



Future-proofing our children

Sunday school Class 4

Lesson Title

I am happy to be a child of God

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the “I am happy to be a child of God” Sunday School 4 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>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The PDF lesson that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool <p>Note:</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:

Step	Action
4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level Example: 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

Lesson Title	I am happy to be a child of God
Lesson Objective	The children rejoice about the sacraments which the heavenly Father has given them.

Lesson Summary:

- We heighten the significance of the three sacraments.
- Holy Baptism
- Holy Communion
- Holy Sealing.
- Faithfully partaking of these holy acts is prerequisite to becoming a child of God.
- The sacraments are administered by the ministers commissioned to do so.
- We tell them about the Good which the Lord gives mankind.
- The creation, gifts and talents, loving people, God's word, forgiveness of sins, ministers and teachers.

 Notes



What does this lesson mean for us today?

- We must faithfully partake of the three sacraments to become a child of God.
- To enter the Kingdom of God we must remain faithful to God at all times.
- We must be happy to be a child of God.

Some questions that we can ask:

1. What did the Lord give mankind that is good?

A: The creation, gifts and talents, loving people, divine services, forgiveness of sins, ministers and teachers.

2. Name the three sacraments?

A: Holy Baptism, Holy Communion and Holy Sealing.

3. How do we receive the sacraments and why?

A: Holy Baptism – Baptism with water by priestly minister, God enters into a covenant with the child, he takes away his sins.

Holy Communion – Is celebrated in memory of Jesus Christ's suffering and death, and he forgives out sins.

Holy Sealing – Is when the soul receives the Holy Spirit, it is receive through the prayer and the laying on of hand of an apostle.

If you remain faithful to God you will surely enter into the Kingdom of God with Jesus Christ.

4. Do you have to faithfully partake in all three sacraments to enter the Kingdom of God?

A. Yes.

5. Are you happy to be a child of God?

A. Yes



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

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