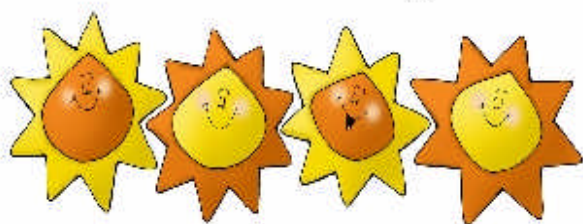
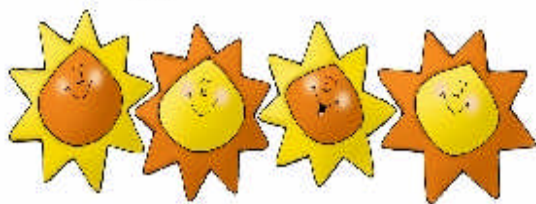


My Legacy of Faith



the official handbook of the
Sunshine Church of Christ
Spirit Club



Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

SPIRIT CLUB HANDBOOK

SUNSHINE CHURCH OF CHRIST

To Parents:

Memorization is a key part of learning and internalizing God's Word. The Spirit Club is an organized way for Christian parents and their children to learn important lists, passages and verses in the Bible. What we learn as youngsters stays with us throughout life; what better spiritual legacy could we leave with our children than the words of God firmly embedded in their hearts?

The Spirit Club is an opportunity for Christian parents to supplement the spiritual education your child is already receiving at Sunshine. The formal curriculum for our Bible classes will remain unchanged and will not incorporate Spirit Club memorization. However, Children's Bible Time may or may not include memorization review at the discretion of the leaders. The Spirit Club is intended as a tool for parents who want to provide solid Biblical training at home.

How the Spirit Club Works:

The manual has memory work assigned for every month and year of Bible School from Age 4 through Grade 12. Day by day, week by week, month by month, year by year parents and children can accumulate a large inventory of scripture in their hearts by following this program. Find the appropriate place in

the manual for your child based on their current age and start there. Don't worry about verses that are assigned for earlier years. There are review times built in where your child can go back and pick those verses up.

The handbook is sectioned off into age groups that coordinate with the age groups of the Bible classes at Sunshine. Since your child is in the same class for 2 or more years, we have designated memory work for year one, year two, etc. that your child will be in that particular Bible class.

Successful Memorization is defined as the following:

1. Being able to recite the assigned scripture 3 days in a row to a parent.
2. Memorization also includes knowing and saying the "address" of the verse. (i.e. book, chapter and verse.)

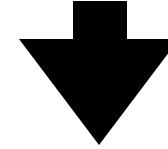
Recognition:

1. For those who memorize their assigned scripture for the month, on the first Sunday of the next month, your child should report to a designated place at the church building to have his/her picture made with a note from you that says, "Sally has recited (whatever verse/list) to me." Signed and dated by you. Parents are encouraged to log the child's progress in the handbook, too!
2. These pictures will appear the 2nd Sunday of the month in a mini video presentation to the congregation given either before or after morning worship assembly.

3. At the end of each 12 month cycle, which is set from September -August, there is a “review” month. If a child can successfully recite the previous 11 month’s work in August, they are eligible to be honored at a special event to be held sometime in September or October. That special event might be something at the church or it might be a field trip. The party theme and location will vary.
4. In addition to the things mentioned above, parents and teachers are free to devise any kind of reward/recognition system they feel appropriate for their child and age group.
5. We will continue to award Bibles to those students who learn the 66 Books of the Bible and their picture will be added to the “Tree of Life” in the church annex.

Resources such as songs, books, etc. are available upon request to help your child with their memory work. Please see Joan Coriell, Kristi Cordle, or Kendra Cram if interested in such material.

