

*Resources for Children's Ministry*

***Teaching  
Resources***

## ***Leadership Development***

**CI1** The Big Book of Christian Growth

*A supplement to any curriculum for upper Primary age. Bible based topical discussion cards with games and activities to go alongside them.*

*Kids in Kirk series:*

*A series of books from the Board of Parish Education, designed as a resource to equip grassroots workers to deliver the best the church can offer. Developed in response to requests from churches.*

**CI2** Inspired, Alive and Under Five! (Ph)

*Working with pre-school children*

**CI3** Holiday Time, Quality Time (Ph)

*The church's guide to running a holiday club.*

**CI4** Nervous Tension (Ph)

*Working with teenagers*

**CI5** Sunday School Smart Pages, (Ph) *and*

**CI6** 5th and 6th Grade Smart Pages (Ph)

*help, advice and resources for leaders. An American publication but with many good adaptable ideas and sensible advice*

**CI10** Sharing Jesus with Under Fives

*practical ideas on all aspects of teaching very young children*

**CI12** Under Fives Welcome, *and*

**CI13** Become Like a Child, *and*

**CI14** Help! There's a Child in my Church!

*Covering the primary school age group. Valuable know-how, advice and help*

**CI15** Working With Under 6s

*a replacement for the above "Under Fives Welcome" both are excellent*

**CI16** 101 Questions Children Ask About God

*with answers for busy parents and leaders*

**CI17** Sunday School Promo Pages (Ph)

*how to build a strong healthy Sunday School. An American publication but with many excellent adaptable ideas for any church situation*

**CI19** Reaching Children

*how to preach the gospel to unchurched children*

**CI20** How to Really Love Your Child, *and*

**CI21** How to Really Know Your Child

*for parents, but useful for all of us*

**CJ15** Welcome to the Lord's Table (*with children's activity book*)  
*Thoughtful course for preparing children for Holy Communion*

**CI23** The Works  
*Guidelines for churches in working with children and youth - covering planning issues, working with volunteers and advice on employing a specialist worker. Invaluable.*

*Other useful titles in*  
***Reading and Reference Books for Adults***

## ***Sample Syllabuses***

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### **Seasons of the Spirit**

**CF1** Multi-Age (5-12 years)

**CF2** Age 3-5

**CF3** Age 6-8

**CF4** Age 9-11

**CF5** Age 12-14

**CF6** Age 15 – 18

**CF7** Adult

**CF20** Congregation Life

*Lectionary and Christian Year Based resource for the whole congregation.  
Replaces the popular Whole People of God*

**CF21** Powersource

*A new resource package for Sunday Schools and Children's Ministry,  
Covers ages 2 to 13, colourful and appealing to today's computer age  
children. Sample lesson from each stage.*

**CF8** Children's Ministry Teaching Programme\*

*Covering all ages, biblically based and evangelically slanted. Fun,  
interactive approach. Sampler of leader's notes covers five teaching  
sessions for each of the age groups plus an all age service. Includes  
samples of visual aids and a CD of music etc.*

**CF10** Arkive (Ph)

*Bible teaching resource book for the 5-14 curriculum*

**CF11** Christianity Topic Book 2 (Ph)

*themed topics from the 5-14 curriculum*

**CF12** Religious Education Syllabus for Hearing Impaired Children

*Applies mainly to primary aged children - could however be used by  
younger secondary and adapted for use in churches*

**CF13** Wonderful World, and

**CF14** Time Together

*two Sunday School programmes for 3-4 year olds. Undated and flexible  
material. Updated and expanded resource list.*

**CF15** Roots (Ph)

*A new worship and learning magazine for the whole church. Issued bi-  
monthly, it is a joint churches initiative offering weekly material based on  
the Lectionary. Support material and ideas also on website.*

**Encounter Christianity Series:**

- CF16** Encounter Christianity in Creation
  - CF17** Encounter Christianity in the Making
  - CF18** Encounter Christianity in Journeys
  - CF19** Encounter Christianity in Words
- } 2 copies of each

