

Thursday, June 10, 2010

Only one more morning and evening left! Thanks for bringing your child to Rock Hero VBX. We hope they're having a great time learning about God--our rock, fort, savior, and place of safety. Here's the scoop on what we learned today and what you need to know for tomorrow evening.



Closing Program & Carnival Info

Friday night at 6:00 p.m. join us in the Worship Center for a closing program. (Please arrive by **5:45** so kids can join their groups in the Worship Center). Kids will perform songs from the week and you will see highlights of the week's activities. You'll find carnival games, big inflatables, and food waiting for you immediately following the program. Come join us for a night of **free family fun!!**

Lesson Info

Today's theme verse is:

"God's gifts of grace come in many forms. Each of you has received a gift in order to serve others. You should use it faithfully. If you speak, you should do it like one speaking God's very words. If you serve, you should do it with the strength God provides. Then in all things God will be praised through Jesus Christ." 1 Peter 4:10-11

Bible Stories:

1. Nehemiah talking about all the talents and abilities it took for him to lead the Israelites to rebuild the wall. (Nehemiah 1-6)
2. David talking about how God equipped him through his skills and experiences to defeat Goliath. (1 Samuel 17)

Take Home Point: God gives everyone gifts and talents to use for him.

Optional Family Activities

1. What do you consider your special talents and abilities to be? What type do you see in your children? Discuss ways they can be developed and how they can be used in the church and outside the church to serve others. (See also Romans 12:1-8 and 1 Corinthians 12:1-31)
2. Play any board game or multi-player video game. Determine how the family members' skills and talents play out as you set up, play, and put it away. Who is "the boss (task manager)?"

Who helps another? Who is the encourager? What other roles or abilities did you observe?
Talk about the results with the family.

Games kids (and families play)

Looking for safe, wholesome entertainment for your kids? We know that Guitar Hero and Rock Band are popular video games, but there are song lyrics, options, and graphics that aren't as positive or faith-filled as we'd prefer. Check out <http://www.digitalpraise.com/flash.php>. This company, committed to "glorifying God through interactive media," has computer games like Guitar Praise, Dance Praise, and Veggie Tales-Dance, Dance, Dance as well as adventure and learning games. They have an online store, and their products are also found in Christian bookstores and www.christianbook.com

Mission Info

This year's mission collection will go to Asian Children's Mission which is building an orphanage for up to 60 children in Myitkyina, Myanmar (northern Burma). In the past we have collected \$7-10,000, and hope to offer them at least a third of the \$22,000 building costs. For more information, check their website: www.asianchildrensmision.org



We are also collecting **any size sports cleats** (soccer, baseball) for kids in Honduras and Brazil who have no appropriate footwear (often bare foot or in flip-flops) and play soccer on hard dirt or gravel "fields." Two shipments will occur in late summer and November. Collection bins will be in the foyer.

Operation Christmas Child: We are asking families to bring supplies for Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes to the closing program and carnival. We have partnered with Samaritans Purse for several years collecting shoe boxes as a church so Samaritans Purse can deliver them to children around the world who need to hear that God can be their **Rock** also. **Some ideas to bring are:** crayons, combs & hairbrushes, toothbrush, toothpaste, small toys, small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, & Slinky®

Freebie Info

If your child doesn't have their own Bible, tell them to let their group leader know. We have a supply of Bibles to give away for free.

Wednesday stats:

Attendance: 626 kids, 255 volunteers and staff

Mission Offering: Boys=\$542.66, Girls=\$935.81, Today total=\$1478.47, Grand Total=\$3221.18

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