

2009

LET'S HAVE A GOOD FRIDAY!



*He (Jesus) said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.
John 21:6 (NIV)*

- Engaging
The Family
- Experiencing GOD
- Entering Destiny

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Dear Leaders,

It's Harvest Time!

This Good Friday, let us unite as a body of Christ and bring the precious gift of salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ into the lives of those around us - in our homes, schools, and workplace.

Our purpose behind this churchwide harvest event entitled, '**Let's have a Good Friday**', is to ENGAGE THE FAMILY, EXPERIENCE GOD as we pray for others and ENTER OUR DESTINY as fishermen of lives to win the 'lost' for Christ.

In the process of doing so, we hope to build deep relationships with those whom we will reach out to, integrate across diverse backgrounds and touch hearts to bring about divine transformation of lives in Singapore – our FCBC vision.

So in this Leader's Manual, we have put together a comprehensive list of tools and resources that will enable you and your cell members to run your own special Good Friday harvest event in a step-by-step fashion.

From event planning to programme brainstorming to event preparation and outreach materials – invite cards, ice-breakers, prayers, prayer cards, decision cards, praise and worship songs, and even recipes to cook up a storm for the event, you will find all the handy guidance and tips that you need to do so with ease.

So let us get started today – planning, preparing, inviting and hosting our pre-believing loved ones and friends, in the hope of leading each of them to receive the Good News of Christ into their lives through this comfortable and non-threatening setting that we have helped create with a spirit of enthusiasm and excellence.

In this FCBC year themed, 'Love Your Neighbour', let us, as a mobilised church, passionately spur one another on and prepare to bring in a mighty harvest for His Kingdom. And may we experience as His word says in John 21:6b (NIV), "*When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.*"

In His Service,



Senior Pastor Lawrence Khong

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PROGRAMME CONCEPTS

The **BIG** Idea

GOOD FRIDAY is a major Evangelistic Outreach Point, where **Everyone** in the church should be **Committed To** the objective of **Bringing In The Harvest.**

- The Goals
- The Event
- The Tools & Resources
- The Heart Attitudes

THE GOALS

❖ **Engaging The (FCBC) Family**

- ▶ To inculcate an **Evangelistic Lifestyle** among the church members.
- ▶ To work towards building a better integrated community across FCBC, nurturing unity in purpose and spirit, thus **Preparing a Strong Net** (John 21:11) to haul in the “Fishes” for GOD.

❖ **Experiencing GOD**

- ▶ To move in the supernatural domain and the power of GOD, as we pray and intercede for our pre-believing friends and loved ones.
- ▶ To encounter the reality of GOD's love for the unsaved and increase the passion for the lost in our hearts.

❖ **Entering Destiny**

- ▶ To preach the GOOD NEWS to the poor and proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, by appropriating GOD's grace and anointing (Isaiah 61:1-2).
- ▶ To bring in the harvest (John 4:35) and enter into our destiny as “Fishers of Men” (Matthew 4:19).
- ▶ To reaffirm that everyone can be and is a competent minister of the new covenant (2 Corinthians 3:6).

THE EVENT

❖ **Good Friday – April 10, 2009**

- ▶ To use the GOOD FRIDAY Holiday as a season to share the GOOD NEWS.

❖ **Cell Groups**

- ▶ To mobilise ALL CELLS to be intimately involved in this outreach event.
- ▶ To communicate the GOSPEL of GOOD FRIDAY in a comfortable and non-threatening setting, so as to elicit a personal response to Salvation.
- ▶ To use all available resources in order that “we try to persuade men” concerning the GOOD NEWS (2 Corinthians 5:11).

THE TOOLS & RESOURCES

❖ **The Movie, “The Crossing”**

- ▶ See Appendix 5 for a synopsis of the movie.
- ▶ Reviewed as a movie that has effectively captured the essence of the Gospel in such a creative yet understandable way.

❖ **Real Life Testimony**

- ▶ Faith comes from hearing the message (Romans 10:17).
- ▶ A 3-5 minute testimony of 1-2 members, written and edited beforehand.

❖ **John 3:16 Presentation**

- ▶ Go through the John 3:16 video and sharpen up every cell member's presentation skills.
- ▶ Believe that God can work wonders through the simple presentation.

❖ **Ice-breakers** / Games with GOOD FRIDAY Themes.

❖ **Food Names** that create talk that point to GOOD FRIDAY.

THE HEART ATTITUDES

❖ **Unity**

- ▶ To unite as ONE HEART in this Evangelistic Event (Psalm 133).

❖ **Passion**

- ▶ To spur one another and run this outreach event with a spirit of enthusiasm and excellence (Philippians 2:14).

❖ **Love Your Neighbour**

- ▶ To love one another as Jesus loves us (John 13:34-35).
- ▶ To pray and fast for the invited guests to receive the love of GOD.

To see the “LOST” as GOD sees them.

Every soul is very precious and HE does not want any to perish.

“He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9b NIV)

PLANNING SCHEDULE

Planning Schedule

- 5 Weeks to TGIF
- Easter Sunday
- Post TGIF

Programme Format

PLANNING SCHEDULE

8-14 March, 2009 – 5 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Church to distribute the 'Let's Have A Good Friday' Pack comprising of the following:
 - ▶ Invitation cards, Prayer cards and Decision cards
 - ▶ Response Report Form
 - ▶ Leader's manual
 - ▶ DVDs – John 3:16 Presentation and "The Crossing" movie

15-21 March, 2009 – 4 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell group to brainstorm and plan the number of outreach points, organising members into small groups to run the a Good Friday party at different venues.
- ❖ Cell group to pray for the names of people to invite and send out the invitations.
- ❖ Members to draft and practise testimony sharing (3-5 minutes) in cell meetings, editing and refining the testimonies with the given feedback.
- ❖ Cell members to watch the John 3:16 DVD together.
- ❖ Members to pair up and practise the John 3:16 Presentation.
- ❖ Cell leader to collate information on outreach points for Network Pastors – venue, time, and the members running the programme.

22-28 March, 2009 – 3 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell group to pray and fast for Good Friday and invited guests.
- ❖ Members to report on invitation results and the number of children attending (if any), to decide if a separate programme should be held for the kids.
- ❖ Cell leader to go through the preparation needed for the party and pair up members to practise personal testimony sharing and the John 3:16 Presentation.

29 March-4 April, 2009 – 2 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell group to pray and fast for Good Friday and invited guests.
- ❖ Members to confirm the number of guests attending for the purpose of food preparation.
- ❖ Cell leader to rally and stress importance of Good Friday outreach to members.
- ❖ Cell leader to select members to share testimony for various outreach points.
- ❖ Cell group to rehearse programme, personal testimony sharing and the John 3:16 Presentation for Good Friday.

5-9 April, 2009 – 1 week before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell group to intensify praying and fasting for Good Friday and invited guests, especially binding the devil's efforts to thwart and stop the guests from coming.
- ❖ Final preparation and rehearsal for Good Friday, including the John 3:16 Presentation.
- ❖ Test the DVD and equipment:
 - ▶ Check that the DVD player and TV are working.
 - ▶ Ensure that the DVD can be played back properly on the equipment.
- ❖ Remind the guests:
 - ▶ A day before Good Friday party, contact your guests to remind them to come on time as there will be a programme.
 - ▶ If some guests are unable to come, re-invite them for another event.
- ❖ Arrange room setting:
 - ▶ Make adequate arrangements to ensure room setting is comfortable.
 - ▶ Place TV where everyone can watch comfortably.

