

WEEK 2

SMALL GROUP GUIDE



BIG IDEA

We can trust God's timing.

BIBLE

The Birth of John Foretold:
Luke 1:5–25; 2 Peter 3:8–15

QUESTIONS

- **Who came and spoke to Zechariah?** *An angel.*
- **What message did Zechariah receive?** *That he and Elizabeth would have a baby and he would be named John.*
- **What happened to Zechariah because he didn't believe it?** *He couldn't speak.*
- **Read 2 Peter 3:10. What does this verse tell you about God's timing?** *We can't predict God's timing.*
- **What makes waiting so hard?**
- **Why do you think it's easier to trust our own timing versus waiting on God's perfect timing in life?**
- **How can trusting God's timing change your relationship with God?**

ACTIVITY

Give each kid a blank wooden surfboard ornament or make your own using foam board. Provide materials for them to decorate with, like paint, neon permanent markers, foam stickers, glitter glue, and patterned washi tape. Make sure they write the Big Idea somewhere, too.

Just like surfers have to wait for the perfect wave, we can wait for God. **We can trust God's timing.**

Take this *Christmas Vacation* ornament home and put it on a tree, the fridge, or somewhere like that to help you remember what we talked about today!

MEMORY VERSE: "The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world." — John 1:9 (NIV)

Scan the code for a memory verse sign language tutorial video you can share with your families and volunteers!