*A new series for use in schools and churches - for the youngest children. The first book in the series is a "Big Book" with the other three small ones to complement it. Beautifully illustrated, with ideas on how they should be used and followed up. All teaching notes and follow up suggestions are included in the books.*

**TnT Ministries**

- CF25** On the Way for 3-9s Book 1 (Ph)  
*First book of a three-year syllabus. A chronological approach to the Bible.*
- CF26** On the Way for 9-11s (teacher's book and activity papers) (Ph)  
*13-week programme of simple Bible study, undated for use at any time. Part of a three-year programme.*
  
- CF28** Step this way Book 2 (Ph)  
*Part of a year's course for 5-7s. Themes can be used on their own or to supplement other material.*
  
- CF29** Live  
*A one year teaching programme for 7-11s. Pick and Mix approach, lots of ideas for group activities. Can be used on its own or along with the "Livewires" series of Bible adventures.(See under "General Reading")*
  
- CF30** Bible Stuff  
*Two themes for under fives - spiritual teaching that's fun. Suggestions for use with babies, toddlers, 2-3's, and 3-*
  
- CF31** New Salt  
*Scripture Union's updated teaching material, designed to cover all ages up to adult. A sample lesson from each of the age groups from 3 to 13+, and all age.*

## ***Individual Books With Complete Lessons/Themes***

### **CG1 Get A Grip (Ph)**

*A hands-on approach to Christianity aimed at early teens, using a themed approach. Clear notes and lively discussion/activity ideas.*

### **CG18 Get a Grip 2 – Hold On With Both Hands (Ph)**

*A follow up volume to the first in this series of popular resource books for young teen groups. Topic-based discussion and activity. R*

### **CG2 At Sixes and Sevens**

*programme for exploring the Bible with 6-7s, written for and used successfully for many years with the Fairmilehead Junior Church*

### **CG3 The Millennium Challenge (Ph)**

*12 challenges for the new century for young teens. Can be used individually or linked to form a series of meeting topics. Thought provoking and interactive.*

### **CG4 Talkable Bible Stories**

*Stories retold for telling aloud, plus background and talking points for older primary school age*

### **CG5 Jesus and ..... (Ph)**

*Ten session outlines suitable for schools as well as midweek groups and holiday clubs. For children age 7-12 with little or no church experience. Active and fun-filled, tried and tested.*

### **CG6 The Tinder Box Assembly Book**

*starting points, stories, poems, activities for younger children*

### **CG7 Bright Ideas: Assemblies (Ph)**

*themed topics for primary school age*

### **CG8 The Infant Assembly Book**

*arranged in topics for each term, and for festivals*

### **CG9 Building New Bridges**

*reaching and teaching children through midweek clubs*

### **CG10 Praise, Play and Paint (Ph)**

*Christian fun for fives and under - well laid out in complete lesson plans.*

### **CG 11 God's Wonderful Web Site**

*An activity pack to use with 5-12 year olds during the summer, looking at the web of life on one site - the church grounds. 4 expeditions look at mini-beasts, animals, flowering and non-flowering plants.*

- CG12** *Colours of God (Ph)*  
*A wonderful book for mid-primary age, exploring the gift of colour in everyday Christian life*
- CG13** *Stay Cool In School (Ph)*  
*... and at church too. A Biblical approach to teaching moral values in a stimulating way. For upper primary age.*
- CG14** *The Story Keepers (book and activity book)\* (Ph)*  
*Based on the ITV series, this is an exciting resource set in AD 64 in Rome. Suitable for holiday club and mid-week groups as well as church use.*
- CG16** *New Testament Activity Bible*
- CG17** *Old Testament Activity Bible*  
*Fun, imaginative introduction to Bible Study for mid to late Primary age - favourite Bible stories retold with lots of information, stimulating activities and problem solving.*
- CG19** *Great Stories and Songs\* (Ph)*  
*Stories, songs, prayers and activities for use with children 8 to 12. With accompanying CD*
- CG20** *Puzzling Through Mark*  
*Puzzles which unfold the gospel of Mark as they are solved. Fun way to increase Bible knowledge with upper Primary age group.*
- CB2** *Gazing in Wonder*  
*Practical ideas for the developing spirituality of young children*
- CB3** *Talking Together*  
*themed dialogues, activities, music and prayers for under 5s*
- CM9** *The Time of Jesus (with teacher's guide)*  
*Crafts that recreate everyday life in the time of Jesus, and an excellent leader's guide. Uses the craftwork to promote understanding of life in Jesus' time, and the Christian faith. An excellent resource.*
- CV14** *Getting Across?*  
*A six-session project suitable for all ages, focussing on communication - with each other and with God*
- CZ13** *Trade Rules Are Nuts!\**  
*A Christian Aid video and publication about world trade "telling it like it is". Includes booklet, games, activities to explore this whole issue with older children/youth.*