10 April, 2009 – Let's Have A Good Friday !!!

- ❖ Members to gather earlier to prepare place and food (if it is not catered).
- ❖ Members to pray and intercede for the coming guests and invite GOD's presence into the place.
- ❖ Carry out the selected programme for Good Friday, using the steps and suggestions in, "What To Say? What To Do?" (Pg 29 - 37), to open and close the party, minister and impart a blessing.
- ❖ 'Yes' to salvation. If any of the guests responded positively to the call for salvation, take down his / her details in the Decision card.
- ❖ 'No' to salvation. If the guest's reply is negative, probe to understand his / her concerns and offer to pray a blessing over him / her. Also indicate response in the Decision card.
- ❖ Invite guests to Easter Sunday Service regardless of their salvation responses.
- ❖ Be sensitive to the prompting of the Holy Spirit throughout the Good Friday programme, always maintaining a sweet spirit.

12 April, 2009 – Easter Sunday

- ❖ Bring invited guests to the Easter Sunday Service.
- ❖ Cell leader to submit the first 2 copies of the Response Report Form (with statistics for salvation and rededication) to the respective celebration venues.
- ❖ Cell leader to retain the third copy of the Response Report Form and all Decision cards of invited guests for review of future Good Friday / outreach programmes.

13-17 April, 2009 – Post Good Friday

- ❖ Cell leader to conduct de-brief and evaluation of cell's Good Friday outreach effort.
- ❖ Members to continue to follow up with invited guests, especially those who have not responded to the salvation call or the invitation to go to church.
- ❖ Close de-brief and evaluation by giving thanks and praise to God!

PROGRAMME FORMAT

The programme agenda has three important components:

- ❖ **THE PRE-PROGRAMME** consists of ice-breakers and singing of some worship songs which act as a warm up and time filler for the guests to arrive. They also serve to get members and guests to mingle and have fun. It is also to prepare them for the main programme that follows.

- ❖ **THE MAIN PROGRAMME** is when 'The Crossing' DVD – featuring the story of a high-schooler who was taken on a supernatural journey to meet God – is played. This is followed by the sharing of personal testimony. Following that, members are to share with the guests in pairs their personal testimonies and the John 3:16 Presentation. Then the invitation for Salvation will be issued.

- ❖ **THE ENDING PROGRAMME** is when food is served. Continue to mingle with guests over food and get to know them better. Invite them to the Easter Sunday Service.

After the programme, cell leader is to collate data for reporting. Fill up the Response Report Form with the number of guests who came, the number of guests who received Salvation and the number of guests who rededicated their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Drop off the first 2 copies of your Response Report Form at the respective celebration venues on the coming Easter Sunday.

FORMAT FOR DINNER PARTY

STAGE 1

Prepare the Place (60mins)

"Food, Decorations & Prayers!"

STAGE 2

Recommended Start Time - 5.30pm

Welcome, Warm-up & Worship (30mins)

"Breaking the Ice, Joining the Chorus"

*STAGE 3

Time At The Movie (30mins)

"The Crossing"

STAGE 4

Sharing A Personal Testimony (10mins)

"Experiencing GOD"

STAGE 5

The Gospel Close-Up (10mins)

John 3:16 Presentation

STAGE 6

Response & Prayers (10mins)

"Sowing the Seeds, Moving in Faith"

*STAGE 7

It's Makan Time! (60mins)

"FAT-La-Ship Over Dinner!"

* Start and end kids' programme at this point (see Appendix 4, "Fun For The Kids")

You may want to shift the slots around if planning a lunch or high tea party.

PRAYER GUIDE

PRECIOUS SOULS

PERSISTENT FAITH

PERSEVERING PRAYERS

“And pray in the spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.”

Ephesians 6:18a (NIV)

- **Prayer Schedule**
(5 weeks to Easter)
- **Prayer Guide**
- **Other Prayer Pointers**

PRAYER SCHEDULE

15-21 March, 2009 – 4 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell leader to share the vision of Good Friday, gather members to pray for one another, so as to foster unity and prepare their hearts for this outreach.
- ❖ Every member to ask GOD for at least three names to attend your party.
- ❖ Cell group to prayerfully decide on the location of the party, asking GOD to anoint the place with His strong presence.
- ❖ Cell leader to prepare and write down your testimony (about 3-5 minutes in length), ask GOD to anoint your writing to come up with a powerful testimony.
- ❖ Pray for team spirit as the cell group practises the John 3:16 Presentation.

22-28 March, 2009 – 3 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Pray for the list of invited guests. Name them one by one before the Lord.
- ❖ Pray that the movie will help the guests understand the consequences of sins, and that it will challenge them to make a decision towards Salvation.
- ❖ Pray for a smooth running of the event.
- ❖ Pray for the MC and / or cell leader leading the party.
- ❖ Pray that the John 3:16 Presentation will be clear and effective.

29 March-4 April, 2009 – 2 weeks before Good Friday

- ❖ Pray for those who have accepted the invitation to the party.
- ❖ Continue to pray for the prospective guests and the programme.
- ❖ Pray "through" the programme.
- ❖ Pray for one another's involvement in the party.

5-9 April, 2009 – 1 week before Good Friday

- ❖ Cell group to intensify prayer and fasting for party and invited guests.
- ❖ Bind all the devil's efforts and power to thwart and stop the guests from coming and from hearing the Gospel.
- ❖ Pray for protection for all involved in the party, including helpers and guests.
- ❖ Pray for the entire programme and children's programme if there is one.
- ❖ Begin to ask GOD for words of knowledge.

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- ❖ Meet at least 1-2 hours earlier to prepare and pray for the party.
Bind and cancel out all demonic powers at work in the guests and at the venue. Ask for GOD's manifested presence to come upon the place, surrounding it with a hedge of protection.
- ❖ After the invitation for Salvation, pray for the new converts and bless them.
- ❖ After all the guests have left, give thanks to God for the harvest.

PRAYER GUIDE

(Source: "Spiritual Warfare Prayers" by Mark I. Bubeck)

PRAYER 1 – For Revival

Heavenly Father, I come before You to plead Your mercy over my own sins, the sins of other believers, and the sins of our nation.

May You judge not this nation with wrath and fury as upon Sodom, but judge it with a mighty outpouring of conviction of sin. May sinners groan under the burden of their guilt until the people cry out as did those at Pentecost, "What shall we do?"

I praise Your holy name that there is sufficient measure of grace through the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ to answer this cry. I wait for the Holy Spirit to prepare and bring us all to revival. I ask this all with praise in the merit of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Loving heavenly Father, I see about me brokenness and need. I see great needs in my own heart, in my family, among my fellow believers, and in my community and culture. Teach me to care, and to pray about those needs as Your servant Nehemiah learned to pray. Unveil Your presence among us. Draw near to us that we might experience the brokenness and awareness of our sinful need.

