

FAMILY CHURCH FOR KIDS

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ENGAGING KIDS THROUGH OUR ADULT SERVICES PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN OUR FAMILIES WHICH WILL LEAD TO A STRONGER FOUNDATION FOR OUR CHURCHES AS A WHOLE.

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, "<u>Family Service for Kids</u>" 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.

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.
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.
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 <u>responding</u> 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.

STARTED.

LET'S

GE

FRUIT OF THE **SPIRIT**

WEEK03 PEACE

Peace is trusting God to take care of us when we feel worried or fearful. Have you ever been afraid of the dark or a bad storm? Has someone you cared about been very sick? No matter what scary or bad thing we're facing, God can give us peace. Trusting God for peace takes practice. Even Jesus' disciples needed to be reminded not to worry or be afraid, so they could have peace.





SERVICE ORDER PEACE 3 MINS PRAISE **OFFERING** (VIDEO) **2** 2 MINS 1. "BGMC-1min-Promo.mp4" 2. "BGMC Critical Needs Fund.mp4" LESSON INTRO (VIDEO) 4 MINS "Lesson Intro PEACE Web Version" MEMORY VERSE (SLIDES) 3 MINS "The LORD is with me: I will not be afraid." - Psalm 118:6 **7** MINS **BIBLE LESSON** (TEACHING) Jesus Calms the Storm Mark 4:35-41 **OBJECT LESSON** (TEACHING) 4 MINS How can we have PEACE? 3 MINS **WORSHIP** ALTAR/BLESSING (TEACHING) 4 MINS



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 SPECAIL 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.



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.) The first is a quick explanation of what BGMC is, and the second is a fun video to play while kids give.

- 1. "BGMC-1min-Promo.mp4"
- 2. "BGMC Critical Needs Fund.mp4"



See the resources folder for video component:

"Lesson Intro PEACE Web Version"



MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

"The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid." - Psalm 118:6

SAY: Our memory verse helps us remember where our peace comes from when we feel afraid or worried. Let's learn it together.

Lead the kids in saying the memory verse.

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

Directions:

Share the verse slide with church

Pick out one volunteer

Blindfold the volunteer

Have the church shout out instructions to the volunteer on how and where to tape the sections of the verse

Continue until the verse is complete or the volunteer gives up

YOU WILL NEED

- Putty or tape
- Blindfold (or ask participant to keep their eyes closed)
- Memory Verse broken into sections
- Memory Verse slide

For this activity you

GETTING READY

will need a place on stage where the memory verse can be taped up. A volunteer will attempt to tape the verse up correctly while blindfolded.



JESUS CALMS THE STORM

Mark 4:35-41; Philippians 4:6-7

Say: Today's Bible story shows God can take any out-of-control situation and bring peace. He is stronger and more powerful than any problem we face.

Say: I need everyone's help to tell our story.

Divide the room into two sections, a right and a left section.

Say: I need the right side of the room to be the wind. When I give you the signal, you'll make sounds like the wind by blowing really hard into your hand. You can wave your other arm in the air like it's being blown back and forth.

Say: But when I say "Quiet!" you have to stop everything and sit quietly. Let's see how you all do.

Have the right side of the room make the sounds of the wind. See how loud they can get. Then say, "Quiet!" to cue them to stop. You may repeat this a few times to practice.

Say: The left side of the room will be my waves. You will need to make splashing noises. You can sway from side to side like the waves on a big sea.

Say: But when I say, "Quiet!" you have to stop everything and sit quietly. Let's see how you do.

Have the left side of the room make splashing sounds. See how loud they can get. Then say, "Quiet!" to cue them to stop. You may repeat this a few times to practice.

Say: As you may have already guessed, our story has a big storm in it. Jesus had been teaching people about God. But then it was time to go somewhere else.

Say: Jesus and His disciples left the crowds of people behind. They got into a boat and started to sail to the other side of a very large lake, the Sea of Galilee.

