

# FAMILY TABLE FOR THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS (AFTER CHRISTMAS)

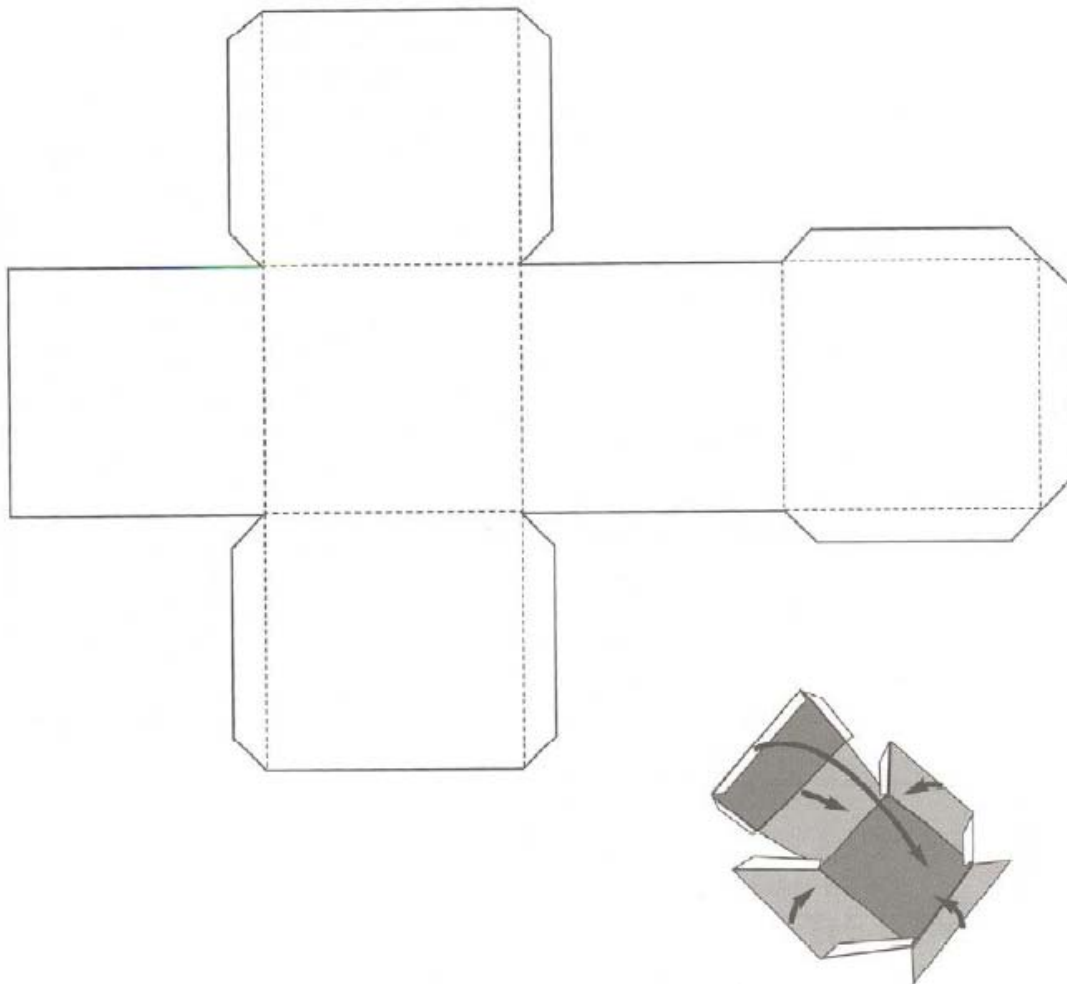
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## MAKE A CHRISTMAS STORY BLOCK

Even though Christmas is past, it is a good time to think back over the Christmas season and remember what was important and special about the season. Use the pattern below to make a story block. (If you have access to a photocopier, make a copy of this page for each member of your family so everyone can do their own story block.)

Things to draw on your story block:

- ◆ the parts of Jesus' birth story OR
- ◆ pictures of people you visited this Christmas OR
- ◆ gifts you gave or received.



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## GIFTS FOR THE CHRIST CHILD

Read together the story of the wise men or kings who brought gifts to Jesus. (Matthew 2: 1-12)

Pretend that you are the wise men and set out three small bowls on your eating table. What could you put in your bowls that would look like gold...and frankincense (a perfumed resin from the Boswellia tree) ...and myrrh (a bitter, red-brown resin from the Commiphora tree)? Use your imagination! Find something in your kitchen or bedroom that might look like the gifts the wise men brought.