I affirm that revival comes as people become more aware of the near presence of our Holy God. It's in the finished work of our Lord Jesus Christ that I pray. Amen.

PRAYER 2 – For Salvation of Loved Ones / Friends

Loving Heavenly Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I bring before You (NAME). I thank You, Heavenly Father, that You have sovereign control over (FIRST NAME). I thank You for the good qualities that I see You have placed in this person.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and as a priest of God, I plead the sufficiency of the blood of Jesus to meet the full penalty his / her sins deserve. I claim back the ground of his / her life that he / she has given to Satan by believing the enemy's deception. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I resist all of Satan's activity to hold (NAME) in blindness and darkness.

Exercising my authority through my union with the Lord Jesus Christ, I pull down the strongholds which the kingdom of darkness has formed against (NAME). I smash all those plans formed against (NAME)'s mind, will, emotions, and his / her body. I invite the Holy Spirit of God to bring the fullness of His power to convict, to bring to repentance, and to lead (NAME) into faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as his / her Saviour. I ask You, Heavenly Father, to draw (NAME) to Yourself.

Believing that Your Holy Spirit is leading me, I claim (FULL NAME) for You in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. In Jesus' great name, I joyfully lay this prayer before You. Amen.

PRAYER 3 – For Christian Unity

Dear God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, I worship You in the wonder of Your triune oneness. Thank You, blessed Holy Spirit, for Your great work of baptising me into this body of Christ, the church. Thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, for continuing Your mighty work of readying Your church, to present her to Yourself as a radiant bride, without stain of any kind.

My Father, I rejoice that Your salvation has united me inseparably not only with Yourself but also with every other believer. Yet I long and pray for the bringing together of Your born-again ones. We have been terribly wounded by those things which divide us.

Thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, for planning for unity rather than uniformity. The diversity of Your body is part of its beauty and appeal to the lost. It adds to Your glory. Help us to love one another in our diversity.

Blessed Heavenly Father, I recognise that Satan and his kingdom are relentless in their efforts to keep believers divisive towards one another. As the accuser of the believers, he continually plants suspicions in believers' hearts. In the name of my Lord Jesus Christ, I pull down that work of darkness and bind our enemy that he might not succeed. I ask the Holy Spirit to supplant all divisive works active in believers. In Jesus' precious name I pray. Amen.

PRAYER 4 – To Wear The Armour Of GOD

Heavenly Father, I put on the armour of God with gratitude and praise. You have provided all I need to stand in victory against Satan and his kingdom.

I confidently take the belt of truth. Thank You that Satan cannot stand against the bold use of truth. Thank You for the breastplate of righteousness. I embrace that righteousness which is mine by faith in Jesus Christ. I know that Satan must retreat before the righteousness of God.

You have provided the solid rock of peace. I claim the peace with God that is mine through justification. I desire the peace of God that touches my emotions and feelings through prayer and sanctification (Philippians 4:6).

Eagerly, Lord, I lift up the shield of faith against all blazing missiles that Satan fires at me. I know that You are my shield. I recognise that my mind is a particular target of Satan's deceiving ways. I cover my mind with the powerful helmet of salvation.

With joy I lift the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. I choose to live in its truth and power. Enable me to use Your Word to defend myself from Satan, and also to wield the sword well, to push Satan back, to defeat him.

Thank You, dear Lord, for prayer. Help me to keep this armour well oiled with prayer. All these petitions I offer You through the mighty name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OTHER PRAYER POINTERS

(Source: "How to pray for Lost Loved Ones" by Dutch Sheets)

- ❖ Pray that the person's heart be prepared, so that it will be "good soil" for the seed (Mark 4:8).
- ❖ Pray that Satan will not be able to steal the seeds of truth (Mark 4:15) and that nothing else will be able to destroy the seeds (Mark 4:16-19).
- ❖ Pray that the Word becomes revelation through the lifting of the veil (2 Corinthians 4:3-4). Pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give (NAME) a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him (Ephesians 1:17).
- ❖ Pray that the root of pride in the person be broken (2 Corinthians 10:3-5).
- ❖ Pray that the person comes to true repentance (2 Peter 3:9), that this repentance may lead to the knowledge of the truth, and he / she may come to his / her senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will (2 Timothy 2:25-26).

WHAT TO SAY? WHAT TO DO?

- **Preliminary Instructions**
- **The Party Begins....**
- **How to Lead A Child To Christ**
- **John 3:16 Diagram**

PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS

- ❖ Bring your Bible and a pen.
- ❖ If it is possible, two cell members should pair up as a team.
- ❖ Know the names of the guests coming and be ready to greet them by name.
- ❖ Know your John 3:16 Presentation and be ready to present it to assigned guests.
- ❖ Refrain from unnecessary physical contact except the laying on of hands during prayer and ministry.
- ❖ Have a person in charge of Decision cards and let the cell members know where these cards will be placed.

THE PARTY BEGINS

Arrival of Guests (15mins)

- ❖ It is likely that your guests may not arrive at the same time.
- ❖ Allow 15 minutes of waiting time. Serve drinks and light snacks while waiting.
- ❖ Start with simple ice-breakers if the wait time is longer than 15 minutes.
- ❖ Members must make special effort to mix around with the guests.

Welcome & Warm-up – Breaking the Ice (15mins)

- ❖ The leader may start the party with this opening address:
“We want to welcome each of you to this very special Good Friday party. We are glad you can join us and hope that you will have a relaxing and enjoyable time with us. Let's begin with some games.”
- ❖ Play the ice-breakers you have chosen (see Appendix 2 for some suggestions). The purpose of the ice-breakers is to warm up and help your guests to relax. So have fun!

Worship – Joining the Chorus (15mins)

- ❖ Gather the people after the games.
- ❖ Get ready to move into the next part of the programme to worship.
- ❖ You may continue to say this:

“I hope you have enjoyed yourselves. It’s Good Friday today. So let’s sing some songs to celebrate this special day.”
- ❖ Give out song sheets to everyone. You should have selected no more than three songs (see Appendix 3 for some suggestions).

Time at the Movie – “The Crossing” (30mins)

- ❖ Get everyone to be seated comfortably facing the TV.
- ❖ The leader may give a brief introduction about why the movie is shown:

“Please be seated comfortably. We are going to watch this movie, “The Crossing”. Good Friday is a very special day for many of us here because it’s the day our Lord sacrificed for us on the Cross but resurrected three days later. And we would like to share what GOD’s love really means to some of us here. Sit back, relax and enjoy this very touching movie.”
- ❖ Make adequate arrangements to avoid unnecessary disturbance during the movie, so as not to distract the guests.

Sharing a Personal Testimony – Experiencing GOD (10mins)

- ❖ Immediately after the movie, switch off the TV and have the chosen member to share his / her 3-5 minute testimony.
- ❖ You may say something like this:
“You have just seen in the movie how someone has experienced the reality of the Cross. Now I would like to invite someone closer to us, (NAME) to share with us his / her personal account of what the Cross means to him/her.”