- *Also Holiday Club material published by Scripture Union and others - see separate section*

***For Christmas and Easter Teaching/Activity materials please see  
Festivals***

## ***Other Activity Ideas***

**CH1** If I Had Lived in Jesus' Time

*picture book comparison of our time and Jesus' time*

**CH2** God's Special Friends (Ph)

**CH17** Stories Jesus Told (Ph)

**CH18** People Jesus Met (Ph)

*Bible story activities for under 5s*

**CH3** Jesus Heals (Ph)

*creative Bible learning activities for 6-12s*

**CH4** Jesus Works Miracles (Ph)

*creative Bible learning activities*

**CH5** What a Good Idea

*activities for children in the church*

**CH6** Stories Jesus Told

*a jigsaw book for youngest children*

**CH7** The Good Samaritan

*a jigsaw book for youngest children*

**CH11** Fun Group Games for Children's Ministry

*for older children*

**CH43** Bible Games Preschoolers (Ph)

**CH12** Bible Games, grades 3-4 (Ph)

*Lots of activities - useful for older children too.*

**CH16** Come On Down

*a jigsaw book about Zaccheus for the youngest children*

**CH19** Bible Stories About Jesus: age 2-3 (Ph)

**CH20** Favourite Bible Heroes: age 4-5 (Ph)

**CH21** Favourite Bible Stories: grades 3-4 (Ph)

**CH32** Favourite Bible Heroes grades 1 and 2 (Ph)

*a series of activity books relating to specific Bible Stories*

**CH23** Instant Art for Pre-school Bible Activity Sheets (Ph)

- CH26** The Bumper Book of Family Activities  
*Activities and games for families at home and in church*
- CH27** The Big Book of Questions and Answers  
*helps to answer many basic questions about the bible - includes brief teaching notes for adults and ideas for developing each theme with children*
- CH28** Theme Fun  
*activities and puzzles to complement over 80 Bible themes*
- CH29** Over 300 Games for All Occasions  
*indoor and outdoor games, covering all ages up to teen years*
- CH31** Scrap Happy\*  
*an activity based all-age resource about boiling relationships in homes, churches and communities. Based on a successful stage show and useful for a series of family events or a weekend away*
- CH30** The Maker's Instructions  
*Helping children to explore and understand the Ten Commandments*
- CH33** Stories Jesus told  
*"Make and Learn" series - Bible stories retold simply, along with instructions for a collage activity. Clear and well laid out. Children and leaders will enjoy this book.*
- CH34** Play On Words  
*A book of "all-together" dramas, involving everyone in miming the actions to Bible stories.*
- CH35** 100 Activities for School Kids  
*Simple, fun, to the point, there are games and activities for every situation, all reinforcing your Bible teaching.*
- CH36** The Action Game  
*A floor size anti-bullying board game – a fun way to reinforce the message. For older primary children.*
- CH37** An Ark Full Of Recipes  
*Bible pictures, stories and a delicious recipe for each one. Younger children will need adult help with recipes - older ones will only need a little guidance.*
- CH38** Sunday School Ideas  
*Ideas for crafts, games, puppets and stories for middle Primary years.*

