

## April Showers/May Flowers Wreath

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### You will need:

a recycled cereal box	a pipe cleaner
recycled pressed paper egg carton	glue or hot glue ( <i>parents have to help with hot glue!</i> )
17 wooden clothespins	paint and paintbrush
12 buttons	a hole punch
Yarn or string	a marker

### Directions:

- 1) Carefully cut a wreath shape (like a donut) from your cereal box. You'll be using the center circle, too. Trim the center piece a little bit to make it just a little smaller.
- 2) Cut out 5 umbrella shapes from the box.
- 3) Paint the outside wreath shape and the clothespins green.
- 4) Paint the center circle and umbrellas in bright colors. Set all aside to let the paint dry completely.
- 5) Cut the egg 'cups' from a paper egg carton. Use scissors to snip around the edges several times to make flower petals. You can trim the edges to make them look more like a flower petal if you'd like. Spread them out a little bit and paint them in bright colors. Let the paint dry completely.
- 6) Glue your flowers to the end of 12 clothespins, and glue a button in the middle of each flower.
- 7) Cut a pipe cleaner into short lengths and make hook shapes. Glue these to the umbrella shapes as their handles. Glue the umbrellas to the end of the remaining clothespins.
- 8) On the center circle, write the words "April Showers Bring May Flowers" and on the back, "I will cause showers to come down; they will be showers of blessing. Ezekiel 34:26". Punch a hole in the top of the center circle.
- 9) Punch 2 holes into the top of your wreath shape (see below). Tie a piece of string or yarn to the top hole for hanging the wreath, and one for hanging the inside circle.
- 10) Use your clothespin flowers and umbrellas to decorate your spring wreath!