The Gospel Close-Up – John 3:16 Presentation (10mins)

- ❖ After the testimony is shared, you may want to say:
“With that wonderful testimony from (NAME), we have almost come to the end of the programme. Let's break into groups of twos or threes, so that we can share with you what Good Friday means to us, and to also pray a blessing for you on this special day. This will not take more than 10 minutes.”
- ❖ At this point, cell members should have readied themselves with pen and paper to share the John 3:16 Presentation.
- ❖ Once the cell leader gives the cue to approach the guests, the members should go to their assigned guests, share their personal testimony, followed by the John 3:16 Presentation, all within ten minutes. Make sure that no guest is left out.
- ❖ Members should ask if their guests have needs that they can help pray over. Impart a blessing over the guests, regardless of their decisions, before moving on to the last phase of the programme.

The Altar Call

- ❖ After sharing the John 3:16 Presentation and his / her personal testimony on what the Cross or Good Friday means to him / her, the cell member should ask the guest if he / she would like to accept Jesus Christ as his / her personal Lord and Saviour. You may say this:

"Dear (NAME), I have shared with you what the Cross / Good Friday means to me. God is real and He loves me so much that He came and revealed Himself to me. He loves you just as much too. Do you realise that Jesus Christ died for your sins too? I would like to give you an opportunity to invite Jesus Christ into your life. If this is what you would like to do, please repeat this prayer after me."

- ❖ Say to the guest (The Sinner's Prayer):

"Dear Jesus, I know that I have done things in the past that are displeasing to You. I need You in my daily life to help me. I believe You love me and died on the Cross for all my sins. I want to leave behind all the things I have done wrong, so please forgive me of all my sins. I invite You to come into my life today and be my Lord and Saviour. Make me the kind of person you want me to be. Help me to know You more and let me experience Your love daily from here on. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Closing The Session – Response and Prayers (10 mins)

- ❖ If the guest says ‘**Yes**’ to **Salvation**, confirm the decision by using scriptures.

Open your Bible to John 1:12. Ask the guest:

“When you receive Jesus Christ into your life, what have you become?”

Answer: A Child of GOD.

Let the guest read the scripture and answer your question.

- ❖ Member to ask the guest if there is a need he / she can help pray over.

Pray a prayer of blessing for the guest, and as the Lord leads, release the Holy Spirit's fullness and spiritual gifts, before moving on to the last phase of the programme.

You may say this:

“Lord, I thank You for the salvation of (NAME). I pray that you will fill my brother / sister here with the fullness of the Holy Spirit, and that he / she will experience Your love on a daily basis. I ask for the full blessings of the Cross to be upon him / her. Lead him / her in Your ways. Surround him / her with Your protection. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.”

- ❖ Proceed to fill up his / her details in the Decision card.
- ❖ Invite the guest to join your cell meetings and to attend the Easter Sunday Service.

If the guest is not ready to receive Christ but is **Open to Know More About God**, you may want to say the following:

"I understand that you are not ready at this point to make this decision to invite Jesus into your life. But like what I have shared, God is real and hears our prayers. May I pray for you that God will reveal Himself to you and help you to experience His love in your life? If this is what you want, please repeat this prayer after me and mean the words in your heart."

❖ You may want to pray the "Seeker's Prayer" now:

"Dear Jesus, I do not know You but my friend tells me that You are real. I would like to know You more and pray that You will reveal Yourself to me in the way You have shown Yourself to other Christians. Please help me to know Your love. Thank you for hearing me and I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen."

❖ If the guest says **'No' to Salvation**, probe to understand his / her concerns and offer to pray a blessing over him / her. You may say this:

"Lord, I thank You for this chance to share Your love with (NAME). I ask that You will continue to keep him / her in good health and joyful spirit, and that one day, (NAME) will come into the wonderful experience of knowing and walking with You. Seal the truth in his / her mind. Thank you in the name of Jesus. Amen."

❖ Invite the guest to come for the Easter Sunday Service.

It's Makan Time! – Start the Food Fellowship

- ❖ Proceed to start on the food.
- ❖ Remember to mingle with the guests and get to know them better.
- ❖ Hand out the goodies bag prepared for the children before the guests depart. Then say your Good-Byes!

HOW TO LEAD A CHILD TO CHRIST

“Breaking The Barrier”

This is a Presentation of the John 3:16 for children. This explains God’s plan of Salvation through a story, with the use of stickers which a child can place on a diagram in the centre page of the booklet. When the diagram is completed, the way of Salvation is very clear.

The booklet is attractive and easy to read. It is so simple to use, that children can do the Presentation with other children.

- ❖ The booklet begins with the idea of God's love for us and His desire that we should be with Him forever.
- ❖ Our sin creates a barrier between us and God. Sin means living without God and choosing to be bad. Sin always leads to death.
- ❖ People try many different ways to break the barrier and get back to God. They try to be good. They may worship other gods. They may try being kind. They may even go to church. We cannot break the sin barrier by ourselves.
- ❖ God loves us so much that He sent His Son Jesus to die for us (At this point, one half of the Cross shows His descent into the world.) People hated Him so much they killed Him on the Cross. (Complete the cross shape.) Jesus came alive and broke the sin barrier.
- ❖ Now we can come to the Cross of Jesus. If we accept His death for us and ask Him to forgive our sin, we can go back to God by breaking the sin barrier through the Cross. The only other way leads to death.
- ❖ The children are then encouraged to ask God to forgive their sins and to come back to God. They are asked to read John 3:16 putting their names in the appropriate spaces.

Appendix 1

FOOD FOR THOUGHT & TALK



- Suggested Menu
- 6 Recipes
- Suggested List of Caterers

SUGGESTED MENU

& ONE-LINER INTRODUCTIONS

Drink Of The Evening

The Jerusalem Sling – Any form of cocktail drink or fruit punch.

Should be a colourfully mixed drink to depict the cosmopolitan nature of the City.

“Jesus entered into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. It was a triumphant entry and a crowd gathered to welcome him with palm branches.”

Main Dishes

Pete's Garlic Bread – Garlic spread on French loaf

“Before Jesus was arrested, Peter (one of his disciples) pledged his total loyalty to him. Peter was usually well known for moving his mouth before his feet.”

Vinaigrette Salad – Any salad using vinegar dressing

“The soldiers offered Jesus wine vinegar when he was thirsty. This was one of the last moments of Jesus on the Cross.”

Rooster Curry – Chicken curry (use your mother's favourite recipe)

“But Jesus knew and He told Peter that he would deny knowing him three times before the rooster crow that morning.”

Thorny Prawns Platter – Prawn tempura or prawn fritters

“The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on Jesus' head.”

Satay Spears with Rice Lots – Satay and ketupat

“While Jesus was still hung on the cross, the soldiers divided up his cloak by casting lots. It was also recorded that one of the soldiers used a spear and pierced his side.”

Soldiers' Noodles – Fried bee hoon or egg noodles

“After the soldiers have divided up his clothes, they kept watch over him.”

Sweets And Desserts

Robber's Delight – nonya kuehs, any colourful cake, desserts like sago pudding

“Two robbers were crucified with Jesus. One of them hurled insults at him but the other pleaded with Jesus to remember him when he dies.”

Paradise Fruit Basket – Fruit salad or simply any cut fruits arranged in a platter

“Jesus promised the second robber that he will be with him in paradise.”

