

**MUSIC +
Drama
HandbOOK
-VBS-**

Crossroads Church

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Intro

Thank you so much for serving with us at VBS this year. We could not put on this program without the help and support of all of you! We deeply appreciate you and your heart to serve! Please be praying over VBS. We have included some prayer requests in this booklet.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Carrie or Glory -- we are here for you!

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MISSION & VISION

MISSION

Crossroads exists to make much of Jesus. We do this by following in the way of Jesus and making disciples who love God and love others

VISION FOR VBS

We view VBS as a local mission; an opportunity to introduce kids and families to Jesus Christ by sharing the gospel and representing the love and grace of God. We do this by providing fun, free, and engaging activities that point to Jesus.

Here we have the opportunity to share the gospel with kids who may have never heard it before and to demonstrate the love of Jesus to kids who may only know hurt, pain, and suffering. We take this responsibility very seriously.

Bottom Line:

We have the opportunity to be Christ to these kids. In all you do and say, show them the love and grace of Jesus. This may be the only place they ever receive it.

commitment to serve

Mandatory Meetings:

Rehearsals: Sundays 1pm-2pm, March 22 – May 31
(subject to change)

Excluding: Palm Sunday, Easter, & Mother's Day

Dress Rehearsal: June 6 (1pm-4pm) – subject to change

VBS Week: June 15-19, 8:00am-12:30pm

Please:

- Pray for VBS
- Be punctual
- Practice your lines/songs
- Dress modestly & prepare for daily activities
 - Thursday is water day, plan accordingly
- Wear your lanyard

Behavior:

- Model obedience, reverence, kindness, and love
 - *Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. – Colossians 3:17*
- Be a help not a hinderance
- Listen to your Director
- Help in your assignment when you are not on stage
- WALK in hallways
- Do not touch decorations

safety & security

general:

- Never be alone with a child
- Never leave a child unattended
- Wear your lanyard
 - Report anyone without a lanyard immediately
 - Do not assume anyone is supposed to be here
- Children must wear nametags
- No nuts (allergies)

Bathrooms:

- Only female helpers can take kids to the bathroom
- Kids may only use kid-min bathrooms (upstairs & downstairs)

Fire/emergency:

- Evacuation charts are posted in each classroom
- Account for all kids

Junior Helpers

Expectations:

Read Mark 10:42-45. Jesus set an example for us that we should serve. The disciples argued about who was the greatest and Jesus put it plainly that in His kingdom the greatest is the *servant of all*. That is our aim here at VBS. This means that throughout this week you look for ways to serve, not how to be served. You are a help, not a hindrance. You look for opportunities to work, not play. You have the opportunity to be an example of Christ to the kids here. This may be the only time these kids hear the gospel message. This may be the only time they interact with Christians all year. This may be their first and only time stepping into a church. It is our responsibility to steward this opportunity with reverence and with a recognition of its importance. In all that you do and say, show Christ. This means that what should be flowing out of you is truth, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Of course, we do not expect perfection. We do expect a desire to serve and a willingness for correction and instruction.

Remember

- Mandatory meeting at the beginning and end of each day
- Crafts are for kids, not helpers
- Snacks are a snack, not a meal

consequences of a failure to serve:

If it becomes clear to the Jr. Helper Overseer, Music/Drama Director, or the workers over you that you do not have a willingness to serve, that you are being more harmful than helpful, or that your conduct consistently does not reflect Christ, you will go home. This is the process to get to that point:

1. A gentle reminder
2. A one-on-one conversation between you and your overseer
3. A conversation between you, your parent, and your overseer.
4. You go home.

At any point between the reminder and you going home, you are encouraged to have a change of attitude and of heart. If you can do that, you are welcome to stay and help. We want you here! Do not be afraid to ask for help or support if you are having a hard time navigating what it looks like to serve. We want to help you grow in your journey of serving in God's kingdom, and we all struggle at times.

EXPeCtations

General:

The music and drama portions of our program help kids to see, learn, and remember important truths about who God is and what He has done and still does for us. From the moment they see you on stage, you become an important role model to every kid at VBS. They will be watching you and following you. Be a leader and take this role seriously.

When you are off stage, you will be assigned to a station/classroom. Please see your Director for your assignment and let them know if you have any questions or concerns about helping.

communication:

If you are struggling with your lines/song, having a conflict with another volunteer, or unable to attend a rehearsal, you must bring it directly to your Director or to Carrie and Glory. We are here to support and help you, but we cannot address what we are unaware of. Please let us know how we can improve this experience for you!

Prayer Requests

- That the families, kids, and volunteers (specifically our Bible Teachers) would be blessed and protected from spiritual warfare in the weeks leading up to, and during the week of VBS.
- For Carrie and Glory: protection from the temptation of overwhelm and distraction. That in our planning and as we execute our plans, we would keep the main thing the main thing and prioritize in a way that stewards what we have been given in obedience and reverence.
- That the success we all seek through VBS would be that kids come to know and follow after Jesus.

Our ultimate goal and prayer is for the hearts of these little ones to turn to Christ and be saved.

Rotation Schedule					
Rotation	Time	K	1st	2nd/3rd	4th/5th
1	9:00-9:10	Class	Class	Class	Class
2	9:15-9:45	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly
3	9:50-10:15	Snacks	Games	Bible	Crafts
4	10:20-10:45	Crafts	Snack	Games	Bible
5	10:50-11:15	Bible	Crafts	Snacks	Games
6	11:20-11:45	Games	Bible	Craft	Snack
7	11:45-12:00	Class	Class	Class	Class
**Friday: No Games; head to Sanctuary during normal game rotation					
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