



RHAN O'R
GYFRES 'AR Y
DAITH'



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CHWILIO AM Y

Nadolig

- Dewch o hyd i'r codau QR ac yna eu sganio er mwyn darganfod gwir ystyr yr ŵyl.
- Dyma adnodd sy'n hyblyg ar gyfer ei ddefnyddio mewn cyd-destunau amrywiol - o gwmpas eich cymuned, fel gweithgaredd dosbarth yn yr ysgol, ar gyfer ychydig o deuluoedd dros Zoom...

ADNODD
TAITH
NADOLIG
RYNGWEITHIOL



Mae'r holl wybodaeth ar gyfer y plant a'u teuluoedd ar gael yn Gymraeg ond, oherwydd prinder amser, mae'r cyfarwyddiadau ar gyfer y rhai sy'n rhedeg y gweithgaredd yn Saesneg.

In Search of Christmas



Time: Ideally, over the course of a week, but this will depend on your context (see page 11).

Where: In predetermined local areas, parks, high streets etc. For suggestions of use in other contexts see page 11.

Age range: Families with children aged 5 to 11.

You will need:

- colour copies of the poster and QR code sheets in this resource
- a pen or permanent marker
- a laminator and laminating pouches (desirable, not essential)
- string, cable ties, sticky tack or something to secure the poster and QR code sheets in place.

Introduction

This is a treasure hunt for children and families, using a series of videos to encourage conversation and help crack a code. Videos are accessed by scanning QR codes, as the groups explore the local area. This resource is fun, interactive and engages children in exploring, walking, and sharing their thoughts on the Christmas story.

QR codes are very easy to scan and most modern phones can scan them just by taking a photo. There are also several free apps available to scan QR codes in most mobile app stores.

How does it work?

Included in this resource pack you will find a poster and three QR code sheets. The poster is designed to be used as both an introduction to the trail (where families should start their search) and also as a publicity flyer to share locally.

The QR code on the poster leads to an introductory video that explains what the trail is about. To view this content without scanning the code, go to: <https://youtu.be/UvtENk8awE>

The QR code clue sheets lead to three different videos, taking children on a journey to find the letters that spell 'God' [Duw]. (Please note that families will not need to find or scan the clues in any particular order for the trail to work.) To view this content without scanning the code, go to:

Mary's clue: <https://youtu.be/5wQnrj1yIMg>

The shepherd's clue: <https://youtu.be/ZCOAc9PTbk4>

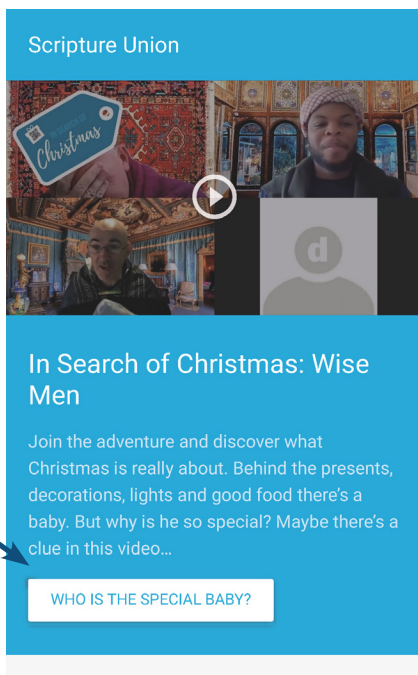
The wise men's clue: <https://youtu.be/zGI7KGzL-NI>



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Having found each of the three clues, and put them together to spell 'God' [Duw], participants then click on the *Who is the special baby?* button, as shown below. (This button is displayed beneath each of the clue videos.)

After clicking on this button, they will be prompted to enter the code (G-o-d) [D-u-w] to access the final video, which explains what makes Christmas so special for Christians.



To view the content of the final video without scanning the QR code, go to: <https://vimeo.com/485399763>

(Please note - you may still need to enter the password 'God' [Duw] to view this video.)

Choosing your location

You must always gain permission from local authorities, businesses or landowners before putting up posters and QR code sheets on their property. (Sample permission letter included in this document on page 10.)

