

REVIVING SUNDAY SCHOOL

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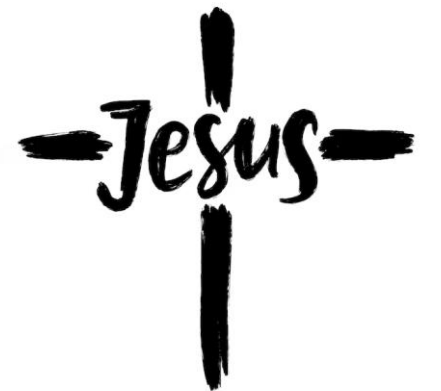
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PURPOSE

- The Sunday School Department is another branch of the Christian Education Ministry.
- It is in the primary Bible training arm of the church and a trainer of Bible scholars and theorist.
- The Sunday School Department has set a goal to provide a ministry for strengthening the family unit.
- Its Motto is: “A Child saved is a soul saved, plus a life”

QUESTIONS??????

- Does your church have:
 - Sunday School?
 - Sunday School Superintendent?
 - If not, please share why.
 - Are you interested in establishing a Sunday School Department in your Local District?



WHY DOES SUNDAY SCHOOL EXIST?

- To build faith foundations!
- To create community!
- To help students apply faith to real life?



WHY IS SUNDAY SCHOOL IMPORTANT



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL
LESSON:
WHY IS IT
IMPORTANT?**

GET TO KNOW HIM

Why Sunday School is Important?

- Sunday School is important for providing focused Bible teaching,
- Foster spiritual growth,
- Build community through fellowship,
- Develop character with virtues like kindness and honesty,
- Offer a safe space for questions, helping individuals of all ages connect with faith in a tangible, interactive way that supports family learning and service

**GOD
FIRST.**

HOW TO REVIVE YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

- Canvas the local Community on a regular basis. (Talking to people, inviting people to Sunday school)
- Organize a community Vacation Bible School to include the summer months when the children are out of school.
- After church service on Sunday, talk with people, invite members who normally do not attend Sunday School to visit your class on the upcoming Sunday.
- Meet with young parents who have young children and convince them of the value of Sunday School for youth.
- Include the new technology such as computers, I-Pads, TV, White boards, to attract the younger generation.
- Include continental breakfast as part of the Sunday School ministry.
- Have a Sunday School block party within the church community area.
- Host an Annual Sunday School Banquet and also an Annual Sunday School Brunch.
- Have a talent show to include youth and adults

SUNDAY SCHOOL SMART GOALS

- **STRENGTHENING PARTICIPATION**
- **REACHING AND RETAINING OUR YOUTH**
- **SUPPORTING TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP**
 - **IMPROVING COMMUNICATION**

“REACHING TEACHING AND GROWING TOGETHER”

TECHNOLOGY

- CREATE A FACEBOOK PAGE
- ESTABLISH A TEXT THREAD TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMBERS.
- ENGAGE WITH SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS
- CREATE GRAPHIC DESIGNS TO ANNOUNCE EVENTS AT YOUR LOCAL CHURCH

TECHNOLOGY/ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

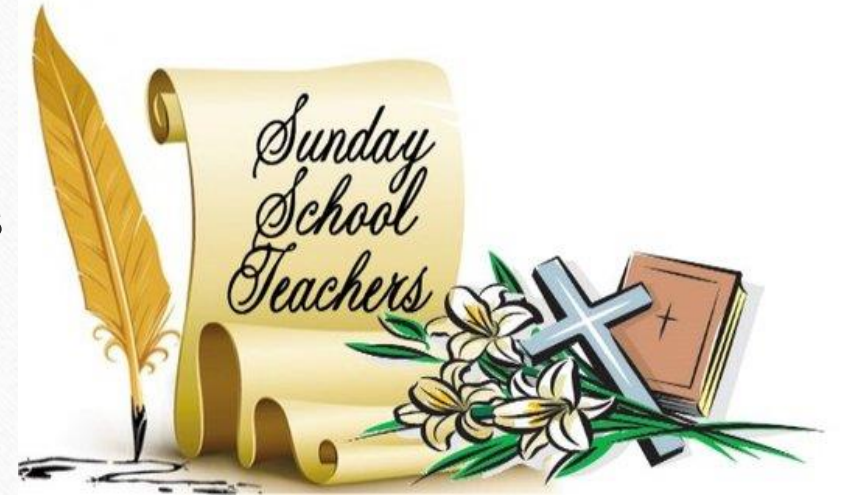
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- Make a computer-generated card to send as “we missed you today” messages (have the class members sign and mail on Sunday).
 - Scan children’s drawings for the bulletin covers, calendars, and special books. Make calendars and book available for a fee and use proceeds for mission projects.
 - Have youth create PowerPoint presentations using a biblical theme. Make presentation at church fellowship or gatherings.
 - Have Sunday School Meeting via Conference Calls.
 - Create a new member orientation program on PowerPoint.
 - Use the Internet to import sound and graphic for presentations.
 - Create teacher training workshops on PowerPoint.
 - Use a cell phone to stay in touch.
 - Use a digital camera or cell phone to take pictures of members. Create your own directory. Create a bulletin board that introduces new members to the congregation.
 - Implement Zoom calls for a monthly Sunday School Class.
 - Create Flyers to share on social media, via email or text to invite others to Sunday School
 - Email invitations and text invitations to invite others to Sunday School.

ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

- It takes time to get everyone on the same page and you might have to help people join the meetings.
- We recommend you to be very explicit about the practical details of your online Sunday School meetings in the beginning to avoid frustration and misunderstanding.
- Make sure people know that the meeting is in fact taking place as an online meeting, how do they login and who do they ask if they need help getting started.

INVEST IN YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

- A tired teacher = a tired class.
- Encourage teachers regularly
- Rotate responsibilities to avoid burnout
- Offer short training or idea-sharing meetings
- Have meeting with your teachers to discuss ideas



BUILD RELATIONSHIPS, NOT JUST ATTENDENCE

- People return where they feel known.
- Learn names
- Celebrate birthdays or milestones
- Follow up when someone is absent
- Create a warm welcome culture
- **JUST BE NICE!!!!**

MAKE IT ENGAGING; NOT JUST INFORMATIONAL

- People don't come back for lectures—they come back for connection.
- **Ideas:**
- Short lessons + discussion instead of long teaching
- Try not to read the entire lesson. Teach the lesson!!
- Real-life questions (“How does this help me this week?”)

OUR COMMITMENT TO PASTORS AND SUPERINTENDENTS

- WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
AND PRAYERFUL LEADERSHIP
AS WE STRIVE TO TEACH, REACH AND
GROW TOGETHER.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- MARCH MEETING/ WORKER'S MEETING
- MID YEAR PROGRESS OVERVIEW
 - JULY 2026 – USAC

IN CONCLUSION

- Sunday School, shapes character,
- Equips individuals for life's challenges, and
- Creates deep, supportive relationships beyond social media, strengthening both individuals and the church.
- We look forward to assisting you with your local

Sunday School