# Noah's Ark

#### Genesis 6-9

### (Pages 26-33 in the Beginners Bible)

After Adam and Eve left the garden, many people were born. The people kept doing bad things and they forgot about God. Except Noah. Noah loved God.

God was sad that everyone except Noah forgot about him. He told Noah about his plan to start over. "Make yourself an ark," God said. "Here's how." So Noah and his family began working on the ark.

When it was done God said, "Take your family and two of every animal into the ark." Animals creeped, crawled, hopped and galloped on to Noah's new boat. After everyone was inside, the rain began to fall. And fall. And fall. The ark rocked this way and that way on the rising water.

Finally, the rain stopped. Water covered everything. Everyone inside the ark was safe. Noah and his family were very happy.

One day, Noah sent a dove to find land. It flew and flew but never found any. So it came back. One week later Noah sent the dove out again. This time it brought him an olive leaf. Noah cheered, "It must have found land!"

The ark finally came to rest on top of a mountain. God told Noah to leave the ark. Noah and his family praised God. God put a beautiful rainbow in the sky. It was a sign of his promise never to flood the whole earth again.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

### Discussion questions:

- 1. What did God tell Noah to build? (An Ark.)
- 2. What is an Ark? (A boat that was very big.)

3. Why did God tell Noah to build the Ark? (God was going to cause a flood of water to cover the earth.)

4. Did Noah do what God asked? (Yes.)

- 5. Why do you think it is important to do what God asks us to do? (Allow for discussion.)
- 6. What did God tell Noah to put inside the ark? (Two kind of each animals, male and female.)
- 7. Once it stopped raining what type of bird did Noah send out? (A dove.)

8. God promised never to flood the entire earth again. What does God put in the sky to remind us of this promise? (*A rainbow.*)

9. Why do you think God chose a rainbow as a sign of God's promise?

### Craft ideas:

Noah builds the ark God's rainbow Noah listens

## Game ideas:

Noah's mixed up animals Noah says Colors of the rainbow Flying dove Rainbow race