WELCOME TO NEWGEN



MORNING RUN ORDER:

08:30 - 08:45 VOLUNTEERS MEETING: Join us in the foyer for a volunteers meeting.

08:45 - 09:15 PREPARE YOUR SPACE. PREPARE YOURSELF: Check you have all your supplies needed. Make sure all craft items are at hand and that you have enough for each child.

09:20 - 09:35 KIDS CONNECT: Take part in the morning's free play, whether it is a game of ball, building a puzzle, colouring a picture or just a casual chat.

09:40 - 09:50 ROOM WORSHIP: Volunteers to gather children in front of the stage for worship.

09:55 - 10:15 THE MESSAGE: "We are commissioned for mission"

10:20 - 10:30 SMALL GROUP TIME: Children break up into grade relevant small groups for lesson review.

10:35 - 10:45 CRAFT TIME: Children break up into grade relevant areas for craft time.

10:50 - 11:00 GAMES:

11:05 - 11:15 CLEAN UP YOUR AREA!



Title: The Commission

Scripture: Jonah 1:1-2 & 3:1-2

The Gist: Jonah is commissioned not once but due to his reluctance twice to GO and share God's message with some people he was very inclined towards. In some ways this is true of Christ, who was commissioned by God to GO to earth and share God massage and do God's work there. So too we are commissioned (Matthew 28) to GO and share God's message, do his work and make disciples.¹

Big Idea: We are commissioned for mission.

Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WOSadLyqshg

Message: You see, the more we walk with Jesus, the more we realise that He sometimes calls us to do uncomfortable things. Crazy things. Hard things. Ridiculous things. Awkward things. Radical things. Way-outside-our-box things. All for His glory. We all doubting problems, like Jonah. We have better ideas. More qualified friends. Ones that don't involve dangerous or unpleasant things. Like telling others about Jesus when they don't want to hear about it...forget that they are facing judgment...Jonah and I value our comfort!

What about you? Has God called you to do something uncomfortable and you're looking for a boat to Tarshish? He will not call you and then leave you unequipped. He will give you exactly what you need at the precise moment you need it (and probably not a moment sooner!). Why? Because He loves using weak people to showcase His glory! Your inabilities are a beautiful way for Him to shine through you! Riding with Jesus is always an adventure, friend. Why not say, YES...and then watch Him show up in a bigger way than you've ever imagined? You can do ALL THINGS through HIM who strengthens you!²

Side Bars: The WHY behind our mission is that God is gracious and merciful.

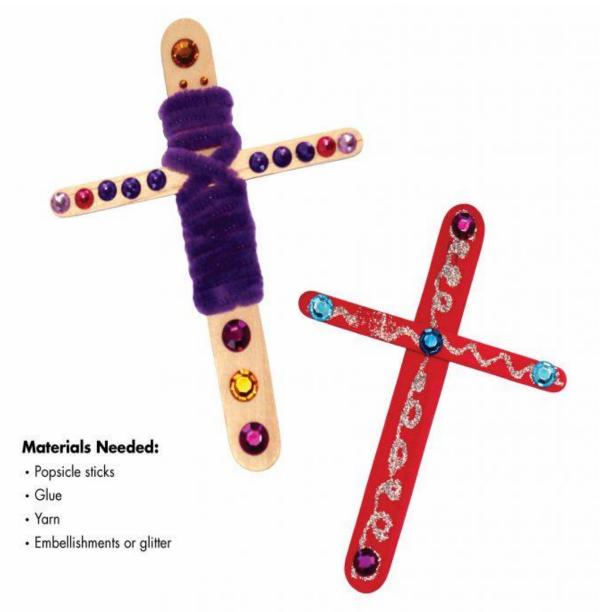
Call to Action: We must GO, who are we planning on going to? Today we are going to make little cross crafts. Take some time to think through who you would like to reach out in light of the message you have heard and you can either write their names on it or you can write something on it like "Jesus loves you" or something similar.

Stefs sermon notes

² https://livingbraveandcourageous.com/2018/03/24/jonah-and-me/

SMALL GROUP (25 min):

Craft:



Instructions:

- 1. Take the popsicle sticks and glue to make a cross.
- 2. Decorate the popsicle sticks as desired.

Games:

Everyone Is It

It's just that simple, everyone is it!

They have three minutes; everyone is trying to tag as many people as they can in the three minutes and keeps a running count by calling out the next number each time they tag someone (1! 2! 3! Etc.). In the end, the person who tagged the most people wins.

Rock, paper, scissors for tiebreakers.

Bless You, Bless You, Amen!

AKA Duck, Duck, Goose!

Have the kids play the well-known game Duck, Duck, Goose, but instead call it Bless You, Bless You, Amen! All the kids sit in a circle and one kid is the "blesser". The blesser walks around the circle tapping the other kids' heads, each time the kid taps someone's head they say "Bless You" until they randomly tap a kid who they decide they would like to trade places with! When they tap the person they want they say "Amen" and run around the circle. The kid who was tapped must get up and chase the blesser. If they catch the blesser, then the blesser stays in and they keep their spot in the circle, if not, the blesser then gets to take that person's spot.

What or Who Am I?

This could be played as who or what, it just depends on what you can come up with! You can write names from the Bible story, cartoons, celebrities, or it could be random objects. Just make sure they are things kids will be familiar with.

Take as many sticky notes as you have kids & write names/items on the sticky notes.

Then have each child put one on their forehead without looking.

No one can tell anyone who they are, everyone must guess.

The kids then begin taking turns to ask questions leading them to discover who or what they are.