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Christmas Helpers in Training

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Christmas Helpers in Training

A Light Comedy Christmas Program for Preschoolers

Length: ~20 minutes

Cast: 8–15 preschoolers (plus optional adults/older kids as leader or Bible characters)

Style: Fun, values-based, easy-to-stage program

Synopsis

Christmas Helpers in Training turns your preschoolers into a “helper crew” learning how to get ready for the story of Jesus’ birth. Led by a warm, funny “Coach,” the children practice four simple “helper jobs”: **Kindness, Sharing, Helping, and Welcoming.** Through short skits, easy motions, and hands-on actions (like setting up the stable, passing a star, and welcoming Mary, Joseph, shepherds, and a wise person), they discover how these everyday values connect to the very first Christmas.

By the end, the children gather around the manger to say simple “Helper Pledges” to Jesus and shout a joyful “Merry Christmas!” to the congregation.

Why Teachers & Churches Love It

- **Perfect for Preschool Attention Spans**
  Short, clear scenes with lots of movement and participation. No long monologues for little ones.
- **Values-Focused & Christ-Centered**
  Teaches kindness, sharing, helping, and welcoming—then ties each one directly to the birth of Jesus.
- **Super Flexible Casting**
  Works with **8–15 preschoolers**, plus optional Mary, Joseph, shepherd, wise person, and animals. Kids can double as helpers and Bible characters with simple costume changes.
- **Low-Prep & Volunteer-Friendly**
  Uses items most churches already have:
    - Tool belts or simple “Helper” shirts
    - Toy tools
    - A manger and baby doll
    - A star on a stick and a few wrapped boxes

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- **Interactive with the Congregation**
  Built-in call-and-response lines, simple motions, and a place for everyone to join in a short prayer or song.

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Ideal For

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- Sunday school Christmas programs
- Preschool chapel or children's church
- Small churches or classes with limited rehearsal time
- Any ministry wanting a **simple, cute, and meaningful** preschool Christmas skit that clearly points to Jesus as God's greatest gift.

Christmas Helpers in Training makes even your youngest kids feel successful on stage—while gently teaching them that the best way to celebrate Christmas is to love like Jesus.

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A Light Christmas Comedy for Preschoolers (About 20 Minutes)

CAST

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Main Leader (older child or adult)

- **COACH GRACE** (or "Teacher Tim," "Miss Joy," etc.) – fun, warm, and very patient; leads the "helper training school."

Preschool Helpers (8–15 kids)

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You can rename them with your kids' names. You don't need them all, but here are ideas:

- **HELPER SAM** – very eager, sometimes too fast
- **HELPER LILY** – kind and gentle
- **HELPER MAX** – silly, loves to make people laugh
- **HELPER MIA** – shy but brave when helping
- **HELPER JOJO** – always asking questions
- **HELPER BELLA** – loves to share
- **HELPER NOAH** – good at welcoming people
- **HELPER ZOE** – likes to clean and fix things

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Any extra children can be additional "helpers," "visitors," "shepherds," or "animals."

Optional Bible Story Roles

(These can be played by some of the same helpers with quick costume changes, or by a few extra kids.)

- **MARY**
- **JOSEPH**
- **SHEPHERD** (or 2–3 shepherds)
- **WISE PERSON** (or 2–3 wise people)
- **ANIMALS** – sheep, cow, donkey (kids with simple ears/headbands)

PROPS & COSTUMES (All Very Simple)

- **Tool belts** (real kids' tool belts, fabric belts, or long strips of cloth tied at the waist)
- **Large t-shirts or simple "Helper" vests** (one color for all helpers)
- **Toy tools** – plastic hammer, screwdriver, paintbrush, feather duster, small broom, etc.
- **Christmas props** –
    - A big **star** on a stick
    - A few **wrapped "gifts"** (empty boxes)
    - A **manger** with baby doll (Baby Jesus)
    - A small **blanket** or "hay" (yellow cloth)
- **Bible-story costumes** –
    - Mary & Joseph: simple robes (large t-shirts, pillowcases with headbands)
    - Shepherd: towel or scarf on head + stick (toy staff)
    - Wise person: scarf and shiny box
    - Animals: headbands with paper ears

