

Christmas Countdown advent calendar. This calendar is hung in an area where group activities occur. At the end of a mourning group activity, a participant removes the slip for the appropriate day and reads the task or gives the slip to a staff member to read aloud to all present. Each resident present is encouraged to participate in the activity.

The following are suggestions for daily involvement in Christmas. [The prompts below can be printed and cut apart and glued to cardstock, construction paper, gift tags, inside a Christmas Card or even Christmas paper.]

Pray for the hungry and homeless in your hometown.	Say "Hello" to each person you pass in the hall.
Make it a point to thank 4 people today.	Share a hug with someone who might not expect it.
Pray for the shelter animals.	Visit with a friend who is room bound.
Flash a smile to everyone you meet.	Send 3 holiday cards to family and/or friends.
Tell 4 people "Good Morning".	Sing a Christmas song for others to hear.
Thank God for Christmas Blessings.	Read The Christmas Story in the Bible.
Pray for the children.	Visit with someone who is not in your neighborhood.
Use your Bingo money to buy a treat for someone.	Sing to your roommate or to the person across the hall.
Visit with 3 managers and wish them a Merry Christmas.	Say something nice to each person in your group.
Visit with someone who is sitting alone.	Wish your CEO happy holidays.
Make a trip to the kitchen to thank the dietary staff.	Pray for your friends and family.
Read one short Christmas story (book).	Think about the role Mary played in Christmas (she was likely only 16 or 17 years old).