This
Spirit Club
Handbook belongs to



My handprint

Name: _____

Date: _____ Age: _____

THREES, FOURS AND FIVES YEARS ONE *and* TWO

? **The 66 Books of the Bible in Order***

? **The Ten Plagues of Egypt ***

(Exodus 7-11)

1. Water to Blood
2. Frogs
3. Gnats
4. Flies
5. Death of Livestock
6. Boils
7. Hail
8. Locusts
9. Darkness
10. Death of firstborn

? **The Fruit of the Spirit ***

(Galatians 5:22-23)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

* indicates that a song is available and will substitute for verses

? **The Ten Commandments ***

(Exodus 20)

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make for yourself an idol.
3. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
4. Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not give false testimony.
10. You shall not covet.

? **The Twelve Sons of Jacob ***

(Genesis 49)

Sons of Leah: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Zebulun,
Issachar

Sons of Zilpah: Gad, Asher

Sons of Bilhah: Dan, Naphtali

Sons of Rachel: Joseph, Benjamin

? Days of Creation * (Genesis 1)

1. God made light.
2. God made skies and seas.
3. God made the grass, flowers and trees.
4. God made the sun, moon & stars.
5. God made the birds and fish.
6. God made the animals and Adam.
He also made Eve, the first woman.
7. God rested.

? The Twelve Disciples * (Matthew 10)

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| 1. Peter | 7. Matthew |
| 2. Andrew | 8. Bartholomew |
| 3. James | 9. James, the Less (son of Alphaeus) |
| 4. John | 10. Simon |
| 5. Phillip | 11. Thaddeus |
| 6. Thomas | 12. Judas Iscariot |

KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE

My Teachers!

Sunday Morning:

Wednesday Evening:

Other kids in my Bible Class:

A picture of me!

KINGERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE YEAR ONE

You can learn one short verse for each letter of the alphabet. When you accomplish this you will have 26 verses "hidden" in your heart. That's a pretty special blessing!

- ? **A**lways be humble, gentle, patient,
accepting one another in love. Ephesians 4:2

- ? **B**ehold the Lamb of God who takes away
the sin of the world. John 1:29

- ? **C**hildren, obey your parents. Ephesians 6:1

- ? **D**epart from evil, and do good.
Psalm 34:14

- ? **E**very word of God is true.
Proverbs 30:5

- ? **F**ear not; for I am with you.
Isaiah 43:5

- ? **G**od is love. I John 4:8

- ? **H**appy are the people who know how to praise the Lord. Psalm 89:15

- ? **I** will praise you, Lord, with all my heart. Psalm 9:1

- ? **J**esus said, I am the way, the truth and the life. John 14:6

- ? **K**eep your tongue from evil. Psalm 34:13

- ? **L**ook unto Me, and be saved. Isaiah 45:22

- ? **M**y help comes from the Lord. Psalm 121:2

- ? **N**othing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37

- ? **O**h, give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good. Psalm 118:1

- ? **P**raise the Lord. PSALM147:1

- ? God says, Be **Q**UIET and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10

- ? **R**ejoice in the Lord always. Philippians 4:4

- ? **S**eek the Lord. Isaiah 55:6

- ? **T**hanks be to God for his gift that is too wonderful for words. II Corinthians 9:15

- ? **U**nto thee, O God, do we give thanks. Psalm 75:1

- ? The **V**ERY hairs of your head are numbered. Matthew 10:30

- ? **W**hen I am afraid, I will trust in thee.
Psalm 56:3
- ? **E**X**C**EEDING great and precious promises
are given unto us. II Peter 1:4
- ? **Y**ou are the light of the world. Matthew 5:14
- ? **Z**ion heard, and was glad. Psalm 97:8

KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE YEAR TWO

? *The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12)*

- 5:3 *God blesses those people who depend only on him. They belong to the kingdom of heaven.*
- 5:4 *God blesses those people who grieve. They will find comfort!*
- 5:5 *God blesses those people who are humble. The earth will belong to them!*
- 5:6 *God blesses those people who want to obey him more than to eat or drink. They will be given what they want!*
- 5:7 *God blesses those people who are merciful. They will be treated with mercy!*
- 5:8 *God blesses those people whose hearts are pure. They will see him!*
- 5:9 *God blesses those people who make peace. They will be called his children!*
- 5:10 *God blesses those people who are treated badly for doing right. They belong to the kingdom of heaven.*
- 5:11-12 *God will bless you when people insult you, mistreat you, and tell all kinds of evil lies about you because of me. Be happy and excited! You will have a great reward in heaven. People did these things to the prophets who lived long ago.*