SETTING

One main stage or open area, divided in imagination:

- **"Helper Training Center"** – front and center, where COACH GRACE and helpers stand/sit
- **"Stable corner"** – off to one side, where the manger and Baby Jesus will go
- **"Pathway"** – area the "visitors" (Mary, Joseph, Shepherd, Wise person) will walk to the stable

You can leave everything visible the whole time and just shift attention by where people stand.

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THE SKIT

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Opening – Welcome to Helper School

(Lights up. COACH GRACE stands center stage with a clipboard or notebook. Helpers sit or stand in a row or semi-circle, wearing tool belts or "Helper" shirts.)

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COACH GRACE (big smile):

Welcome, welcome, welcome

to **Christmas Helper School!**

Today, you are all

TO

Christmas Helpers in Training.

(Gestures to kids.)

Let's hear all my helpers say,

"I'm a helper!"

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ALL HELPERS (repeat):

I'm a helper!

COACH GRACE:

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Nice and loud!

Again!

ALL HELPERS (louder):

I'm a helper!

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COACH GRACE:

Excellent.

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Now, I'm going to check my list.

(Glances at imaginary list.)

Today, we will learn

four helper jobs:

1. **Kindness**
2. **Sharing**
3. **Helping**
4. **Welcoming**

When we put those together,

we'll be ready

for the **Christmas story**.

HELPER MAX (raises hand):

Um… do we get snacks too?

(Audience laughs.)

COACH GRACE (smiling):

Maybe *after* training.

First lesson:

KINDNESS.

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Lesson 1 – KINDNESS

COACH GRACE:

Helpers, please stand up.

Feet together…

hands by your sides…

Now, when I say **KINDNESS**,

you put your hands on your heart like this

and smile.

(Demonstrates. Kids copy.)

Let's try it.

Everybody: "KINDNESS!"

ALL HELPERS:

KINDNESS!

(Hands on hearts, smile.)

COACH GRACE:

Kindness means

we think about other people

and treat them gently.

We use **soft hands**,

soft words,

and **good listening ears**.

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Little Kindness Scene

(COACH GRACE turns slightly to audience, talking like a narrator.)

COACH GRACE:

Let's pretend

Helper Lily is drawing a picture.

HELPER LILY,

come over here and sit.

(HELPER LILY sits on floor or small stool, "drawing" on paper.)

Helper Sam,

you really want the crayons.

HELPER SAM,

come stand next to her.

(SAM comes up, eager.)

COACH GRACE:

Now, I'll show you

NOT a kind way first.

Helper Sam,

grab the crayons fast!

(SAM snatches crayons. LILY looks sad.)

HELPER LILY (small voice):

Hey… that hurt my feelings.

COACH GRACE:

Oh no.

That was not kindness, was it?

ALL HELPERS (head shake, say):

Nooo.

COACH GRACE:

Now let's try

the **Helper-in-Training** way.

Helper Sam,

give the crayons back.

(SAM returns them.)

Say, "May I have a turn, please?"

HELPER SAM:

May I have a turn, please?

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HELPER LILY:

Sure, you can have a turn

when I finish this tree.

COACH GRACE:

That was kindness!

You used nice words

and gentle hands.

Helpers,

show me “KINDNESS” again!

ALL HELPERS:

KINDNESS!

(Hands on hearts, smile.)

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Quick Call-and-Response

COACH GRACE:

I will say some things.

You shout “Kind!”

if it’s kind.

If it’s **not** kind,

you say, “Try again!”

Ready?

- Sharing toys?
  KIDS: Kind!
- Pushing someone?
  KIDS: Try again!
- Saying, “You can sit by me”?
  KIDS: Kind!

- Yanking a book away?
  KIDS: Try again!

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COACH GRACE:

Good job, helpers.

You are learning kindness.

