



Future-proofing our children

Sunday school Class 4

Lesson Title

Jesus Christ is born

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**Jesus Christ is born**” 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 4 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	Jesus Christ is born
Text	Isaiah 9:6-7, Isaiah 11:1-5, Isaiah 53: 4-5, Micah 5:2, Luke 1:26-29 and Luke 2:1-20
Lesson Objective	The children learn that God keeps His promises. They are happy that, out of love, He sent His Son into the world to redeem man.

Lesson Summary:

- On God's instructions, the prophets Isaiah and Micah foretold the birth of a Redeemer hundreds of years before it actually happened.
- When God was about to send the Redeemer, an angel announced to the virgin Mary that she would bear a son created by the Holy Spirit.
- At that time the Roman Emperor ordered everybody to travel to their respective places of birth to be registered for tax purposes.
- Consequently, Mary, who was soon expecting her first child, and her fiancé Joseph, had to travel to Bethlehem.
- There under the poorest of conditions, the Son of God was born.
- That night shepherds in the field heard the glad tidings of the birth of the Saviour from an angel.
- They went and found Mary and Joseph in a stable with the baby lying in a manger wrapped in strips of cloth, like the angel told them.
- The shepherds went back to the field praising God for what they have heard and seen. It was just as the angel told them.



What does this lesson mean for us today?

- Jesus is the Son of God, our Saviour and He is our gift from God.
- God fulfilled His promise of a Redeemer and sent His Son.
- We also await the fulfilment of His promise to return to fetch His us to have eternal fellowship with God.
- Through Jesus Christ we are connected to with God.

Some questions that we can ask:

1. What was foretold by the prophets Isaiah and Micah hundreds of years before it actually happened?

Answer: The birth of Jesus Christ.

2. Who told Mary she would bear a son?

Answer: An angel.

3. Where is Mary and Joseph's place of birth?

Answer: Bethlehem.

4. Is it true that Jesus was born in Nazareth?

Answer: No, he was born in Bethlehem.

5. Does God keep his promises?

Answer: Yes, God sent His son Jesus Christ as promised.

6. What Other promise did God make that has not yet happened?

Answer: He promised to send His son to come fetch us as His bride.

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