



FAMILY CHURCH

FOR KIDS



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WELCOME INTRODUCTION

Pastor,

We realized that our churches could use a **Quick** and **Easy** way to effectively minister to the families with children in their churches.

This is why we have created the free 4-week, **"Family Service for Kids"** series, created especially to be used during this time when families are required to sit together during services.

Our Family Ministry Specialists have prepared 4 complete, plug-n-play service outlines on the Fruit of the Spirit. These services combine video elements with teaching segments that provide everything you need for a powerful service guaranteed to minister to everyone in attendance.

With the assistance of one or two of your kids ministry leaders, Sunday School teachers, or parents, you will share a message that your families will LOVE and REMEMBER!



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SAMPLE SERVICE ORDER

Each week you will have an order of service that will reflect what you see below. You can remove or add pieces as it fits your church's service. These are only guidelines.

1 3 MINS	PRAISE Here we will list songs we believe will fit the lesson and make it easy for you to engage kids in praise.
2 2 MINS	OFFERING (VIDEO) Each week will be an opportunity to give to BGMC. See the resources folder for each week's video sources.
3 4 MINS	LESSON INTRO (VIDEO) A video will be provided each week as a fun way to intro the lesson points. See the resources folder for each week's video sources.
4 3 MINS	MEMORY VERSE (SLIDES) Each week we suggest a Bible verse for kids to learn. You can use the provided activity each week to teach this to your kids.
5 7 MINS	BIBLE LESSON (TEACHING) Use the lesson provided to teach kids a Bible story each week.
6 4 MINS	OBJECT LESSON (TEACHING) Use the provided script to teach kids, in a memorable way, the main point of that week's lesson.
7 3 MINS	WORSHIP Here we will list songs we believe will fit the lesson and make it easy for you to engage kids in worship.
8 4 MINS	ALTAR/BLESSING (TEACHING) Listening to God's voice and responding to teaching is important. Each week this section will include some creative ways to lead kids and families in prayer. You will end with a special blessing for all your congregation.

- Each piece of the sample service order is intended to be an individual short segment.
- If you have one or two leaders who can each take one segment, that is preferable. Think VBS.
- We recommend the lead pastor teach the Bible lesson or lead the altar response.
- Empower parents by letting them know this service will be a fun interactive kids-oriented service that will minister to parents and give them insight to disciple their kids throughout the week.

**LET'S
GET
STARTED!**

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

WEEK 04 **PATIENCE**

Patience is waiting with a good attitude, whether we're waiting on circumstances or on other people. Are we there yet? How much longer? Would you hurry up? When we ask questions like these, we show others that we need more patience in our lives. True patience takes time to develop, but our patience will grow and get easier as we get closer to God. By spending more time praying, reading the Bible, and asking the Holy Spirit to lead our lives, we gain patience.



SERVICE ORDER

PATIENCE

1 3 MINS	PRAISE
2 2 MINS	OFFERING (VIDEO) 1. "BGMCMC-1min-Promo.mp4" 2. "Offering Video.mp4"
3 4 MINS	LESSON INTRO (VIDEO) "Lesson Intro PATIENCE Web Version"
4 3 MINS	MEMORY VERSE (SLIDES) "But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently." - Romans 8:25
5 7 MINS	BIBLE LESSON (TEACHING) MARY & MARTHA WAIT PATIENTLY John 11:1-7,11-14
6 4 MINS	OBJECT LESSON (TEACHING) Waiting Patiently *Lesson includes directions that take place throughout the service
7 3 MINS	WORSHIP
8 4 MINS	ALTAR/BLESSING (TEACHING) God gives me PATIENCE!

PRAISE

Here are song titles we recommend. Consider purchasing these songs and using them for praise.

JumpStart3 "GALATIANS 5:22-23"

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE SPECIAL DEAL ON THE LAST PAGE!

Praise songs can be fun for the whole family, especially when the focus is on how kids praise. Encourage your congregation to participate and have fun praising Jesus alongside their children.

OFFERING

Your church may want to have their normal "tithe & offering" time, however, we encourage pastors to create a special moment to involve kids. In the resource folder you will find two videos that highlight Boys and Girls Missionary Challenge (BGMC.)

1. **"BGMC-1min-Promo.mp4"**
2. **"Offering Video.mp4"**

LESSON INTRO

See the resources folder for video component:

"Lesson Intro PATIENCE Web Version"

MEMORY VERSE

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

"But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently." - **Romans 8:25**

SAY: The Holy Spirit gives us people who help us develop patience. He helps us wait without complaining, and He helps us be patient with others. But more importantly, the Holy Spirit helps us himself. He works in us to help us be more patient. That's why patience is part of the Fruit of the Spirit.