Now, we need

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our next helper skill:

SHARING.

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Lesson 2 – SHARING

COACH GRACE:

Can everyone say **SHARING**?

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ALL HELPERS:

SHARING!

COACH GRACE:

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Sharing means

we don’t keep everything to ourselves.

We remember

that God gives us good things

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to **enjoy**

and to **share**.

(Brings out a toy plate, toy food, or a few small blocks.)

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Here is a plate of pretend cookies.

Helper Max,

you really like cookies.

Come here.

(MAX joins Coach.)

COACH GRACE:

I want you to pretend

these are all for you…

(Whispers loudly to audience)

…but you forgot about sharing.

Helper Max,

hug the plate and say,

“Mine! All mine!”

HELPER MAX (dramatic):

Mine! All mine!

(Helpers giggle.)

COACH GRACE:

Is that good sharing?

ALL HELPERS:

Nooo!

COACH GRACE:

What if we tried again?

This time, Helper Max,

you say,

“Would you like one?”

And hand a cookie

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to two helpers.

(MAX shares pretend cookies with 2 kids.)

HELPER MAX:

Would you like one?

Would you like one?

HELPER BELLA:

Thank you!

HELPER NOAH:

Thanks!

COACH GRACE:

That's better.

We are learning to share.

Now, let's do

a "Sharing Cheer."

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Sharing Cheer (Movements)

COACH GRACE:

When I say "Sharing,"

you:

- Put one hand on your heart
- Reach the other hand out,
  like you're giving something good.

Let's practice.

ALL HELPERS:

Sharing!

(Hand on heart + hand reached out)

COACH GRACE:

Again!

ALL HELPERS (louder):

Sharing!

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Object Lesson with a Star

(COACH GRACE picks up the star on a stick.)

COACH GRACE:

Long ago,

when Jesus was born,

God shared something special

with the world.

He put a bright **star**

in the sky.

This star was like

a big **"Come and See!"** sign.

God was sharing

His best gift:

Jesus.

When we share,

we are a little bit like that star.

We help people see

that God is good.

Helpers,

can you point up

at an imaginary star?

(Everyone points up.)

Say,

“I can share God’s love.”

ALL HELPERS:

I can share God’s love.

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Quick Sharing Game

COACH GRACE:

Helpers, make a circle

or a line.

(Stage helpers arrange the kids.)

I’m going to hand

this pretend star

(or a soft toy)

to Helper Lily.

When you get it,

you turn to the next person

and say,

“Here, I’ll share.”

Ready?

(Pass the star or toy down the line. Each child says, “Here, I’ll share,” or just “I’ll share.” COACH may quietly feed the line if needed.)

COACH GRACE (after it reaches the last child):

Wonderful sharing, helpers.

We've learned **KINDNESS**

and **SHARING**.

Now we need

a helper job with muscles…

HELPING!

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Lesson 3 – HELPING

COACH GRACE:

Everyone flex your arms like this

and say, "Helping!"

(Shows bicep pose.)

ALL HELPERS:

Helping!

COACH GRACE:

Helping means

we use our hands,

our feet,

our eyes,

and our hearts

to do good things

for others.

Today,

we are going to help

get ready

for the Christmas story.

We will set up

our **stable**.

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Setting Up the Stable – Simple Tasks

(COACH points to the stable corner where the manger is.)

We need:

- A soft blanket for Baby Jesus.
- Some hay or cloth on the floor.
- A place for Mary and Joseph to sit.

Helpers, listen carefully:

- **Helper Mia** and **Helper Noah** – please gently carry this blanket to the manger.

(They do.)

- **Helper Bella** and **Helper Sam** – please spread this “hay” cloth on the floor.

(They do, with a little help from an adult.)

- **Helper Max** and **Helper Zoe** – please move these little boxes to the side,
  so there’s room.

(They scoot boxes aside.)

Every time a group finishes,

COACH GRACE leads everyone:

COACH GRACE:

Helpers, what do we say?

ALL HELPERS:

Helping!

