July 31, 2023

Grace and peace to you this day.

As you all know, this past week was our annual Vacation Bible School (VBS) where we shared the love of Jesus with 40 children from the surrounding community.

I thought for our devotions this week I would share with you what we shared with the children each day. Our theme for the week was “Stellar: Shine Jesus’ Light!” Each day during our opening we had an opening and closing song. Additionally, for each of the five days we had a Bible Point, Bible verse, Bible story, and Bible “Buddy” that coincided with the theme of “Shine Jesus’ Light!”

As I mentioned yesterday, our Bible point on Day 1 was: “When life feels dark, shine Jesus’ Light!” Our Bible verse was: “Jesus said, I am the light of the world.” Our Bible story was “Jesus comes as a baby to be king” (Luke 2:1-20). And, our Bible Buddy was “Cosmo.”

On Day 2, our Bible point was, “When people don’t get along, shine Jesus’ light!” Our Bible verse for the day was, “Live in harmony with each other” (Romans 12:16) and our Bible story was “Jesus accepts Zacchaeus” (Luke 19:1-9).

Lastly, let me introduce you to our Bible Buddy on day 2: “Ringo:”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RI5JeViJldU

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August 1
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We will continue our walk through “VBS” with what we taught our children on Day 3. Our Bible point was: “When good things happen, shine Jesus’ light!” Our Bible story was “Jesus enters Jerusalem as a king” (Luke 19:28-40) and our Bible verse was “Shout with joy to the Lord all the earth” (Psalm 100:1).

Our Bible “Buddy” was “Luna.” Here she is:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RI60fFaRDy8

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August 2
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We will continue our walk through “VBS” with what we taught our children on Day 4. Our Bible point was: “When people are sad, shine Jesus’ light!” Our Bible story was “Jesus cares for His mother during His crucifixion” (John 19-20) and our Bible verse was “Don’t let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God” (John 14:1).

Our Bible “Buddy” was “Sol.” Here he is:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRSeSIKwsa0

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We will conclude our walk through “VBS” with what we taught our children on Day 4.

Our Bible point was: “When people need help, shine Jesus’ light!” Our Bible story was “Phili helps the Ethiopian” (Acts 8:26-39), and our Bible verse was “Let your good deeds shine…so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father” (Matthew 5:16).

Our Bible “Buddy” was “Halley.” Here she is:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n2vWGP5RkYY&list=RDn2vWGP5RkYY&start_radio=1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n2vWGP5RkYY&list=RDn2vWGP5RkYY&start_radio=1)

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August 4
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It was such a pleasure to be with our children last week and teach them about the light of Jesus’ love. Once again, I would like to thank the many volunteers who made it all possible. As I mentioned on Sunday, Jesus counts on us to “tell the world about Him,” and that is especially true of our children.

So, for today’s music devotional, here for one more time is the video I played on Sunday. Turn up the volume and enjoy!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APATH3ea-D0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APATH3ea-D0)

Next week: 1 Peter.

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