home Evening Lesson

## The Savior's Gift, and the Gift of Giving | Giving Machines

**Opening Song:** "Still, Still, Still" (Hymn 1207, Hymns—For Home and Church)

**Opening Prayer:** .....

**Discussion Questions:**

- Why did Heavenly Father send Jesus Christ to earth, and why is that the very first Christmas gift? (John 3:16; Luke 2:10–11)
- The angels announced, "peace on earth, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14). What would it look like for our family to bring that message into our neighborhood this year?
- King Benjamin taught that when we share what we have with those in need, we retain a remission of our sins (Mosiah 4:16, 26). How does giving to others help us feel closer to the Savior?
- The Savior taught that when we serve "the least of these," we are serving Him (Matthew 25:34–40). How might someone feel the Savior's love through a gift we give?

**Stories and Examples**

- **Luke 2:1–14:** The birth of Christ, the first and greatest gift
- **Isaiah 9:6:** The promised gift of a Savior
- **Mosiah 4:16–26:** King Benjamin on caring for the poor
- **Matthew 25:34–40:** "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these"
- **Doctrine and Covenants 42:30–31:** Consecrating of our substance to care for the poor
- See below for local stories

**Light the World by giving through the Giving Machines**

Each December the Church invites members around the world to "Light the World" by following the Savior's pattern of service — giving of our time, talents, and means the way He gave of Himself for us. The Giving Machines will again be hosted by Union Station, and this is a wonderful, hands-on way for our family to live that invitation together and to invite friends to join us.

- Who could we invite to go with us to the Giving Machines?
- What other activities could we do while we are there?

**Local Giving Machine Stories:**

DRINK AND TREAT STANDS:

Three young girls earned $100 selling lemonade and cookies at a neighborhood lemonade stand! The Giving Machines will be the recipients of some of the money they earned. There is JOY in giving as the Savior does.

FLAMINGO FUNDRAISER: YOU'VE BEEN FLOCKED!

A family started with 20 pink flamingos, "flocking" neighbors' lawns overnight. A donation to the Giving Machines picked the next "victim," and the kids loved sneaking out under cover of darkness to move the flock. Six weeks later it had raised real money — and a lot of community joy.

**Scan to learn more about the Giving Machine at GivingMachineKC.org**