



Future-proofing our children

Pre-Sunday School Class

Lesson Title

Noah and the Ark

A Parent's Guide
Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**Noah and the Ark**” Pre-Sunday School lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The PDF lesson that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool • Catechism and Question and Answer (for Confirmation classes) <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2. Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the attention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class-specific (Pre-SS, SS1, RI1 or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	<p>Pray (see sample as an annexure) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

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4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance-free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level <i>Example:</i> Sit on the mat or around a table
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Pre-Sunday School family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.
4. Contact your congregation's Sunday School Coordinator or Teacher.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	Noah and the Ark
Text	Genesis 6
Lesson Objective	We learn that we should trust God and be obedient to God. We are reminded of God's promise.

Lesson Summary:

- The people on earth forgot God and did evil things.
- This made God very sad and He decided to destroy the earth.
- Only Noah lived a godly life. He had three sons Shem, Ham and Japheth.
- For this reason, God says to Noah: "Build a large boat from gopher wood. Go into the ark with your whole family. Take a pair (two), one male and one female, of each animal and sufficient food. I will save you, your family and these animals."
- Noah followed God's exact instructions.
- At the time there was no sign of rain, so the people mocked Noah and his family for building this huge ark, but Noah was obedient to God and trusted God completely.
- When the ark was complete, Noah and his family together with all the animals went into the ark and God sealed the ark's doors behind them. Then, the rain came and the earth was destroyed with a flood of water.
- God promised Noah that never again will the earth be destroyed with water and He put a rainbow in the sky as a sign of this promise.

What does this lesson mean for us today?

- God always protects His children, because He loves us very much.
- Although Noah didn't understand, he listened and believed that God would save them. He trusted God completely. We too, should trust God.
- Noah followed God's exact instructions. He obeyed God. We too, should obey God, our parents and teachers.
- The rainbow is a sign (reminder) that God always keeps His promises.
- The biggest promise of God, is that Jesus will come and fetch us to be with Him.



Some questions that we can ask:

1. How many sons did Noah have and what are their names?
Answer: 3 sons – *Shem, Ham and Japheth*
2. How many of each animal was taken into the ark?
Answer: *two – one male and one female*
3. What sign did God give as a reminder of His promise to Noah?
Answer: *a rainbow*
4. Why did God save Noah and his family?
Answer: *Noah lived a godly life*

Our Prayers

A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

Dear Heavenly Father, Thank You for another day of Your Love and Kindness.

Please Bless my mom and dad and Bless our Ministers and all our friends and family

We pray that we will always treasure You and that we will be Obedient to our parents

Bless us that we may be Kind and Loving and treat everyone we meet with Respect and Kindness

Please Bless this Sunday School lesson and may we always remember to thank you for choosing us to be your Child.

We want to remain Faithful and Obedient until You come to take us Home with you.

We ask all of this in your Precious Name. Amen

A prayer after the lesson:

Dear Father in heaven.

Thank you for keeping us safe and for allowing us to have heard another beautiful Bible story.

Thank you for protecting us and keeping us safe from any danger.

Please help us to always be Obedient to our mom and dad and to be Kind to everyone we meet. Please also help us with our schoolwork.

Bless our Chief Apostle, the Apostles and all the ministers. Please keep them safe when they travel so they can teach us more about Your great work, God.

Please help all your children, especially those who are sick and who have no food or shelter. Please come soon and take us all home.

We ask all of this, not because we have earned it, but in Jesus name. Amen.