



Future-proofing our children

Pre-Sunday School Class

Lesson Title

The Message of Angel Gabriel to Mary

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to “The Message of Angel Gabriel to Mary” 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 Example: 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	The Message of Angel Gabriel to Mary
Text	Luke 1: 26-38
Lesson Objective	We learn that Jesus is God's Son.

Lesson Summary:

In Nazareth there lives a young woman named Mary and her soon to be husband (fiancé), Joseph. One-day God sent the angel Gabriel to the virgin Mary. She is startled when the angel appears. The angel says: "Fear not, God is with you. You shall bear a son and you will name him Jesus. And God is His father. Your son, Jesus, will reign over a kingdom that is eternal." Mary believes the angel and she says: "I am a servant of God, let it happen to me as you have said."

What does this lesson mean for us today?

- Be prepared to be used by God.
- Put your trust in God and believe in His promises.
- Live your life as a servant of the Lord - we can do this through praying, making music in the church, reading the bible. Can you think of more ways to serve God?

Some questions that we can ask:

1. Why did God send angel Gabriel to Mary?
Answer: *To give Mary a message from God*
2. What was the message angel Gabriel brought to Mary?
Answer: *Mary will bear a son and his name shall be Jesus. He will be God's Son.*
3. What was Mary's answer to angel Gabriel's message?
Answer: *"I am a servant of God let it happen to me as you have said".*
4. How do you think we can live our lives as servants of God?
Answer: *praying/reading bible/ singing in choir. Etc let the child provide more ways to serve God.*



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.