

Orientation for the Leader

Welcome to the joy of leading preschool children. As a leader you need to commit to setting a high standard. Here are 5 principles to help you achieve that goal.

1. Personal

In order to share Jesus with others, even small children, you must have a personal connection with Jesus Christ. Personal devotional time, focus on prayer and openness to the Spirit's leading are all crucial to being a master teacher.

2. Excellence

Take your leadership responsibility as a God given challenge. Be reliable, and prepared. The teachers most likely not give more than you expect of them. Set a high standard by modeling behavior. God has given you these children for a very short period of time, so use it well. "If the teacher is properly prepared, every moment can be used to profit. The active minds of the children should be kept constantly employed." *Counsels on Sabbath School Work* p. 117

3. Organization

Have all the materials for the program readily available. There will always be last minute emergencies. You must be prepared to have a substitute for yourself or one of the teachers. All supplies should be kept at the meeting location, so the program will not come to a halt.

4. Nurturing

The best prepared leader will not have success with young children if she do not show a loving spirit. Get to know the children in your class and form a warm bond with them.

5. Parent Interaction

Do not be discouraged if all your parent do not take the time to work with their children at first. Be diplomatic and non-confrontational in explaining the importance of their role in the program. If they repeatedly come unprepared, encourage the teachers to call them 3-4 days before the next meeting. Remember that alienating the parent will only cause them not to bring their child at all.

We have tried to make your job as stress free as possible. All the lesson plans you will need are found in this manual. A list the supplies you will need is on the following page. Make sure you read everything thoroughly, so you are not caught off guard. If you find any mistakes or have suggestions for improvement, please e-mail me at Lyndene@wrightpublications.org. May God bless you as you dedicate your time to teaching of these precious children.

"It would be better for him if a millstone were hung about his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones." Luke 17:2

Program Overview

4:15-4:25 Opening

Flag Salute

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America,
And to the republic for which it stands
One nation, under God, indivisible
With liberty and justice for all.

Opening Prayer

Song-"Into My Heart"

Into my heart, into my heart, Come into my heart Lord Jesus.
Come in today, come in to stay, Come into my heart Lord Jesus.

Song-"Discovery Theme Song"

We are the Discovery Club, We're learning every day
We want to be like Jesus, at home at church at play.

Discovery/Adventurer Pledge

Because Jesus loves me, I will always do my best.

Discovery/Adventurer Law (Song)

Be obedient, be pure, be true, be king, be respectful,
Be attentive, be helpful, be cheerful, be thoughtful, be reverent.

Worship Story-On Law (See Worship Story Leader Guide)

Dismiss to Classes to put attendance bee on chart

4:25-4:40 Class Time (See Individual Schedules)

4:40-4:50 Game Time (See Game Time Leader Guide)

4:50-4:55 Bathroom Break

4:55-5:10 Class Time (See Individual Schedules)

5:10-5:20 Bible Story (See Schedule)

5:20-5:40 Class Time (See Individual Schedules)

5:40-5:45 Prayer Requests

Song

Stand up tall for Jesus, Kneel down by your chair
Fold your hands for Jesus, Close your eyes in prayer.

Closing Prayer (End with Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, In earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, And the power, And the Glory forever. Amen.

General Supply List

General Program

Leader's Manual

Printable from wrightpublications.org Free

American Flag (2' x3')

Available from many vendors

Adventurer Flag (2' x 3')

From Adventsource.org \$24.95 (may also be available from your local conference.)

Flag Poles and stands for the above flags

Available from many vendors

Adventurer Pledge and Law

Just Print and Post (no need to buy banners, save them for the Adventurer Club)

Busy Bee Felt Set by Little Folks Felts

Available from www.TheFeltSource.com \$9.95. or on occasion at your local ABC.

Attendance Charts—One per child

Printable from this guide or can be personalized at wrightpublications.org

Bee Stickers

Available from www.teacherstorehouse.com \$1.99 for packs of 75 stickers.

Poster of the Lord's Prayer

Just print and post or buy a poster from a local Christian Book Store

Game Time

General Supplies for multiple areas

Chalk, Rope, Paper plates, Construction paper

Bean Bag Games

Bean Bags 3-4 per child in your group (can be homemade or purchased)

Running Games

Small Basket per child (you can use your Sabbath School baskets for this)

Colored blocks (Have one of the parents bring these from home)

Yarn

Ball Games

Nerf or Beach balls (one for every 2 children in your group)

Jumping Games

6-8 hula hoops

Stop and Go Games

"Steering Wheels" cut from paper plated 1 per child

Large red, yellow, and green circles cut from construction paper

Hopping or Leapfrog Games

No additional supplies

Obstacle course

See recommendations, can use whatever you have available

Don't buy any supplies for this game

Miscellaneous Games

Balloons, Paper Plates, Paint stirring sticks

Holiday Games

Small pumpkins (one per child)

Seasonal shapes cut from construction paper

Bible Story Time

My Bible Friends by Etta Degering (currently out of print check Amazon or used book store)

5 volume set of 4 stories per book (1977)

10 volume set of 2 stories per book (1962)

For the Children

Children's Uniforms

Dress Uniforms: Available from Frenchtoast.com

Girls: Skort (French Toast #1070)

White Blouse (French Toast #1040)

Additional Items: white tights and navy blue, or black dress shoes

Boys: Pants (French Toast #1004)

White Shirt (French Toast #1021)

Additional Items: navy blue or black socks and dress shoes

Sash: Available from adventsource.org

T-shirts and Sweatshirts: Available from pathfindershirts.com

Uniform Patches, Scarves and Slides, Pins and Award Patches Call me for current availability

Library

The following books are part of the curriculum. You may purchase a set for the church as a lending library, or give the book list to the parents to buy their own.

General Books used all three years

My Bible Storybook

adventistbookcenter.com

Sabbath is My Favorite Day

adventistbookcenter.com

Little Lamb Books

Mr. Squirrel's Treasure/Ellen's Miracle Horse

adventistbookcenter.com

Little Baa

christianbook.com

Curious Cubs Books

Pokey the Runaway Bear

adventistbookcenter.com

Packy the Runaway Elephant

adventistbookcenter.com

Sally the Runaway Monkey

adventistbookcenter.com

Where's Moo Cow?/Tig's Tale

adventistbookcenter.com (currently out of print)

Eager Beaver Books

Benny the Beaver

adventistbookcenter.com

Humpy, The Moose

adventistbookcenter.com

Chipmunk Willie

adventistbookcenter.com

Campmeeting Angel/The Girl that Giggled

adventistbookcenter.com (currently out of print)

Sample Attendance Sheet



Put Name Here

See Templates for printing