Three O'clock Coffee – Black coffee only, no cream

“It was about three o'clock in the afternoon and darkness came over the whole land.”

CREATIVE RECIPES for the Adventurous

Chicken Drumsticks

Ingredients

2kg of chicken drumsticks

1 cup of teriyaki marinade sauce

1- 2 tablespoons of sesame oil

2 tablespoons of mixed herbs (rosemary/thyme/anything else in your kitchen; for a better taste, buy fresh ones from Cold Storage/NTUC and chop them up).

Method

- ❖ Marinate the chicken drumsticks with teriyaki sauce, sesame oil and herbs. Cover them and leave in fridge overnight.
- ❖ Place the chicken drumsticks on tray and bake them in oven at 200°C for 20 minutes. Turn the chicken drumsticks over and bake for another 15 minutes.
- ❖ Alternatively, you may want to fry chicken in hot oil till they are cooked.

Fruits Salad

Ingredients

Assorted fruits (apples, guava, bananas, mangoes)

Salad cream, Peanut powder, Cashew nuts

Method

- ❖ Cut the assortment of fruits into bite sizes.
- ❖ Mix them with the salad cream.
- ❖ Add in peanut powder and cashew nuts and serve.

Turkey Salad

Ingredients

½ honey pineapple, trimmed and cut into cubes

3 kiwi fruits, trimmed and cut into cubes

6 strawberries, cut into small pieces

2 tablespoons of fresh lemon juice

200g sliced or cubed cooked turkey meat*

30g pumpkin seeds, roasted

30g walnuts, roasted

1 sprig of parsley, finely chopped

1 head of romaine lettuce, washed and drained

2 slices of bread

* *Can be replaced by cooked chicken meat.*

Method

- ❖ Cut bread into cubes or triangles.
- ❖ Bake at 150°C for eight minutes to make croutons. Set aside.
- ❖ Put the cut fruits and lemon juice into a salad bowl and mix well.
- ❖ Add turkey slices/cubes and nuts.
- ❖ Gently mix them together.
- ❖ Put the bowl in the refrigerator to chill.
- ❖ After an hour, remove the salad from the refrigerator.
Lay the salad on a bed of lettuce.
- ❖ Add croutons and serve.

Seafood Platter

Ingredients

1 kg of medium-sized prawns

1 kg of squids

Fish fingers

Squid balls

Scallops (optional)

Tartar sauce

Batter

1 cup of self-raising flour

1 teaspoon of ginger powder

1 teaspoon of custard powder

1/3 cup of water

(Prepare one portion at a time)

Method

- ❖ Shell and devein prawns, leave tails intact.
- ❖ Clean squids and cut into 2cm rings.
- ❖ Marinade seafood with a dash of salt and pepper.
- ❖ Sift dry ingredients into a bowl, gradually stirring in water to make a smooth mixture or batter.
- ❖ Dip seafood pieces into batter and deep fry till golden brown.
- ❖ Serve hot with tartar sauce.

Sago With Melon Balls

Ingredients

1 honey melon (about 2 kg)

1 water melon (4 kg)

1 1/2 grated coconut

10 cups of water

1 1/3 cups of sugar

1 cup of sago (150g)

A few pandan leaves, tied.

Method

- ❖ Wash and cook sago in two litres of boiling water until sago turns translucent.
- ❖ Rinse sago with tap water till cool. Set aside.
- ❖ Scoop flesh from melon with a melon scoop.
- ❖ Put remaining melon into juice extractor to extract juice.
- ❖ Add 10 cups of water into grated coconut and squeeze out milk.
- ❖ Cook coconut milk with pandan leaves and sugar until sugar dissolves.
- ❖ Refrigerate melon and liquid separately until ready to serve.
- ❖ Pour into serving bowl when ready to serve. Add crushed ice if desired.

Vegetarian Bee Hoon

Ingredients

- 1 packet of bee hoon (400g to 500g)
- 200g of french beans, tailed and cut into strips
- 300g of cabbage, shredded
- 200g of carrots (about 2 medium-sized ones), shredded
- 50g of mushrooms, soaked and cut into strips
- 4 cloves of garlic, chopped
- 6 small onions, chopped or sliced

Sauce (mix them together)

- 1 cup of water (250ml)
- 2 tablespoons of dark soya sauce and light soya sauce each
- 2 teaspoons of salt and sugar each

Method

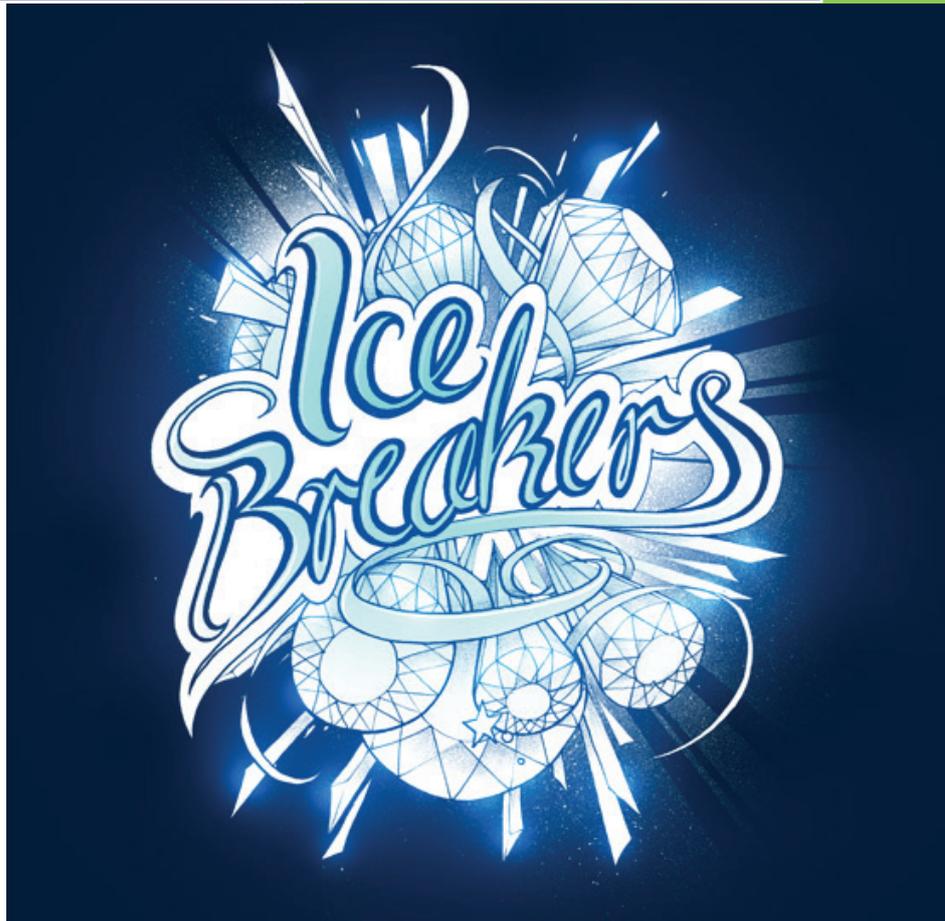
- ❖ Soak bee hoon in boiling water for 3 minutes; make sure there are no clumps. Run under tap water and drain (Recommended – Chilli or swallow brands).
- ❖ Heat up wok, add 3 tablespoons of oil, and fry garlic for 1 minute. Add mushrooms, follow by carrots, and fry for 1 minute. Add cabbage and stir fry for another minute before adding the beans for another 3 minutes. Stir fry all vegetables till tender; the colour will change when they are cooked. After about 3 minutes, sprinkle some salt before removing from wok and set aside.
- ❖ Reheat wok, add 3 tablespoons of oil, fry the onions till fragrant. Add bee hoon and pour in the Sauce. Stir and mix well till the water is absorbed and bee hoon looks even in colour.
- ❖ Add the cooked vegetables and stir to mix well.