(With flex pose.)

Repeat after each task.

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Quick Helping Scene

COACH GRACE:

Sometimes helping means

we see a need

without being asked.

Let's pretend

I drop my papers.

(COACH "accidentally" drops a couple of papers.)

If I drop my papers,

what can a helper do?

(Kids respond: pick them up.)

Helper Jojo,

could you please help me?

HELPER JOJO (picks up papers, hands them over):

Here you go!

COACH GRACE:

Thank you, Helper Jojo.

That was helping!

Helpers,

show me your “Helping” muscles again!

ALL HELPERS:

Helping!

(Flex pose.)

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Lesson 4 – WELCOMING

COACH GRACE:

We have learned

KINDNESS…

SHARING…

HELPING…

Now our last helper job is:

WELCOMING.

Can you say “Welcoming”?

ALL HELPERS:

Welcoming!

COACH GRACE:

Welcoming means

we make people feel like

they belong.

We smile,

we say hello,

we make room,

we are glad they came.

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Practice Welcoming

COACH GRACE:

Helpers,

stand in two lines

like a little path.

(Adults quickly line kids up facing each other, leaving space in the middle aisle.)

When someone walks

down this path,

the helpers will:

- Smile
- Wave
- And say, “We’re glad you’re here!”

Let’s practice with me first.

(COACH walks between the lines.)

ALL HELPERS (as COACH passes):

We’re glad you’re here!

COACH GRACE (turns around):

Beautiful welcoming.

Now you’re ready…

because we have

some **very special visitors**

coming to our stable.

Bringing In the Christmas Story

(COACH moves to the side like a gentle narrator. If possible, soft background music starts, like an instrumental carol.)

COACH GRACE:

Today,

we are not only

Christmas helpers in training.

We are going to welcome

the people

from the Christmas story.

First…

we welcome

Mary and Joseph.

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Mary & Joseph Enter

(MARY and JOSEPH enter from the back or side, walking slowly toward the "welcome path." Helpers in the two lines do what they practiced—smile, wave, and say "We're glad you're here!" Adults can remind if needed.)

ALL HELPERS (as they pass):

We're glad you're here!

(Mary and Joseph arrive at the stable and sit near the manger.)

COACH GRACE:

Mary and Joseph

traveled a long way.

There was no room at the inn,

but helpers

make room for people.

Helpers,

can you pat the floor or chairs

next to you,

and say, “You can sit with us”?

ALL HELPERS:

You can sit with us!

(This is symbolic; Mary & Joseph are already seated, but it shows welcoming.)

Shepherd Enters

COACH GRACE:

Next, we welcome

a **Shepherd**

who heard good news

from the angels.

Shepherd,

come on in!

(SHEPHERD (and maybe a couple sheep) walks down the path. Helpers welcome again.)

ALL HELPERS:

We’re glad you’re here!

(Shepherd kneels or stands near the manger.)

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COACH GRACE:

Shepherds were ordinary people,

working hard at night.

But God loved them

and wanted them

to meet Jesus, too.

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Wise Person Enters

COACH GRACE:

Now, we welcome

a **Wise Person**

who followed a star.

Wise friend,

come and see Jesus!

(WISE PERSON carries a small gift box, walks down path. Helpers welcome.)

ALL HELPERS:

We're glad you're here!

(Wise person comes to the manger and gently holds out the gift.)

WISE PERSON:

This gift is for You, Jesus.

Setting Baby Jesus in the Manger

(If not already there, Mary gently places the baby doll in the manger.)

COACH GRACE:

And here is

the center of our story…

Baby Jesus.

God's Son,

God's best gift to us.

Helpers,

we have been practicing

kindness,

sharing,

helping,

and welcoming…

Now watch how we use them

for Jesus.

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Putting It All Together – The Helper Pledges

(All helpers gather in a semi-circle around the manger, still leaving room so the audience can see. Coach stands to one side.)

1. Kindness Pledge

COACH GRACE:

First, our **Kindness** helpers.