Lead the kids in saying the memory verse.

SAY: Let's learn our memory verse by playing a game.

YOU WILL NEED

- Media slides

GETTING READY

For this activity, have the provided slides loaded into your presentation software.

Directions:

1. Split the room into three different sections and assign each section a color. (*Blue, Red, Green*)
2. When their color is shown, that group will stand and shout that section of the memory verse (*When the verse is white, everyone reads*)
3. Make sure to only shout the part of the verse that is in YOUR color!

BIBLE
LESSON

MARY & MARTHA WAIT PATIENTLY

John 11:1-7,11-14

Invite a boy to the front of the room and give him the ticktock sign.

Say: When I say “Ticktock,” our volunteer will tip the sign to the right for “tick” and to the left for “tock.” Then all of us will say, “Ticktock,” just like a clock. Let’s practice. *Ticktock.*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for “Ticktock.” Repeat several times.

Say: Our Bible story is from the Book of John. It’s about two women named Mary and Martha. They were friends of Jesus and they had to wait a long time for help. I need two girls to help tell the story.

Invite two girls to the front of the room. Have them stand at center stage to play Mary and Martha.

Say: Mary, Martha, and their brother Lazarus were close friends with Jesus. They spent a lot of time with Jesus. They loved Jesus and Jesus loved them.

Say: One day, Lazarus became very sick. Mary and Martha sent a message to Jesus, telling Him that Lazarus was sick. They wanted Jesus to come and heal their brother. After the sisters sent the message, they waited. *Ticktock.*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for “Ticktock.” Have the two girls sit down and pretend to wait.

Say: Do you think it was easy for Mary and Martha to wait patiently for Jesus to come? *(Group response)* Do you think they wanted Him to come quickly? *(Group response)*

Say: Lazarus was very sick. He was so sick that soon after Mary and Martha sent for Jesus, Lazarus died. How do you think the sisters felt? *(Group response)*

Have the two girls look sad.

Say: After Lazarus died, Mary and Martha still waited for Jesus to come. *Ticktock.*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for “Ticktock.”

YOU WILL NEED

- Ticktock sign
- Two chairs

GETTING READY

- Print ticktock sign
- Place chairs at front of room

Say: Sometimes, bad things happen to people like Martha and Mary, people who love Jesus. Anyone can be patient when things are going well, but it takes both our choice and God's help to be patient when things go terribly wrong.

Say: Sometimes people pace while they wait. Maybe Mary and Martha paced.

Have the two girls pace back and forth on the stage.

Say: Do you think this is a patient way to wait? *(Group response)* Pacing is not bad if you keep a good attitude. But if you have a bad attitude, you aren't showing patience.

Say: Another thing people do while they wait is hum or sing.

Have the two girls hum.

Say: Do you think humming or singing is a patient way to wait? *(Group response)* Singing is a great way to wait patiently. Maybe Mary and Martha sang as they waited for Jesus.

Say: Maybe Mary and Martha chose to pray while they waited.

Have the two girls pretend to pray.

Say: Is this a patient way to wait? *(Group response)* Prayer is always a good idea.

Say: Some people complain while they wait. They say things like, "How much longer?" and "Why hasn't He come yet?"

Have the two girls say "How much longer?" and "Why hasn't He come yet?"

Say: Does complaining show patience? *(Group response)* No. Complaining doesn't show a good attitude.

Say: We don't know much about how Mary and Martha waited, but we do know they waited for days! *Ticktock.*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for "Ticktock."

Say: Finally on the fourth day after Lazarus was buried, Jesus arrived. Do you think Mary and Martha were angry with Jesus? *(Group response)* Do you think they complained that He was late? *(Group response)*

Say: Mary and Martha had spent a lot of time with Jesus. They had been changed by their time with Him. The Holy Spirit was working in their lives, helping them develop patience.

Say: When Jesus arrived, Martha went out to meet Him. She was patient with her response to Jesus. She said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you anything you ask."

Have one girl move to the far side of the stage and pretend to speak to Jesus.

Say: Wow! Instead of yelling at Jesus, Martha continued to put her trust in Him. She still believed in Jesus.

Say: Then Martha went and told Mary that Jesus wanted to see her.

Have the Martha volunteer move back to stand near the Mary volunteer. Then have the Mary volunteer move to the far side of the stage.