SUGGESTED LIST OF CATERERS

❖ Bread of Life Bakery	6483 4060
❖ Cana Food Catering Services	6767 1635 / 6767 1636
❖ D'Sweet Touch Deli (Dave Chiam)	6343 8729
❖ Mana Pot Catering	6853 1568
❖ Pu Kwee Catering Services	6280 8119
❖ Sin Leong Enterprises	9664 5003
❖ Smiling Orchid (Singapore)	6471 0898

Appendix 2

BREAKING THE ICE



- Knowing Me, Knowing U
- What's Your Name?
- Let's Get It Right
- Taboo
- Heart Attack

ICE-BREAKERS

Why Ice-Breakers

- ❖ Ice-breakers are activities that help people take the focus off themselves, so that they will feel at ease with one another.
- ❖ They may require each person to say something on a topic; or small groups of twos or threes may be required to accomplish a task in a limited time.
- ❖ As the name “Ice-Breakers” suggests, they only break the initial silence and shyness of everyone present.
- ❖ They are extremely valuable to warm up the guests and help people to take that first step to know each other.
- ❖ Select an ice-breaker (from the list below or from any other source).

Suggested Ice-Breakers

- ❖ Knowing Me, Knowing U
- ❖ What's Your Name?
- ❖ Let's Get It Right
- ❖ Taboo
- ❖ Heart Attack

More Ice-Breakers – Recommended Websites

- ❖ FCBC G12 resources:
http://www.fcbc.org.sg/resource_details.asp?catid=2
- ❖ <http://www.icebreakers.ws/medium-group>
- ❖ <http://wilderdom.com/games/Icebreakers.html>

Knowing Me, Knowing U (An ice-breaker to help remember names)

What To Do?

- ❖ Get everyone to form a circle.
- ❖ A person starts by announcing his name and performing an action, e.g., pulling his ear.
- ❖ The person on his / her right will then repeat his / her name and the action, then says his / her own name and adds another action.
- ❖ The game goes on with each one having to repeat the previous names and accompanying actions in the right order.

What's Your Name? (An ice-breaker to help remember names)

What To Do?

- ❖ Tell everyone to sit in a circle. If name tags are used to identify each other at the party, get everyone to turn their tags face down.
- ❖ Each person will introduce himself/ herself by name and tell the group one unique thing about himself / herself. An example: "My name is John and I have a pet tortoise." (It is best if the game leader goes first. Then the group can see how it is played.)
- ❖ Tell the group that the next person is to repeat the previous person's name and the unique thing he / she told the group. That person in turn also tells the group his / her name and one unique thing about himself / herself.
- ❖ Everyone who remains have to follow the same procedure but recalls all the names and things shared from the first person to the previous person.

Let's Get It Right

(A good ice-breaker to transit the group towards viewing the movie)

Materials & Preparation

- ❖ Materials – slips of paper with movie titles, a container, score sheet, a stopwatch.

What To Do?

- ❖ Prepare beforehand a list of all the current movies. Select both English and Chinese movies. Write down each title on a slip of paper.
- ❖ Fold up all the slips and place them in a container.
- ❖ Divide the people into teams of five to six persons. Ask the team members to select a name for their team.
- ❖ Explain that they are going to play charades based on the category of “movie titles”.
- ❖ Each team will send a person forward for each turn. That person will draw out one slip of paper from the container.
- ❖ He / she has to act the movie title out either word for word, or something that stands out about the movie. Verbal communication is not allowed.
- ❖ Give each team 30 seconds to guess. If the team fails to get the correct answer, the other teams are allowed to try with their answers, but each team can only make one guess.
- ❖ Work out your own scoring system for the game.

Taboo

Materials & Preparation

- ❖ Materials
 - slips of paper with five to eight taboo words each,
 - score sheet, a stopwatch.

What To Do?

- ❖ Divide the people equally into two or three groups (depending on total size).
- ❖ Each team will be given a unique set of about five to eight taboo words.
- ❖ Each team to nominate a representative to help the rest of the team members to guess the taboo words. He / she can use description or words associated with the taboo word itself, or anything that sounds like it. For example, if the taboo word is "Angel", then the person can say words like "wings", "Gabriel", "Michael", "cherub", "fly", etc. He / She cannot use words like "angelic" which sounds the same as "angel", or the point would be lost.
- ❖ If the team decides to change the representative, the person replaced is not allowed to help out in the guessing anymore.
- ❖ Once a team completes guessing the five to eight words, the next team takes over.
- ❖ The winning team is the one that scores the most correct answers in the shortest time.
- ❖ Sample of taboo words associated with Good Friday – "Angel", "Blood", "Body", "Cross", "Calvary", "Crucifix", "Easter", "Empty", "Forgiveness", "Good Friday", "Grace", "Jesus", "Love", "Stone", "Roll", "Reconciliation", "Resurrection", "Roman soldiers", "Tomb", "Whip".
- ❖ Other taboo words – The cell leader has the freedom to adapt the game to suit the crowd and choose different sets of words. If he / she thinks the guests can handle the sample words above, then they can be used to spring into a conversation explaining Good Friday and Easter.

Heart Attack

What To Do?

- ❖ Get everyone to sit down comfortably.
- ❖ Ask for a volunteer and have him / her step outside the room. Tell the volunteer to guess the killer in this game. Allow him / her to enter the room when you have chosen a killer.
- ❖ Choose someone in the room to be a killer. The killer (without being seen by the volunteer) will silently wink at those present. Those who see the killer winking at them will suddenly clutch at their chests and pretend to have a heart attack.
- ❖ Play for about one minute, or until two other persons remain.
Ask the volunteer to guess the killer.
- ❖ Change roles and get other people to become the volunteer and killer.
Repeat the game.

SUGGESTED ICE-BREAKERS

(Fun Involving The Children)

(Source: "Feed My Lambs" by Lorna Jenkins)

Tick Tock

- ❖ The leader passes a coloured block to Person A on his / her left and says: "This is a tick." The person answers: "A what?" The leader replies: "A tick."
- ❖ Person A does the same thing to Person B on his/her left. Let this continue a few times till the pattern gets established.
- ❖ Then the leader starts a different block going in the opposite direction, this time saying: "This is a tock." The person answers: "A what?" The leader replies: "A tock."
- ❖ Confusion is sure to set in as the game continues. You can add more blocks if possible.