- CH39** Under Fives - Alive and Kicking (Ph)  
*26 theme ideas to introduce and develop Christian faith for pre-schoolers in church and many other settings.*
- CH41** Noah's Ark Story Cube  
*The cube unfolds - and so does the story. A captivating activity and visual aid for the youngest children.*
- CH42** 101 Fresh Ideas for the Clapped Out Children's Worker  
*The title says it all - a great resource for those working with 5-11 year age range*
- CH44** People Jesus Met (Ph)  
*One of the "Make and Learn" series, each story is accompanied by pictures and instructions for craft models. For older Primary children.*
- CH46** The Bible Brain Quiz Book  
*How well do you know your Bible? With quizzes on 3 levels, this will encourage children to increase their knowledge in a fun way. For older children.*
- CH47** Bible Stories in Rhyme and Rhythm (Ph)  
*New, fun ways to bring 52 Bible Stories alive. Lots of clapping, finger-snapping, etc. Then copy the activity page to give the children a take home reminder to colour.*
- CH48** Life of Jesus Bible Puzzles (Ph)  
*Puzzles of all sorts covering the whole of Jesus' life. Can be copied.*
- CH49** Favourite Bible Children (Ph)  
*Activities and crafts focussing on the children in the Bible. Copiable sheets. For mid- primary age.*
- CH50** Noah's Ark Floor Puzzle  
*26 large pieces, size 66cm x 66cm. Includes 9 complete animals.*
- CH51** The Biblearn Challenge (Ph)  
*An activity book produced by Queensferry Church to help children to learn about the Bible and how to use it. Challenging and interesting to children and user friendly for leaders.*
- AA12** Let's Sing and Shout (Ph)  
*Songs, rhymes and prayers to use with young children and in all-age worship*

## ***Holiday Clubs***

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- CV1** Go For Gold \* (Ph)  
*Based round the race in life run by the Apostle Paul.*
- CV2** MegaQuest\* (Ph)  
*Based on the theme of a computer game, exploring God's BIG plan for the world.*
- CV4** Rainbow People  
*based on the story of Noah*
- CV5** The King's Club (Ph) (2 copies)  
*presents Jesus as King*
- CV6** The J-Team (Ph) (3 copies)  
*based on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus*
- CV7** Newshounds (Ph) (8 copies)  
*the Easter story using the theme of the media*
- CV8** Secret Agents (Ph)  
*discovering who Jesus really is*
- CV9** Shipshapes (Ph) (2 copies)  
*seeing Jesus through the eyes of Peter*
- CV10** Scarecrows (Ph)  
*uses Old Testament prophets to ask questions about justice and fairness*
- CV11** Chattabox \*(Ph) (8 copies )  
*building relationships with others - and especially with Jesus. Particularly suitable for non-churched children*
- CV12** The Light Factory (Ph) (2 copies)  
*introduces Jesus, the Light of the World*
- CV13** Going Bananas \* (Ph)  
*how some Bible characters have 'gone bananas' for God*
- CV14** Getting Across?  
*A six-session project suitable for all ages, focussing on communication - with each other and with God*

- CV15 Body Builders (Ph) (5 copies)**  
*shows how following Jesus is the best way to live*
- CV16 Big Breakfast**  
*a five session project suitable for all ages, using food as the focus for learning about the Christian faith*
- CV 17 The Ultimate Holiday Club guide (Ph)**  
*Everything you need to know about running a holiday club – and three complete Holiday Club themes as well*
- CV18 Nuts and Bolts (Ph)**  
*SU guide to running holiday clubs and other special events*
- CV19 On Fire (Ph) (3 copies)**  
*Lively 5 day programme focussing on Pentecost - both for Jesus' disciples and for today's people.*
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*an activity based all-age resource about boiling relationships in homes, churches and communities. Based on a successful stage show and useful for a series of family events or a weekend away*
- CV20 Desert Detectives\* (Ph)**  
*One of the SU holiday club series which can be used also in many other settings. 5 key stories link the whole Bible story, with a well-known episode from each of Law, History, Wisdom, and Prophecy Books, and including the death and resurrection of Jesus.*