Say: Jesus was tired from teaching the people. He found a cushion and fell asleep in the back of the boat.

YOU WILL NEED

Chair

OPTIONAL

Place the chair in the front of the room.

Sit on a chair at the front of the room. Pantomime sleeping.

Say: As the boat crossed the lake, a very strong wind began to blow.

Have the right side of the room make the wind sounds. They should continue as you keep telling the story.

Say: Then the waves began rise and fall. They crashed over the side of the boat.

Have the left side of the room make the splashing sounds. They should continue as you keep telling the story. You will probably have to speak loudly to be heard.

Say: The wind and waves tossed the little boat around. The boat began to fill up with water. Jesus' friends were afraid. They worried that their boat might sink. They woke up Jesus and said, "Don't You care that we're going to drown?"

Get up and stand up on the chair.

Say: Jesus stood up. He looked at the wind and waves and said, "Quiet! Be still!"

Have all the kids become quiet and still.

Say: The wind and waves stopped. Everything became completely calm. (*Pause to listen to the quiet.*) Can you guess what Jesus did next? (*Group response*) He turned to His friends and asked, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

Say: Jesus' friends had the most powerful person in the universe in their boat, and they were still afraid of the storm. When they saw Jesus calm the storm, they were amazed. Maybe they began to realize that Jesus has power to overcome any problem that came their way.

Step down from the chair.

Say: Jesus brought peace to His friends that night. He still brings peace to His friends. Just as He has power to stop a storm, He has power to help you with whatever problems you face.

Say: When you pray, Jesus may work an instant miracle in your life like He did in our story. He may choose to take away your problems just as He chose to stop the storm.

Say: But if He doesn't take away the problems, He will still give you His peace if you ask.



HOW CAN WE HAVE PEACE?

Say: I have a few things here that can help us have peace. Let's figure out how these things can help us have peace instead of fear or worry.

Hold up the flashlight (or nightlight).

Say: How can this help you have peace? (*Allow responses.*) This helps us not be afraid in the dark. Having light helps us feel more peaceful.

Hold up the cell phone and the teddy bear.

Say: How can these help you have peace? (*Allow responses.*) These can help us when we feel alone. Having someone to talk to or something to hug can help us feel more peaceful.

Hold up or project the pictures of a kid and an adult.

Say: How can people help you have peace? (Allow responses.) Friends and brothers and sisters can be good company so we don't feel alone and so we don't think about our problems.

Say: Safe adults can protect us from things that make us feel afraid. They can talk to us when we feel worried and help us feel less worried.

Hold up a Bible.

Say: How can a Bible help us have peace? (Allow responses.) The Bible is God's Word. It reminds us that God never leaves us. He is always with us to help us if we'll just ask.

Say: These things (gesture to the items you previously displayed) are all good, but the peace they give us doesn't last the way God's peace does. He is always with us. He has more power than any of these things. He cares about us. His peace never runs out or goes away.

Say: The Bible tells us two things we can do when we need peace in our lives—pray for God to help us and trust God no matter what.



- Flashlight or nightlight
- Cellphone
- Teddy bear/ blanket
- Picture of an adult
- Picture of a kid
- Bible

GETTING READY

Display the items on a table at the front of the room.



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.



YOU WILL NEED

- Prayer Station Response sign on the wall or easel
- String or rope that you can tie knots in that can be easily undone

GETTING READY

- Set up prayer station sign/foam board on easel
- Cut rope into 6-8 inch pieces
- Tie 2-3 knots in each rope

GOD GIVES ME PEACE...

Action Steps:

- 1. Hold the worry knot rope as you read Psalm 118:6.
- 2. Untie each knot as you ask God help you not to worry about things.
- 3. Ask God to give you His peace. Take home the rope as a reminder that God gives PEACE.

Contactless Option:

- Provide ropes at each seat.
- Show response statements on screen.

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 our trustworthy God bring you peace, comfort, and joy this week! He loves you and can always be trusted with all of your needs."

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