Live Spelling

- ❖ Give each person cards which show one letter of the alphabet. It does not matter how many cards each person has, but everyone should have some.
- ❖ When the leader calls out a word, the people have to put down the letters in the right order as quickly as possible.
- ❖ You could do this in teams if you wish.

Word Association

- ❖ The leader suggests a word and the person on his / her left has to add a word which is associated with what he / she has selected. For example, Blue – Sky – Pilot – Plane – Passengers –
- ❖ Keep going round the circle for some minutes. Young kids may need help.

Back-to-Back

- ❖ Form two teams. Ask a person from each team to step out and stand back to back. Do not warn them. Then ask each person the following questions:
 - ▶ What is the eye colour of your partner?
 - ▶ Is your partner wearing a T-shirt?
 - ▶ Is your partner wearing a ring?
- ❖ You could add any other questions.

People-to-People

- ❖ The group forms a circle, except the leader who stands in the centre, snaps his / her fingers and chants “people-to-people”; each is to find a partner.
- ❖ Whenever he / she wishes, he / she changes the chant to: “hand-to-hand”, “elbow-to-elbow”, “feet-to-feet”, “toes-to-toes”, “cheek-to-cheek”, etc.
- ❖ As the chant changes, the partners follow the instruction.
- ❖ At the call of “people-to-people, everyone has to change partners. You can make it more challenging by calling two body parts, like “hand-to-foot.”

Balloon Person

- ❖ What's required – one round balloon and one felt pen
- ❖ Choose a person to blow up the balloon and tie it. He / she passes it to the next person who takes the felt pen to start drawing a face.
- ❖ Ask the next person to draw one ear, one eye and he / she passes it on.
- ❖ Keep adding features as each person takes the balloon. You could include wrinkles or features, or teeth or anything else your imagination suggests.
- ❖ When everyone else has had a turn, the last person should give the balloon person a name. The leader then solemnly welcomes the balloon person.

Appendix 3

JOIN IN THE CHORUS



- So You Would Come
- Here I Am To Worship
- Above All
- Amazing Grace
- Give Thanks
- 5 Chinese Worship Songs

ENGLISH WORSHIP SONGS

So You Would Come

Before the world began, you were on His mind
And every tear you cry, is precious in His eyes
Because of His great love, He gave His only Son
Everything was done, so you would come

Nothing you can do, could make Him love you more
And nothing you've done, could make Him close the door
Because of His great love, He gave His only Son
Everything was done, so you would come

Chorus:

Come to the Father, though your gift is small
Broken hearts, broken lives, He will take them all
The power of the word, the power of His blood
Everything was done, so you would come

Here I am to Worship

Light of the world, you step down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus:

And here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Bridge:

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross (4X)

Above All

Above all powers, above all kings
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones
Above all wonders the world has ever known
Above wealth and treasures of the earth
There's no way to measure what You're worth

Chorus:

Crucified, laid behind the stone
You lived to die, rejected and alone
Like a rose, trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me
Above all

Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found
Was blind, but now I see

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares
We have already come.
T'was Grace that brought us safe thus far
And Grace will lead us home

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been here ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Then when we've first begun

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ, His Son (repeat)

And now, let the weak say, 'I am strong'

Let the poor say, 'I am rich'

Because of what the Lord has done for us (repeat)

Give thanks

CHINESE WORSHIP SONGS

宝贵十架

主耶稣我感谢祢
祢的身体为我而舍
带我出黑暗进入光明国度
使我再次能看见

主耶稣我感谢祢
祢的宝血为我而流
宝贵十架上医治恩典涌流
使我完全得自由

宝贵十架的大能赐我生命
主耶稣我俯伏敬拜祢
宝贵十架的救恩
是祢所立的约
祢的爱永远不会改变

牺牲的爱

在十字架上 祢为我舍命
受鞭伤 使我得医治
所有的罪恶 祢为我担当
受刑罚 使我得平安

何等牺牲的爱
圣洁神子 成为赎罪祭
何等能力 胜死亡权势
今我属祢 永活的真神

在这个时刻
我心只有祢
我的主 我唯一的爱

我的救赎者活着

我知道我的救赎者活着
祂是永活的主
当我在深谷迷失时
祂领我走正义路

我知道我的救赎者活着
祂是永活的主
当我在旷野孤独时
祂伴我作我的灯

我知道我的救赎者永远活着
我心不再忧虑
我要在每一个日夜中
领受祂的丰盛之爱

我知道我的救赎者永远活着
我灵不再沉睡
当号角响起的那一天
我将见祂荣光之面

这一生最美的祝福

在无数的黑夜里
我用星星画出你
你的恩典如晨星
让我真实的见到你
在我的歌声里
我用音符赞美你
你的美好是我今生颂扬的

福

这一生最美的祝福
就是能认识主耶稣
这一生最美的祝福
就是能信靠主耶稣
走在高山深谷
祂会伴我同行
我知道这是最美的祝福

我相信

我相信耶稣是我的好朋友
祂为我舍命使我能进天国
我相信天父是我的阿爸父
祂好疼爱我，
祂以慈爱安慰我

我相信圣灵是我的安慰者
祂时时同在温柔地牵引我
我相信生命充满美好计划
一生敬拜祢，
活出最美的旨意

我相信，我相信
打开心门来接受
选择这上好的福份不回头
我相信，我相信
我的生命已不同
一路上有主来陪伴我
永远不离开我

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我相信，我相信
我相信天父是阿爸父
祂看我为宝贵
我相信，我相信
最爱我的就是阿爸父
祂看我为宝贵

Appendix 4

FUN FOR THE KIDS



Suggested Programme

- Important Notes
- Children < 6 Years
- Children > 6 Years

Suggested Activities

SUGGESTED TGIF PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN

Your guests may bring their children to the party. Check on the number and the ages of the children coming when confirming the guests' attendances.

Important Notes

The leader, together with the other cell members, as well as the hosts of the home where the party is held, may need to look into the following:

- ❖ A separate room for the children. Put away all breakable glassware or porcelain from the room, and move the furniture if needed to create adequate space. Check all the equipment (DVD, DVD player, TV) that will be used to screen the video.

- ❖ Appoint a cell member or if any, one of their older teenage kids, to be the children's coordinator that will prepare an ice breaker, some games, arts & craft, or even select a video for the children to view.

- ❖ Prepare some toys for the children to play.
 - ▶ The best toys include things like a kaleidoscope, simple drawing toys, simple jigsaws and blocks.
 - ▶ Avoid toys that require great movement like toy cars and balloons.
 - ▶ Children are often more interested in safe ordinary objects than they are in toys. They can be delighted with large buttons, a mirror or a comb.
If you cut up plastic drinking straws, they can thread them on a string.

- ❖ Prepare goodie bags for the children to take home. These could include sweets and chocolate Easter eggs, as well as some stationery or small presents sourced from Christian bookstores.

- ❖ Welcome – When the invited guests and their children arrive at the party, the members' children can also join in the welcome and help them feel at home. Prepare sticker labels for each of the kids.

- ❖ Ice Breaker – Choose an ice breaker which the children can enjoy and participate in the fun as well.

- ❖ The Programme Begins – When it is time to start 'The Crossing' movie, call the children together and lead them into the separate room.