The QR codes provided in this pack are designed to look sufficiently different to the ones being used by businesses as part of the NHS Test and Trace app – but if you think they need to be further differentiated, feel free to add your own graphics or imagery.

It's important to make sure that you choose a good location for your trail. A local park or other publicly accessible community space (such as a churchyard or row of local shops) is ideal.

Be sure to place the codes within a small enough radius for families to walk and search. You should indicate this radius in the relevant box on your information poster. You should only place one copy of each of the 'clue' code sheets within your agreed radius to avoid confusion.

If you think your location is likely to be popular you may want to consider displaying one of the general information posters (page 6) alongside each of the three 'clue' code sheets. This means that someone who stumbles across the trail is more likely to be aware of what they have discovered and will be better able to decide whether or not they would like to engage.

When placing your poster(s) and clue code sheets be aware of memorial benches and other things that have meaning to the community, and avoid sticking the posters there. Make sure they are easily identifiable and not too well hidden.





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Preparation

- 1 Print the poster (page 6) and either add your church's details – name, logo, website/social channels – to it before printing it off, or write them on by hand afterwards. Print as many as you need for your location, and laminate them, if possible. You may also wish to print copies of the poster to use in advance as publicity that can be given to local families.
- 2 Print the QR code sheets (pages 7 to 9 in this resource). Laminate them, if possible, and find suitable locations within the local area (with permission) to display them.
- 3 Publicise well. Let your church know about the trail. Ask parents to circulate the details among friends and family. Publicise on social media channels and local group pages.
- 4 Pray for good connections, for families to engage and have fun, for children to hear about the real meaning of Christmas. Pray for families to get in touch with your church, so you can continue journeying with them.
- 5 When you are ready, take the posters and QR code sheets to the park or area you have chosen and gained permission for. Attach the QR code sheets in place (with the information posters alongside

them, if necessary). Attach the posters to the entrances of the park or other area to give information and context. Set dates when the posters and QR codes will be displayed from and taken down by, and let the relevant people or organisations know these. We recommend keeping the codes up for around one week before removing them.

Safety considerations

You should ensure all activities are run in accordance with current government policy and local restrictions. As local restrictions can sometimes change frequently, be sure to check them when both planning and running your trail.

This trail uses QR codes, so responsibility is with parents to oversee children when scanning the codes and engaging with the material. The content behind the SU branded QR codes is child friendly and appropriate for all ages to engage with.

Before running the trail, ensure that you have both scanned the codes and watched the video content so that you are aware of what you are offering to your community and can answer any questions.





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The event

During the event, visit the park or walk the area regularly to check that posters and codes are still in place. Keep your eyes open to see whether families are engaging with the trail.

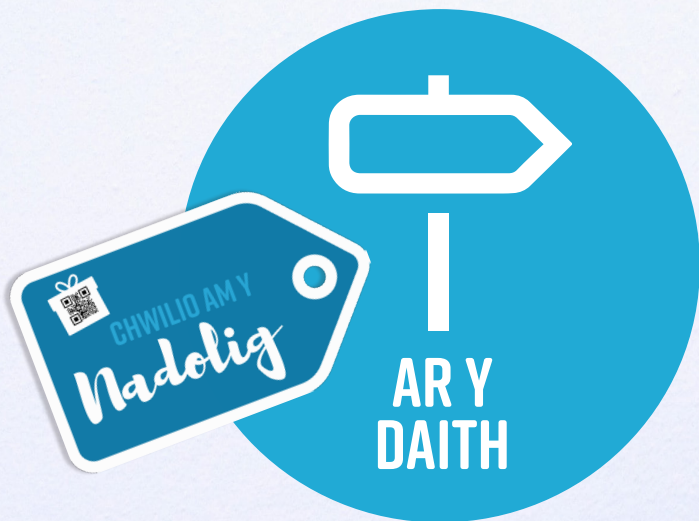
If possible, and social distancing guidelines allow, you could consider setting up a table at one of your clue locations to chat with people as they explore the trail.

To finish

Take down the posters and QR codes on the agreed date, and correspond with local authorities, businesses and landowners to thank them for the opportunity to have had these displayed in the local area.

