Standard	Activity	Home Extension
II. Approaches to Learning A. EAGERNESS AND CURIOSITY 1. Shows curiosity and is eager to learn new things and have new experiences	Christmas Light Experiment – The children will participate in an experiment connecting Christmas lights to a 9V battery, learning about electricity while also learning about why we use Christmas lights on the tree.	Take your child for a stroll through your neighborhood, to look at the Christmas Lights. Discuss your favorite childhood Christmas memories of looking at lights, while also discussing the meaning of the Christmas lights. Psalm 19:1 "The Heavens tell of the glory of God. The skies display his marvelous craftmanship."
VI. Scientific Inquiry A. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY THROUGH EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY 3. Uses understanding of causal relationships to act on social and physical environments Benchmark a. Makes simple predictions and reflects on what caused something to happen Benchmark b. Participates in and discusses simple experiments	Growing Crystal Ornaments-The children will shape their own ornaments and learn how to grow them into crystals! We will discuss how ornaments once signified the forbidden fruit of Adam and Eve in plays during medieval times.	Create your own Christmas ornaments with your child, while doing so discuss with your family how Adam and Eves disobedience made us all sinners, but Jesus's sacrifice saved us.
VI. Scientific Inquiry B. LIFE SCIENCE 1. Demonstrates knowledge related to living things and their environments Benchmark c. Explores basic life cycles (e.g., plants grow from seeds and hatching eggs)	Life Cycle of the Christmas Tree – In circle we will hold a discussion and learn about the life cycle of the Christmas tree.	Take your child to your local Christmas tree farm and explore the trees to see the different stages, from the smallest saplings to full grown cut trees. There is a Christmas Tree Farm right down the road from the center, Lazy Lay Acres.