- ❖ The Programme Ends – The children's coordinator is to keep the children occupied till the completion of the John 3:16 Presentation to the adults. Lead them out to join the adults when the eating begins.

Children Below Six-Years-Old

- ❖ It may not be easy to separate pre-nursery children from their parents to whom they have become deeply attached.
- ❖ These children cannot sit still for too long and would need some physical activity to keep them focused. Bring out some toys for them to play.
- ❖ If they join the rest of the children in the separate room, being more restless, they would need the children's helper to control them.
- ❖ Bring them to the room and do one or more of the following:
 - ▶ Watch a children's cartoon, eg. VeggieTales.
 - ▶ Draw / colour an Easter egg on paper.
- ❖ Bless them at the end of the session with a prayer and goodie bags.

Children Six-Years-or-Older

- ❖ Children of these ages would normally like to sit through the adult programme.
- ❖ Use ice-breakers that would involve children.
- ❖ Children's helpers can be with the children while the adults are going through the John 3:16 Presentation.
- ❖ Share the Gospel. At this moment, pair up the children to share the gospel through the booklet, "Breaking the Barrier".
- ❖ Invite the children to GKidz Celebration Easter Service on Sunday.

For GOD loves children and wants them in His Kingdom too!

"But Jesus called the children to him and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.' " (Luke 18:16 NIV)

SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

(Source: "Feed My Lambs" by Lorna Jenkins)

Storytelling

- ❖ Children love to hear stories, not just Bible stories, but stories from life or from other books.
- ❖ You can encourage the children to talk about the story and to work out what it means. Do not tell them the meaning. They like to discover it themselves.
- ❖ However, you can help them with the clues.

Playing Games

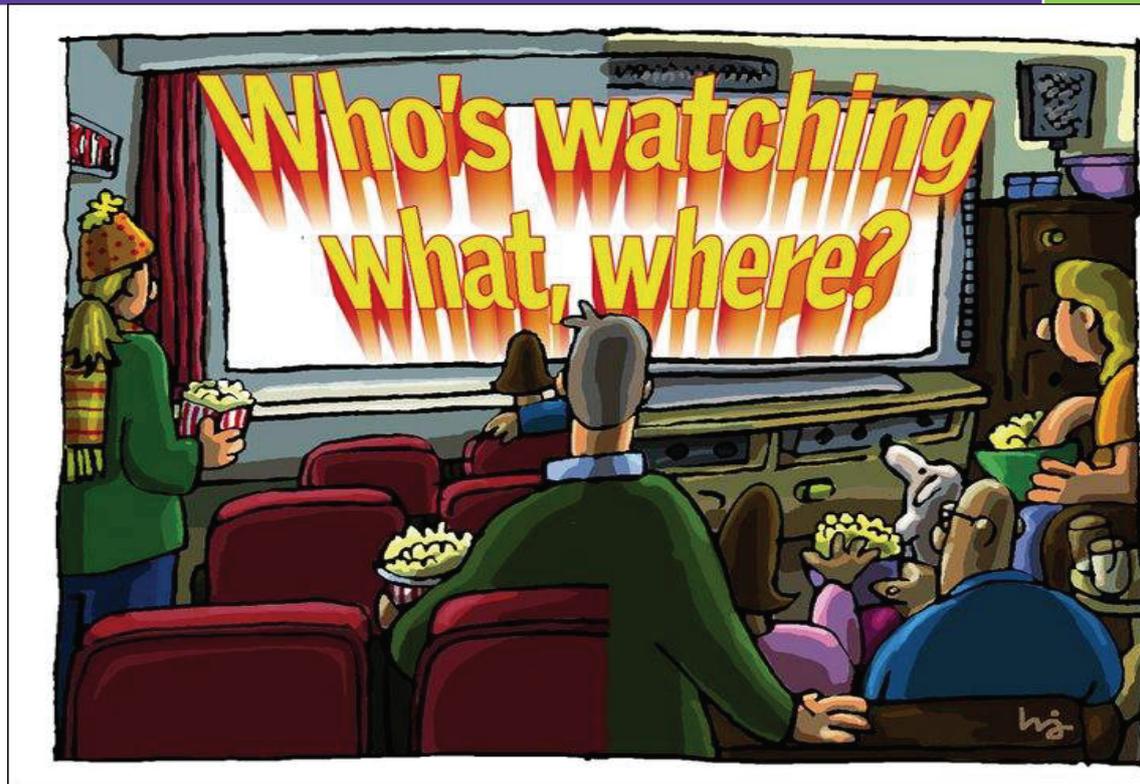
- ❖ Playing games, whether indoors or outdoors, is a good activity.
- ❖ Games allow good interaction and the children have to relate to each other as they play together.
- ❖ They will need to make allowances for younger children.

Watching A Video

- ❖ Some of the recommended children's Christian videos are:
 - ▶ VeggieTales (based on Christian values and includes some Bible stories)
 - ▶ JJ the Aeroplane (Christian values; talks about GOD)
 - ▶ Max Lucado (has a children's series on Bees stories)
- ❖ These videos are available at all major Christian bookstores such as:
Crest Christian Book Corner (Far East Plaza),
Mount Hermon Christian Books & Gifts (www.mounthermon.com.sg),
SKS Books Warehouse (www.sksbooks.com), and
Tecman Bookstore (www.tecman.com.sg).

Appendix 5

TIME AT THE MOVIES



- 'The Crossing'

MOVIE – THE CROSSING

Movie Synopsis

Not many teens can relate to the death of a close friend or family member. When you're young, it's easy to think you're invincible, or that death is far away. Well, high-schooler Jason Reynolds has to face with the reality that nothing is permanent. His best friend Matt dies one day after battling leukaemia. But just before his death, Matt leaves a cryptic note for Jason that says, "Don't forget my Friend's love".

The pieces of the puzzle fall together for Jason as he is taken on a strange journey. First, he visits a place where each sin committed by every person is recorded for use in the courtroom (these sins are tallied by computer and printed on dot-matrix printers). In the courtroom he visits next, the eternal fate of each person is decided upon – life with God in heaven or eternal separation. This scene effectively dispels the notion that good works are enough to get you to heaven. In the next scene where Jesus is crucified, the gospel comes alive and clear.

At the conclusion of the film, we find that Jason has a clearer picture than ever before on what "the most important thing in life" is, and even shares his new faith in Jesus in a school presentation he was preparing for.

“The Crossing” deals specifically with mankind's [sin](#) (The Computer Room scene), the [consequences](#) of that sin (The Courtroom scene), [God's solution](#) (The Crucifixion scene), and [salvation](#) through [faith](#) (in a scene where Jason must use the Cross to go over a vast chasm separating him from God).

The producer says of this film: “As Jason comes to grips with the realities of life and the consequences of sin, viewers are challenged to answer for themselves the question of life's ultimate priority. This is an excellent programme for outreach events, for evangelistic invitations in your homes.”

Since its premiere at DCLA '94, “The Crossing” has impacted tens of thousands through Salvation or Rededication to Christ. Whether shown at a camp, large event, retreat, lock-in or within a teenager's living room, “The Crossing” will bring the power of God's forgiveness into the heart of all who see it.

