

# Leader Preparation

**Week 1:** Select a modern-day news article on hope. Such stories might include:

- signs of developing peace in a troubled country
- a student or family overcoming great obstacles
- letters to the editor about hopeful situations in the community

**Week 2:** Select a modern-day news article on the spirit of peace. Such stories might include:

- people in our country or world who stand up for peace and justice
- a message of peace voiced by religious or political leaders of our day
- how victims of violence are now finding peace and comfort in their lives

**Week 3:** Select a modern-day news article on the spirit of joy. Such stories might include:

- accomplishments of local students
- creative and exciting wedding, anniversary, or birth announcements
- children and their innocent experiences of the wonders of the holidays

**Week 4:** Select a modern-day news article on the spirit of love. Such stories might include:

- parent-and-child relationships
- the efforts of nonprofit groups that assist the community
- people helping strangers