

TWIN HOLY BIRTHDAYS

“Holy Day commemorations hold a special position . . . The Tablets recited, and the prayers, stories, songs, and sentiments voiced . . . stir the heart and fill the soul with awe and wonder.” — The Universal House of Justice

Holy days are a time to honor important moments in the history of the Bahá'í Faith. They offer a chance to deepen our love for the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh, and to express that love through prayer, songs, art, and stories.

On November 9 and 10, Bahá'ís around the world will celebrate the Birth of the Báb and the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh. This is a wonderful

opportunity to share joyful fellowship with friends and neighbors. By inviting friends to join these gatherings, we give more people a chance to connect their hearts to the Faith and be uplifted by its teachings of peace.

Check out these ideas for decorations, activities, and treats that you can share with your community for the Twin Holy Birthdays.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



Make a simple wreath from a wire circle. Decorate the top with flowers and greenery. Tie pieces of ribbon to the bottom of the circle, with a clothespin attached to each. Clip a decorative piece of paper to each clothespin.

Write “get to know you” questions on the papers. Some examples: Where is home for you? What is one of your happiest memories? What is one of your favorite prayers or quotes? Invite guests to select a question from the wreath and ask it of several people during the event.

FESTIVE PHOTOS

Gather photos of community members, celebrations and activities from the past year, and beautiful locations in your area. Decorate clothespins with permanent markers or paint. Use them to attach the photos to strings of twine or lights.

Add greenery and flowers along the strings. Hang in rows on a wall to create a festive photo display.



MEMORIZATION DOMINOES

Write a quote from Bahá'u'lláh or the Báb on a sheet of paper. Cut the words apart and tape each word to a domino. Make enough sets for each team playing.

Give each group a copy of the full quote and invite them to take turns reading it aloud. Ask them to put the quotes away and use the dominoes to put the words in order from memory. Now practice the verse.



TASTY GARDEN

Create an edible garden of treats to share. Arrange pretzel squares so they don't touch. Place a spoonful of frosting or softened white chocolate at the center of each pretzel.

Put a small piece of colorful candy at the center, then arrange other candies around it to form a flower. Refrigerate before serving.



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