Keep praying for the children and families who took part in the trail. Respond quickly to any responses received, such as emails and new followers on your social media channels etc.





**Beth ydy gwir
ystyr y Nadolig?**

Sganiwch y cod a
chychwyn ar yr antur!



▶ SGANIWCH FI

**Cysylltwch â'ch eglwys leol i gael rhagor o
fanylion:**



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Os gwelwch yn dda a wnewch chi sicrhau eich bod yn dilyn arweiniad cyfredol y
llywodraeth ynglŷn â phellhau cymdeithasol wrth i chi gymryd rhan yn y daith.





AR Y
DAITH



Da iawn! Rydych chi wedi dod o hyd i gylwi



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Sample permission letter

Copy and adapt this template for your own situation.

Subject: **[Your church name]** Chwilio am y Nadolig

Annwyl Gyfaill,

Mae gan **[enw eglwys]** gyfle newydd a chyffrous i gysylltu â phlant yn yr ardal leol. Taith gerdded yw 'Chwilio am y Nadolig' sy'n annog teuluoedd gyda phlant ifanc i chwilio am gliwiau yn yr ardal – posteri gyda chodau QR – er mwyn datrys cod, ac yna ddatgloi gofod rhithiol lle y gallant glywed am wir ystyr y Nadolig. Bydd y codau QR yn arwain teuluoedd at fideos sy'n cynnwys cliwiau a sialensau hwyliog i'w gwneud wrth iddynt chwilota. Rydym wedi cynnwys copi o'r posteri a thaflenni o'r codau QR er gwybodaeth.

Hoffai **[enw eglwys]** gael caniatâd i osod y posteri hyn yn/ar **[enw parc/ystâd/ardal leol/busnes]**. Er mwyn i'r daith weithio, bydd angen i bosteri gyda gwybodaeth a chodau QR gael eu gosod o gwmpas yr ardal er mwyn iddynt arwain at y cliwiau ar-lein.

Er mwyn caniatáu digon o amser i deuluoedd gymryd rhan, hoffem ni i'r posteri gael eu gosod am **[cyfnod y bydd y posteri a'r codau i fyny - e.e 1 wythnos]**. Bydd aelodau'r eglwys yn gosod y posteri ar **[dyddiad]** ac yna'n eu tynnu i lawr ar **[dyddiad]**. Rwyf yn gobeithio eich bod yr un mor gynhyrfus am y prosiect hwn ag yr ydym ni. Mae croeso i chi gysylltu â mi os y bydd gennych unrhyw gwestiynau neu bryderon.

Edrychaf ymlaen at glywed gennych chi,

[arwyddwyd ar ran yr eglwys]





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Ideas for using *In Search of Christmas* in other contexts:

Church

- Hold a Christmas trail event in your building or grounds, inviting families to book a slot to come and do the trail.
- Invite a few families to meet together online, find the clues and watch the videos together, followed by a discussion (see page 12).
- Ask church members to put QR codes on their front garden walls or gates and publicise the trail through community groups, community boards and community social media pages.

School

- Invite one class at a time to follow the trail in a school hall or around the school grounds using the school's tablet devices. The class could then watch the final video all together back in their classroom and the teacher could lead a discussion. Some sample questions are given on page 12. Possible extension ideas include:

- 1 *asking the class to produce their own news report or newspaper front page with the title 'Big fuss over a tiny baby! But who is he?'*
- 2 *inviting the children to retell the story from the point of view of one of the people in it*

- 3 *asking older children to produce a set of statements in response to the following: 'Christians believe that Christmas is...' or 'Christmas is special to Christians because...'*

- 4 *encouraging younger children to create a Christmas card that shows what Christians believe Christmas is all about.*

- If the class, bubble or group is unable to do the exploring or searching part of the trail activity, invite them to watch the videos in class together and then complete some of the activities above.
- Put the trail QR codes in your local area, working with the school to help set a homework task eg do the trail with your family or bubble (in line with local lockdown restrictions).
- If children are not in school due to illness or are self-isolating, the school could send the QR codes by email or even through the post for children to watch the videos at home.

