HOME VERSION FOCUS VBS START HERE

First, I want to congratulate you on your choice to run your very own VBS this summer. My prayer is that your children will grow either a first time relationship with God or an even deeper relationship with God. Our world is in a crazy place right now that many kids just don't know how to make sense of it all. Focus VBS will help guide your kids into a better understanding of God's plan for our lives and how we can use the love of Jesus Christ to make a difference in the world.

Everything you need is included in this online platform to make it as easy, engaging, memorable, and of course fun as possible. There may be some supplies you will need to purchase however, I do have some of those things on a first come first serve at the church. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

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What to expect everyday

<u>Daily Schedule</u> – This is just a suggested guideline you can use. If you have only 1 or 2 children, some of the activities may not last the full time allotted. Just go with the flow you have set in your family. But please don't rush any part! The impact will be more meaningful if you take your time and a better connection with your children can be experienced.

Home Version Focus VBS What To Do Each Day — This is a word for word description of what to do each day in a certain order. The list of supplies are laid out in a simple format to follow. It includes all of your small group questions and on Thursday an entire script for what I call the Invitation where you might be able to lead your kids in a Salvation Prayer and have them ask for Jesus into their hearts. The entire blueprint has been prepared for you.

<u>Power Verse</u> – This VBS, we want the kids to memorize our Power Verse "Let us keep looking to Jesus. He is the one who started this journey of faith. And He is the one who completes this journey of faith." You will practice this everyday several times through out the VBS.

<u>Bottom Line</u> – Everyday there is a Bottom Line to focus the kids on the main point of each day. They should be repeated several times throughout the day to drive home the point in their minds

<u>Hidden Object Challenge</u> – Another cool thing to make sure the kids are paying attention is the Hidden Object Challenge. Every morning Pastor Andy will tell the kids to be on the look out for an item that is hidden somewhere in the day's VBS. The first child that see the Hidden Object for the day, should be rewarded. What and where they are is talked about in your Home Version document.

<u>YouTube</u> – One of the coolest components of Focus VBS is the virtual materials we have created for families to easily use. You will need to use this. It can be viewed on your smart TV, on your phone, from your computer, or on your TV that is connected to your computer. Look for TC3 Kids in the YouTube search bar and click the Subscribe button. Next, click on the "Playlist" tab just in the middle of the page. You will see different playlists pre-made. When you click on a playlist (Day 1 for example), you will be shown 8 videos each day ready to fire off. These are all in the order of the Daily VBS Schedule and told when to use them in the Home Version Document. There is nothing else you need to do with it. You should watch the videos with your family. Focus VBS is NOT intended to be a plug and play on their own kind of program. Stay engaged throughout the week. However, these super easy playlists and awesome videos will help the flow of the day.

<u>Snack</u> – There is snack options each day provided, but of course this is just a suggested list. You know your kids best and what their allergies are if they have any. Use the snack time to review the day's Bottom Line and what they have learned so far.

<u>Games</u> – Like the Snacks rotation, Games can be modified easily to adapt to your home and kid's abilities. There are ideas each day for both outdoor AND indoor games depending on the time you have and how the weather is behaving.

<u>Crafts</u> – The crafts designed for Focus VBS range from super easy to ever so slightly more involved. Much of it is intended to be done with things you might have already around the house and with printing off the templates we have included on the TC3Kids website. If there are things you are missing, Pastor Andy has items on a first come first serve basis at the church for pick up.

<u>Missions</u> – Our Missions project this summer is working in conjunction with Convoy of Hope to raise awareness and money for their Feed One program. I pray this rotation brings an impact like no other in your family's lives.

<u>Bible</u> – The Bible instruction is done for you and included on the daily YouTube Playlists. There are lists of follow up questions included in the Home Version document designed to intentionally draw deep conversations in your home. If you feel the Holy Spirit leading you in a discussion or asking a question that veers your family from the printed questions, go with it, as long as you make sure to nail down the idea behind each day's Bottom Line.

<u>Music</u> – Each day you find on the TC3Kids YouTube playlist 2 songs. Each song is done in 2 different ways. The first video is one of a professional dancer teaching the step-by-step motions in a slow easy to follow way. The next video will have the kids dancing to the whole song using the dance instructions they just learned.

<u>Intro and Outro Videos</u> – These videos in the daily YouTube playlist will open your daily program and close it up. They include a daily 60 Second Challenge you should do altogether, announces what the Hidden Object of the day is, reviews the Power Verse, and introduces the Bottom Line of the day.

Use this week to explore 4 different ways we can Focus on God with your family: HEAR, TALK, PRAY, LIVE! Please feel share any pictures and videos you take, stories your family experiences, decisions made, or testimonials with Pastor Andy. He would love to celebrate everything you all do. We are praying for you and the experience you can have through Focus VBS. Again, if you have any questions, reach out to Pastor Andy anytime.