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE

A drawing of my favorite Bible Story:

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE YEAR ONE

- ? Sept. John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.
- ? Oct. Genesis 1:1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.
- ? Nov. Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

- ? Dec. Psalm 51:10 Create in me a pure heart,
O God, and renew a steadfast Spirit
within me.
- ? Jan. Ecclesiastes 12:1 Remember your
Creator in the days of your youth...
- ? Feb. Psalm 27:1 The Lord is my light and my
salvation—whom shall I fear?

? March-May The Lord's Prayer

(Traditional Version—
Matthew 6:9-13)

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in
heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

? June -August The 23rd Psalm (KJV)

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil for thou art with me.
Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies; thou anointest
my head with oil. My cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life and I will dwell in the
house of the Lord forever.

? Review the Lord's Prayer and the memory verses
from September-February.

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE YEAR TWO

- ? Sept. **Philippians 4:13** I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.
- ? Oct. **Romans 3:23** For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- ? Nov. **John 14:15** If you love me, you will obey what I command.
- ? Dec. **Psalm 119:11** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
- ? Jan. **Psalm 119:11** I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
- ? Feb. **I Peter 5:7** Cast all your anxiety on him for he cares for you.
- ? March **I John 4:19** We love (Him) because he first loved us.

- ? April **Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

- ? May **Philippians 4:4** Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, Rejoice!

- ? June **John 13:35** By this will all men know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

- ? July **Proverbs 15:1** A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

- ? August Review previous 11 month's memory work and be able to recite them all!

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADE

My Sunday School teacher:

My Wednesday night teacher:

My favorite Bible verse:

Special memory from this year:

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES YEAR ONE

- ? **Sept.** **Matthew 5:16** **Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.**
- ? **Oct.** **Matthew 6:33** **But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.**
- ? **Nov.** **Acts 2:38** **Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**
- ? **Dec.** **Mark 16:15-16** **Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.**

- ? **Jan.** **John 4:24** **God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth.**
- ? **Feb.** **John 14:6** **“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”**
- ? **March** **1 Corinthians 10:12** **So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall!**
- ? **April** **Matthew 7:7** **Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.**
- ? **May** **John 1:1** **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES YEAR TWO

? **June** **I John 1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

? **July** **II Timothy 3:16-17** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

? **August** **Review previous 11 month's memory work and be able to recite them all!**

? Sept. **Proverbs 16:18** Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

? Oct. **Proverbs 22:1** A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold.

? Nov. **Ecclesiastes 12:13** Fear God and keep his commandments for this is the whole duty of man.

? Dec. **Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight.

- ? Jan. **John 10:11** I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.
- ? Feb. **John 15:13** Greater love has no one that this, that he lay down his life for his friends.
- ? March **Ephesians 6:11** Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.
- ? April **Philippians 3:14** I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.
- ? May **I Thessalonians 5:18** Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
- ? June **Romans 8:1** Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

- ? July **Galatians 6:7** Do not be deceived; God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.
- ? August Review previous 11 month's memory work and be able to recite them all!

SIXTH THROUGH
EIGHTH GRADE

My special church friends:

My favorite church memory:

SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE
YEAR ONE

- ? Sept. **Acts 22:16** And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name.

- ? Oct. **Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

- ? Nov. **Hebrews 11:6** And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

- ? Dec. **Romans 12:1** Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.

? January **Romans 12:2** Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

? February **Matthew 28:19-20** Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

? March **James 5:16** Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

? April **Romans 8:28** And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

? May **Psalms 55:22** Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall.

? June **Matthew 10:32-33** Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven.

? July **Deuteronomy 6:4-5** Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your strength.

? August Review previous 11 month's of Memory work and be able to recite them all!

SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE YEAR TWO

- ? Sept. **Proverbs 25:11** A word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.
- ? Oct. **Psalms 19:14** May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.
- ? Nov. **Mark 10:45** For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.
- ? Dec. **I Peter 5:8** Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.
- ? January **II Peter 3:18** But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.

- ? February **Acts 2:42** They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
- ? March **Galatians 3:26-27** You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.
- ? April **I Timothy 4:12** Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.
- ? May **II Timothy 2:15** Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

? June **I Corinthians 15:58** Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

? July **I Corinthians 13:13** And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

? August Review previous 11 months memory work and be able to recite them all!

SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE YEAR THREE—Review

September-November

Review Year One for Grades Two and Three

December-February

Review Year Two for Grades Two and Three

March-May

Review Year One for Grades Four and Five

June-August

Review Year Two for Grades Four and Five

GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE

Youth Leaders:

Youth Group Members:

My spiritual mentors:

Special memories:

GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE YEAR ONE

- ? SEPT. LUKE 9:23 IF ANYONE WOULD COME AFTER ME, HE MUST DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS DAILY AND FOLLOW ME.
- ? OCT. LUKE 2:52 AND JESUS GREW IN WISDOM AND STATURE, AND IN FAVOR WITH GOD AND MAN.
- ? NOV. EPHESIANS 2:8-9 FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED, THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS IS NOT FROM YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD—NOT BY WORKS, SO THAT NO ONE CAN BOAST.
- ? DEC. EPHESIANS 5:18-19 DO NOT GET DRUNK ON WINE WHICH LEADS TO DEBAUCHERY. INSTEAD, BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT. SPEAK TO ONE ANOTHER WITH PSALMS, HYMNS AND SPIRITUAL SONGS. SING AND MAKE MUSIC IN YOUR HEART TO THE LORD.

? JAN. PROVERBS 14:12 THERE IS A WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT TO A MAN, BUT IN THE END IT LEADS TO DEATH.

? FEB. HEBREWS 10:26 IF WE DELIBERATELY KEEP ON SINNING AFTER WE HAVE RECEIVED THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH, NO SACRIFICE FOR SINS IS LEFT.

? MARCH-MAY REVIEW:

66 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE, 12 DISCIPLES,
10 COMMANDMENTS
12 SONS OF JACOB,
FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT,
10 PLAGUES, DAYS OF CREATION

? JUNE-AUGUST REVIEW:

THE BEATITUDES
THE LORD'S PRAYER
THE 23RD PSALM

GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE YEAR TWO

? Sept. **II Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

? Oct. **II Corinthians 5:17** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.

? Nov. **Matthew 7:21** Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

? Dec. **Matthew 7:12** So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and Prophets.

? Jan. **Deuteronomy 4:2** Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.

? Feb. **Proverbs 4:23** Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

March-May **Review:**
Year One of Second and Third Grade

June-August **Review:**
Year Two of Second and Third Grade

Grades Nine through Twelve Year Three

- ? **Sept.** **II Corinthians 9:7** Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
- ? **Oct.** **Galatians 2:20** I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
- ? **Nov.** **II Corinthians 6:14** Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?

- ? **Dec.** **II Corinthians 7:10** Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.
- ? **Jan.** **Luke 9:62** No man who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of heaven.
- ? **Feb.** **Acts 17:30** In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent.

March-May Review:

Year One of Fourth and Fifth Grade

June-August Review:

Year Two of Fourth and Fifth Grade

**GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE
YEAR FOUR**

- ? Sept. **Hebrews 4:12** For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any two-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.
- ? Oct. **Galatians 6:9** Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.
- ? Nov. **Hebrews 10:4** Because it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.
- ? Dec. **James 1:5** If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.
- ? Jan. **I Peter 2:2** Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

? Feb. **Eccl.3:1** There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven:

? March-May **Review:**
Year One of Sixth Through Eighth Grade

? June-August **Review:**
Year Two of Sixth Through Eighth Grade

My Baptism

Date: _____

Age: _____

Baptized By:

At:

Witnesses:

Special People that Led me to Christ:

Picture of Me

Date: _____