At home

A family might choose to use the resource as part of an online Christmas celebration with family and friends spread across the country or even around the world! Different family members could each have a different QR code clue hidden somewhere in their house and take it in turns to find the clue and watch the video. They tell the other family members what they have discovered and use some of the questions on page 12 to discuss their clue. They could then crack the code together and watch the final video.





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Cwestiynau trafod cychwynnol 'Chwilio am y Nadolig'

Mae'r cwestiynau cychwynnol hyn er mwyn sbarduno trafodaeth ac i'w defnyddio ar ôl pob fideo. (Dewiswch y rhai a fydd fwyaf addas i'r plant rydych chi'n gweithio gyda nhw):

Mae angel yn ymweld â Mair:

- Cafodd Mair newyddion mawr, cyffrous! Ydych chi erioed wedi cael newyddion mawr, cyffrous? Beth oedd y newyddion a beth wnaethoch chi?
- Dywedodd angel wrth Mair ei bod am gael babi. Beth allai fod wedi mynd drwy feddwl Mair?
- Dywedodd yr angel wrth Mair am beidio â bod yn ofnus. Pam ydych chi'n meddwl y gallai hi fod wedi teimlo'n ofnus? (Cliw: Nid bob dydd mae Duw yn anfon angel i ymweld â chi!)
- Beth sy'n eich gwneud chi'n ofnus?
- Fyddwch chi'n siarad gyda Duw pan fyddwch yn ofnus? ('Gweddi' yw'r gair mae Cristnogion yn ei ddefnyddio am siarad gyda Duw!)

Mae'r bugeiliaid yn syn:

- Pam ydych chi'n meddwl bod y bugeiliaid wedi gadael pob dim er mwyn mynd i weld y babi?
- Pam ydych chi'n meddwl bod y babi yn arbennig?
- Pam mae Cristnogion yn meddwl bod Iesu yn faban arbennig?

- Beth ydych chi'n meddwl oedd yn mynd trwy feddyliau'r bugeiliaid wrth iddyn nhw sefyll yno ac edrych ar y babi yng nghanol y gwair a'r anifeiliaid?



Mae'r doethion yn penderfynu gweld y babi:

- Pam wnaeth y doethion benderfynu mynd ar y daith i weld y babi newydd?
- Beth ydy'r daith hiraf ydych chi wedi bod arni? Sut daith oedd hi?
- Ydych chi'n meddwl fod y doethion wedi dod ag anrhegion da? Ydy'r anrhegion hyn yn addas i fabi? Beth ydy arwyddocâd yr anrhegion hyn – beth oedden nhw'n ei olygu?
- Pan wnaethon nhw gyrraedd o'r diwedd a gweld y babi, tybed beth oedd y doethion yn ei feddwl wrth iddynt sefyll yno ac edrych arno fo?
- Beth ydych chi'n meddwl oedd meddyliau Mair a Joseff pan gyrhaeddodd y gwŷr doeth, pwysig hyn a rhoi anrhegion gwerthfawr i'w babi bach?





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Cwestiynau all gael eu defnyddio ar unrhyw adeg neu ar ôl y fideo olaf:

- Ydych chi'n gwybod beth ydy ystyr eich enw?
- Pa enwau neu deitlau sydd gennych neu hoffech chi eu cael?
- Yn y Beibl mae llawer o enwau neu deitlau eraill yn cael eu rhoi i Iesu: Tywysog Tangnefedd, Duw Gyda Ni (Imaniwel). Beth ydych chi'n meddwl ydy ystyr yr enwau hyn?
- Pam y byddai Duw yn dweud mai un o'i deitlau eraill yw 'Duw gyda ni'?
- Pa wahaniaeth ydych chi'n meddwl mae'n ei wneud i Gristnogion wybod fod Duw gyda nhw?
- Dywedwyd wrth Mair a Joseff eu bod i alw eu babi yn 'Iesu'. Mae hwn yn golygu 'gwareddwr' sydd yn air arall am 'achubwr'. Ydych chi'n gwybod pam y rhoddwyd yr enw hwn i'r babi? Oddi wrth beth ydych chi'n meddwl y mae angen i ni gael ein hachub?

