

LITTLE SCHOLARS

The Purpose of Little Scholars:

To help our preschoolers hide God's Word in their heart. (Psalm 119:11)

We are asking each child to **master 7 objectives** before they graduate from GraceKids-Preschool prior to entering their kindergarten year in GraceKids:

Hear the entire Beginner's Bible
Sing Jesus Loves Me
Recite the Days of Creation
Tell 10 Bible Facts
Recite 4 Assigned Prayers
Keep a Prayer Journal for one week
Recite Memory Verses

We will give the kids copies of these different objectives throughout the years. You can also download these from our website: www.graceplano.church. Scroll down to GraceKids and click on Little Scholars.

When your child masters an objective, he comes and recites to Mrs. Laura, Mrs. Kristine, or Mrs. Tarisha after the 11:45 service has ended. We will record this in our notebook. Your child can also have you make a video of them reciting their objectives and you can bring that in for one of the above coordinators to view. You can also send your video to alcmonsolve@gmail.com and put your child's full name and Little Scholars on the Subject line. Your child receives a small certificate for each objective mastered. When they have completed all of their objectives we will have a Star presentation for your child.

Reading through the Bible:

We recommend reading the The Beginner's Bible by Zonderkidz.

Your family can master the objectives together!

One of our GraceKids families decided to master all the objectives as a family! They did their Bible reading together, and parents, teens and kids memorized the scriptures! What a fantastic way to encourage everyone in your home to hide God's Word in their hearts!

We invite you to enroll your children in Little Scholars!

Ask a preschool coordinator in the children's wing and fill out an enrollment form. We will create a Little Scholar page for your child and keep it in our notebook so that we can record his/her mastery of the Little Scholar objectives.

Just think of the advantages of having all these scriptures in our kids' hearts—for a lifetime! In times of joy and celebration, or heartache and grief, in times of safety or danger, in times of peace or fear, in times of faith or doubt--God's Word will be an anchor and the stabilizing influence in a changing world!



Jesus Loves Me

(The preschooler can sing this to one of the coordinators or you can video it on your phone for us to see.)

Jesus Loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak but He is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so

The Days of Creation

(We will say the number of the day and the preschooler will tell us what happened on that day. Ex.: Teacher says, "Day 1". Student replies, "Day and Night")

- Day 1 Day and night**
- Day 2 Sky and water**
- Day 3 Dry land, plants and seas**
- Day 4 Sun, Moon and Stars**
- Day 5 Birds and Fish**
- Day 6 Animals and People**
- Day 7 God rested**

10 Bible Facts

(A coordinator or the parent will ask the preschooler each question below. The preschooler will answer each question. This can be recorded by the parent and shown to a coordinator.)

1. What is the Bible? God's Word
2. Why should we come together as a church?
To encourage each other and learn what the Bible tells us
3. Who died on the cross for you? Jesus
4. What happened 3 days later? Jesus came alive
5. Who was Jesus' mother? Mary
6. Where was Jesus born? in Bethlehem
7. What is the most important thing God wants us to do?
Love Him with all our heart
8. Who is God's son? Jesus
9. Who loves and takes care of us? Jesus
10. What is prayer? Talking to God

Prayers

Bedtime Prayer:

Father,
Thank you for being with me
as I sleep. My sleep will be sweet.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Healing Prayer:

Father,
I thank you for healing
me now.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Father,
Thank you Lord for this food.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Blessing Prayer

(Numbers 6:24-26; NLT):

May the Lord bless you
and protect you.
May the Lord smile on you
and be gracious to you.
May the Lord show you his favor
and give you His peace.

Name _____ **P - O - S PRAYER JOURNAL** Parent signature _____

Help your child (grandchild, etc) learn to pray by using this "P-O-S" guide! Pray with your child for 7 mornings, within a ten-day period. Help him/her include the parts from this guide. You or your child may place a checkmark by each part that was included in the prayer time. Write the names of who your child prayed for on the line by "Others". After praying and filling in this journal for 7 days, have a parent (grandparent, etc) sign the page at the top. Bring the completed journal pages to us.

The letters in P-O-S remind us to include these in our prayer:

P: Praise Start your prayer praising and thanking the Lord!

O: Others Pray for others. Pray for your family and friends. Pray for someone who needs healing, encouragement, or help.

S: Self Pray for yourself. Ask the Lord to help you to honor Him. Ask Him to help you. Do you need help to share? Do you want godly friends? Do you need joy when things are not easy?

Day 1 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise ("I praise you and I love you, Lord!")

___ O: Others ("I pray for these people: _____.")

___ S: Self ("Lord, help me _____.")

Day 2 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Day 3 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Day 4 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Day 5 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Day 6 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Day 7 (Date) _____

___ P: Praise

___ O: Others

___ S: Self _____

Little Scholars Memory Verses

We will read the references, and your preschooler tell us the words of each verse. The verses can be recited in pairs as shown below. This can also be done at home. Record your preschooler on your phone, and email it to Laura at alcmonselve@gmail.com.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:1
I am wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14

God is love. I John 4:8
O, how I love your Word. Psalm 119:97

Jesus said, "I am with you always." Matthew 28:20
Do not fear for I am with you. Isaiah 41:10

God is our protection and our strength. Psalm 46:1
Trust in the Lord. Proverbs 3:5

For unto us a child is born. Isaiah 9:6
I believe that Jesus is the Son of God. Acts 8:37

Children, obey your parents in the Lord. Ephesians 6:1
Do everything without complaining or arguing. Phil. 2:14

You shall love the Lord with all your heart. Matthew 22:37
God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

This is the day the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24
Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good. Psalm 135:3