

# Valentine Card Paper Bag Holder

Throughout the Sunday school year, we teach our students to give and act charitably to others. Valentine's Day is the perfect opportunity for them to show classmates how much they value their friendship and Christian fellowship.



Decorate plain bags to be used as Valentine Card holders. Encourage students to bring Valentine cards for all of their classmates on Sunday, February 12 to put into their Valentine bags. (Teachers will want to remind students to bring Valentine cards, or make cards in Sunday school.) Be sure to make extra card holders for any students who are absent.

## Supplies

- Plain paper bags
- Colored construction paper
- Scissors
- Glue
- Colored markers
- **Optional:** Template (to follow)

## Instructions

1. Give each student a plain paper bag. Instruct them to write their names (English and/or Armenian) in large lettering at the TOP.
2. Allow students to decorate both sides of the bag. Here are some ideas - feel free to add your own!
  1. Cut out a large heart from red construction paper and glue to center of bag. In center of heart, **COPY:** *John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*
  2. Cut out a large circle from construction paper and glue to center of bag. Draw lines to make the Armenian eternity symbol. Underneath, **COPY:** *Love God eternally!*
  3. Cut out or draw an Armenian cross and glue to center of bag. **COPY:** *Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the LORD with all your heart,"*
  4. Cut out or draw a Horseshoe and write inside, "St. Sarkis, Patron Saint of Love" Glue paper Hearts around the horseshoe and write messages or scriptures inside of hearts such as:
    - *Christian Courage*
    - *Trust in God*
    - *Love God*
    - *John 15:12, "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."*
    - *1 Corinthians 13:4, "Love is patient, love is kind . . ."*

