

Make a  
**"Thankful Garland"**

*What you need:*

- construction paper in a variety of fall colors
- pencil, marker or crayons
- yarn, ribbon or raffia
- scissors
- hole-punch
- spray bottle filled with water
- (optional) real leaves
- (optional) wooden or plastic beads, cereal with holes (Cheerios, Froot Loops, etc.) or any dried pasta with a hole



*What to do:*

1. Draw or trace leaf shapes onto construction paper.
2. Lay the construction paper sheets flat and spray the paper with water from the spray bottle until the paper is completely wet.
3. Crumple the wet paper into balls.
4. Open the crumpled paper and let the sheets dry flat.
5. When dry, cut out each leaf.
6. On each leaf, write the name of one person or one thing for which you are thankful.
7. Punch a hole in each leaf.
8. Lace the thankful leaves, beads, cereal and pasta onto the yarn, ribbon or raffia.
9. Tie the ends and hang your garland.



Here's a Story of a "Thankful Bunch."

We can rejoice and give thanks to God, just as many thankful people did in Bible times. Use the list of names to fill in the blank lines, and then use the leaf code to complete the verse.

**Names: Elijah, Naaman, Hannah, paralyzed man, Jairus, Moses, Rahab, Mary & Martha**



Led his people through the Red Sea.



Jericho fell, but she and her family were saved.



Her prayer was heard and she gave her son to God.



Ravens brought him food.



Cured of his leprosy, he worshiped God.



Their brother was raised from the dead.



Lowered through a roof, Jesus healed him.



Jesus brought his daughter back to life.

"SO WE ... W \_ LL G \_ VE Y \_ \_ \_ NKS F \_ EVE \_ ;  
 WE W \_ LL S \_ W F \_ Y \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ISE  
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Answers:  
 "SO WE ... WILL GIVE YOU THANKS FOREVER; WE WILL SHOW  
 FORTH YOUR PRAISE TO ALL GENERATIONS." Psalm 79:13, NKJV  
 Moses, Rahab, Naaman, Mary & Martha, paralyzed man, Jairus,