God’s Big Boat

The world God had made was no longer a good place to live in.

People were mean and nasty and evil.

They didn’t love God

And they didn’t love each other.

So God decided to **rescue** them.

He told a man named Noah to build a big boat.

And, to everyone’s surprise, Noah said ‘Yes!’

Noah built God’s boat right there –

Miles and miles and miles from the sea.

God brought lots and lots and lots of animals to live on his boat

 With Noah and his family.

But no-one else wanted to live on God’s boat:

 Everyone thought Noah and his family were the silliest of sillies.

Until it started to rain…

 And rain…

 And rain.

God shut the door to his boat

With Noah and his family and the animals safe inside.

And God kept them safe while he washed the meanness and the nastiness and the evil-ness away.

After a looooooong time of rain and a loooooooong time of waiting

 God brought Noah and his family and the animals to dry land.

They could start a new life there

Because God had **rescued** them.

And God showed them the rainbow

 As a promise that he would never flood the whole earth again.