Say: When Mary saw Jesus, she fell at His feet crying. She said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” She believed in Jesus’ power too.

Have the Mary volunteer kneel and pretend to cry.

Say: Mary and Martha may have been upset, but they didn’t use mean words or show a bad attitude even though they had waited a long time. *Ticktock.*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for “Ticktock.”

Say: Mary and Martha didn’t know that Jesus had a plan. He knew all along that Lazarus would die. Jesus had waited for Lazarus to die so He could do something very special.

Say: Jesus went to the cave tomb where Lazarus had been buried and told the people there to roll away the stone. The people moved the stone, and Jesus called out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

Say: What do you think happened? *(Allow responses.)* The most amazing thing happened! Lazarus, who had been dead for four days, came out of the tomb. He was wrapped in his burial cloths, but he was alive!

Have the girls jump up and down and cheer.

Say: Mary and Martha’s patience had paid off. Their brother had been brought back from the dead. Jesus had answered their request, just not with the timing they had expected. And certainly not in the way they expected!

Say: Sometimes when we ask God to do things for us, it’s hard to wait for Him to answer. That’s when we have to practice patience. Patience always pays off! *Ticktock!*

Have the volunteer tip the sign to the right and left for “Ticktock.”

**OBJECT
LESSON**

WAITING PATIENTLY

Say: Speaking of being patient, you've all patiently waited to see what's inside our gift box.

Hold up the wrapped gift.

Say: Has it been difficult to wait to see what's inside our special surprise? *(Group response)* Do you want to find out? *(Group response)*

Shake the box and listen to it.

Say: It's hard to tell what's inside. It sounds like many different things. I wonder what it could be. *(Shake the box again.)* What do you think it is? *(Allow responses.)*

Say: Would you like me to open it? *(Group response)* I think you've all waited long enough. Let's open this box.

Open the box. Show the rest of the group what's inside.

Say: Our gift was holding a treat the whole time. What a great surprise! I want to thank you all for waiting so patiently. Give yourself a hand for showing patience.

Have gloved ushers hand out snack bags.

YOU WILL NEED

- Individually wrapped snacks, such as Tootsie Roll Pops (one per kid plus extras)
- Box large enough to contain all the snacks
- Gift wrapping paper
- Transparent tape

GETTING READY

Make sure and display the wrapped gift box on stage and refer to it many times throughout the service. Place snacks into individual bags while wearing gloves. Seal and wrap the box with gift wrapping paper. Have gloved ushers hand out snack bags.

WORSHIP

Kari Jobe "The More I Seek You"

C.S. Lewis said: "It is in the process of being worshipped that God communicates His presence to men."

One of the 8 Goals of Kids Ministry is to raise up children who are "Responsive in Worship." When we lay the groundwork that the Holy Spirit can walk on, He will draw the hearts of the children to Jesus. We encourage you to schedule a dedicated worship time for your kids to connect with the Spirit of God.

ALTAR & BLESSING

GOD GIVES ME PATIENCE...

Action Steps:

1. Write a letter to God with 3 examples of where you need more patience.
2. Pray that God will help you as you try to be more patient.
3. Mail your letter to God by placing it in the mailbox.

Contactless Option:

- Provide supplies at each seat.
- Have the mailbox open so people don't have to touch it.

YOU WILL NEED

- Mailbox
- Paper
- Pens

GETTING READY

- Place a piece of paper and a pen or pencil at each seat before service
- Set a "mailbox" out for everyone to put their letters in

BLESSING

What is a blessing?

Blessings speak words of life and reinforce the promises God has made in Scripture. At the end of the service, read this blessing over your people.

"May you know God's timing is perfect, and He has a perfect plan for you. May He give you the strength to wait patiently for His plan."



Jump Start 3 has created a great song to teach your families all 9 of the Fruit of the Spirit.

They have created a special deal just for our Family Service users.

This video bundle includes lyric videos and American Sign language hand motions. Your families will be singing and dancing and having a great time while they hide God's Word in their hearts! We are offering this at a 66% special for your relaunch service!

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This lesson is adapted from the "Fruit of the Spirit" Faith Case curriculum. Want to continue this series? If you wish to explore more, visit myhealthychurch.com.

This video-based children's church curriculum, developed by children's pastors, consists of ten fast-paced, easy-to-lead sessions. The kit comes complete with unforgettable videos, games, object lessons, Bible stories, songs, and kid-friendly statements that make each fruit easy to remember.





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