



November 2018
Follow-up letter

This year in Messy Church our stories are about . .

We heard how

- God created water
- God kept Noah and the animals safe when it rained so much
- And now . . .



Patti is ready to welcome everyone with a smile



God made the water move so that the people could cross the sea safely.

Debbie showed us something really amazing. In a small dish of water she shook pepper all over the water and when she put her finger with a drop of dishwashing detergent into the water – what happened? The pepper all moved to the sides of the dish! It was pretty amazing.



The Bible story was about something far more amazing than that. We heard that the Israelites were slaves in Egypt and Pharaoh was being very mean to them and wouldn't let them leave. Finally he said they could go. So God led them through the desert by day with a big cloud and by night with a pillar of fire until they reached a big sea called the Red Sea. But Pharaoh changed his mind and decided he wanted them back again. So he sent his army of men and chariots to chase the Israelites and bring them back.

When the Israelites saw the Egyptian army coming, they were afraid. But Moses said, "Don't be afraid. Just stand still and watch God save you today". Then Moses raised his hand over the sea, and God sent a big wind to move the water to the side, just like the pepper did, so the people walked on dry ground through the middle of the sea. When the Egyptian army used the same path the waters came back and that was the end of them.

When the people of Israel were safe, they rejoiced with singing and I am sure with musical instruments like the horns and tambourines that the children made and played after the story.

[Video of the story to show the children](#)

We learned that God cares for us. You can read the story in the Bible in [Exodus 14, 1 - 17](#).



Mom and daughter are gluing fishes on the sea – that parted for the people.



Our 'band' play their instruments to celebrate the crossing on dry land.



Next Time - Thursday December 20, 5 – 7 pm.

Doors open 4:45pm.

Come to a Birthday Party – for Jesus!

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Moses Parts the Red Sea

(Exodus 13:17—14:31)

God chose Moses to lead His people out of Egypt. They walked on and on until they came to the Red Sea. Soon the people saw the Egyptian army chasing them. They were very afraid but God told Moses to stretch his hand out over the sea. God pushed back the water until dry land appeared and the people crossed safely to the other side. The Egyptians tried to follow but God sent the water crashing back down and washed them all away.

Find and circle a brick, a dog, a Bible and a bird hidden in the picture.