Everyone, hands on hearts.

(Kids put hands on hearts.)

Repeat after me:

COACH GRACE:

“Jesus, I want to be kind…”

HELPERS (repeat):

Jesus, I want to be kind…

COACH GRACE:

“…with my words…”

HELPERS:

…with my words…

COACH GRACE:

“…and my hands…”

HELPERS:

…and my hands…

COACH GRACE:

“…like You are kind to me.”

HELPERS:

…like You are kind to me.

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2. Sharing Pledge

COACH GRACE:

Now our **Sharing** helpers.

One hand on your heart,

one hand reaching out.

(Kids do the motion.)

Repeat after me:

COACH GRACE:

"Jesus, I want to share…"

HELPERS:

Jesus, I want to share…

COACH GRACE:

"…what I have…"

HELPERS:

…what I have…

COACH GRACE:

"…and Your love…"

HELPERS:

…and Your love…

COACH GRACE:

"…with others."

HELPERS:

…with others.

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3. Helping Pledge

COACH GRACE:

Now **Helping**.

Show me your helping muscles.

(Flex pose.)

Repeat after me:

COACH GRACE:

“Jesus, I want to help…”

HELPERS:

Jesus, I want to help…

COACH GRACE:

“…when someone needs it…”

HELPERS:

…when someone needs it…

COACH GRACE:

“…the way You came…”

HELPERS:

…the way You came…

COACH GRACE:

“…to help the whole world.”

HELPERS:

…to help the whole world.

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4. Welcoming Pledge

COACH GRACE:

And last,

our **Welcoming** helpers.

Open your arms

like you’re ready for a big hug.

(Kids open arms.)

Repeat after me:

COACH GRACE:

“Jesus, I want to welcome…”

HELPERS:

Jesus, I want to welcome…

COACH GRACE:

“…friends and new people…”

HELPERS:

…friends and new people…

COACH GRACE:

“…because You welcome me…”

HELPERS:

…because You welcome me…

COACH GRACE:

“…into Your family.”

HELPERS:

…into Your family.

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Tying It to the Christmas Story

COACH GRACE:

Boys and girls,

our helpers learned

some big jobs today.

Let's say them

one more time

together:

(Coach holds up one finger at a time.)

ALL HELPERS & AUDIENCE:

Kindness.

Sharing.

Helping.

Welcoming.

COACH GRACE:

These are not just

helper jobs.

They are ways

we can show the world

that **Jesus**

came at Christmas.

When we are kind,

we remember

how Jesus is kind.

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When we share,

we remember

God shared His best gift—

Jesus.

When we help,

we remember

Jesus came

to help and save us.

When we welcome,

we remember

Jesus welcomes

every child

and every person.

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Short Closing Prayer (Optional)

(Coach invites everyone to bow heads or fold hands.)

COACH GRACE:

Let's say a short prayer.

Repeat after me:

"Dear God…"

HELPERS & AUDIENCE:

Dear God…

"Thank You for Jesus…"

Thank You for Jesus…

“Help me be a helper…”

Help me be a helper…

“Kind, sharing…”

Kind, sharing…

“Helping and welcoming…”

Helping and welcoming…

“Just like You.”

Just like You.

“Amen.”

Amen.

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Final Song & Group Line

COACH GRACE:

Now,

we want to celebrate

our **Christmas Helpers in Training**.

Let’s sing

one last happy song for Jesus.

(Music leader leads one verse/chorus of a simple carol, like “Joy to the World,” “Go Tell It on the Mountain,” or “Happy Birthday, Jesus.” Helpers can clap, sway, or do simple motions.)

Big Finish

(Song ends. All children remain around the manger. Coach stands slightly to one side.)

COACH GRACE:

Helpers,

on the count of three,

we're going to say,

"Merry Christmas!"

to everyone watching.

Ready?

One… two… three!

ALL HELPERS (big and loud):

Merry Christmas!

(They wave to the audience. Lights stay warm on the manger and the kids for a moment, then slowly fade.)

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