

## Future-proofing our children

Sunday School Class: SS2

Lesson Title

Children also offer

# A Parent's Guide

## Sunday School Home Schooling



## Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**Children also offer**” Sunday School 2 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

### How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p><a href="https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS">https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</a></p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bible</li> <li>• The PDF lesson that is already prepared</li> <li>• Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc.</li> <li>• The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the retention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class specific (i.e. SS, RI or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	<p>Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



# Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

## How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

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4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level <b>Example:</b> Sit on the mat or at a table
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

## Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Sunday School family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.



# The Lesson

<b>Lesson Title</b>	Children also offer
<b>Text</b>	2 Corinthians 9: 7
<b>Lesson Objective</b>	The children learn that our heavenly Father looks at our heart in everything we do. It pleases Him greatly when we busy ourselves in His work in love and humility.

## Lesson Summary:

Brother Keller and his five-year old son, Karl, cleaned and beautified God's house last Saturday. They spend many hours cleaning the church garden and fixing up the church building - this is a form of offering. Karl was very happy that he could contribute by helping his dad pick up the tools and clean the church yard.

Later that evening, Karl's mom and dad told him how proud they were of him, and that the Lord saw what he had done – God is very happy with every little thing that we do for Him. They are also proud of Karl's sister, Dianne, for placing a 10<sup>th</sup> of her pocket-money in the offering box.

Next week, they plan to take flowers to a sick sister who is in hospital. Karl and his sister are overly excited as this is also seen as offering. They then thought of what else they could do for the Lord.

2 Corinthians 9:7 – So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.



## What does this lesson mean for us today?

- God is not impressed by the riches of the world; He wants us to offer from our hearts – to be a cheerful giver.
- We can also offer by doing good deeds such as looking after the elderly, feeding the poor, cleaning God's house and beautifying it with flowers. We must keep busy in His work.
- There are also many opportunities to offer your gifts and talents both within and outside the congregation, and thereby fulfil the call to love your neighbour.

**What offering have you brought to God recently?**

## Some questions that we can ask:

**Q:** What can we as Sunday-school children do to offer?

**Answer:** We can give 10 percent of our spending up for offering on Sunday. We can also help the needy / help the elderly / make time to work in the Lord's house, for example sing in the choir, play an instrument, clean the church, help with flowers – all of this pleases God and brings joy to God's people.

**Q:** Can you think of something that you recently done/sacrificed that would please God?

**Answer:** God accepts all forms of offering if it comes from your heart.



## **A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:**

*Dear God, thank you for this day*

*Bless all parents and children*

*May we feel your presence*

*Bless the lesson we will have*

*Please teach us how to serve you*


*And help us to do your will*

*So that we grow closer to you*

*Send Jesus to fetch us*

*And may we be ready to meet Him*

*Amen*

 Notes