



Training Kids for Life and Godliness!

1st Event

Day	Gathering: Large (20 minutes) Outside Area where children can go to their designated teams.	Wisdom for the Race Bible Lessons: (20 minutes) See Bible Lesson Curriculum	Target Practice – (20 minutes) Memory Work – Need to find Memory Verse games to learn the verses at this station	Recreation (20 minutes) See Recreation Packet	Crafts (20 minutes) See Craft Curriculum	Snacks (20 minutes) See Director's Guide
1 st Event	2 or 3 Songs; Possibly a skit	The Israelites Choose to Disobey Numbers 13:1-14:35 Storyteller: Volly the Vulture Key Concept: God calls all people to a life of obedience to Him and His Word; all people respond to God's call to serve Him, either in obedience and the life of obedience or in disobedience. This lesson teaches the result of disobedience to the Lord in the Life of Israel	4's and Entering K Be strong and very courageous. Entering 1st- 6th Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law.	The Recreation Packet has some great ideas for games.	Go with God Visor Have the children decorate a foam or cloth visor to wear all week!	There are fun Olympic-themed ideas in the guide OR go simple and do basic snacks that kids will love and eat!



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2nd Event

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3rd Event

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Closing: Go to the gathering area for dismissal



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Sample Schedule

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
9:30-9:50	Gathering	Gathering	Gathering	Gathering	Gathering
9:50-10:10	Bible Lesson	Snacks	Crafts	Recreation	Memory Verse
10:10-10:30	Memory Verse	Bible Lesson	Snacks	Crafts	Recreation
10:30-10:50	Recreation	Memory Verse	Bible Lesson	Snacks	Crafts
10:50-11:10	Crafts	Recreation	Memory Verse	Bible Lesson	Snacks
11:10-11:30	Snacks	Crafts	Recreation	Memory Verse	Bible Lesson
11:30-11:45	Closing And Dismissal				



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Simplified Olympion 3-Day VBS (Outside Plan)

1. Decide how to do the intake/gathering of children.

Control registration so that each child is pre-assigned and knows their team/teacher. Have name badges already run off and have coaches put them on at their designated area. Imagine a big tent with areas for the groups of 10-15 kids spread apart. (You could use chairs outside OR colored sheets – so green team kids go to the green sheet to sit!) Once they are in place, they stay with that small group throughout the rotations. (You can also choose to leave them together by family rather than grade level.) Coaches should have attendance sheets to check them in.

2. Decide if you will sing and/or do skit during the gathering of the children. If so, allow drop off 15 minutes before Music/Skit time starts.

3. Have 10 x 10 tents set up for each of the stations: Bible Lesson, Memory Verse, Crafts, Recreation & Snack. Make sure tents go in the order of the rotation, so there isn't a lot of time wasted in between. (Borrow tents from parents and/or buy the \$50 ones at Walmart.)

Having the stations with 10-15 children at each would mean you could have 50-75 children using 5 tents. If you have more children than that, create a second set of tents with the same rotation which would allow you up to 100-150 children, but always have only 10-15 together at one time other than the quick “gathering time” and the quick dismissal.

Bible Lesson – Use the Olympion Bible lesson material with the storyteller. See Suggestions in the Overview. Find your best dramatic teacher(s) for this. The kids will love the teachers dressed up! This is the best part of VBS Reachout Adventures – the content of the lessons.

Memory Verse – Simplified from the curriculum. Find interactive memory verse games to play each day to help them learn their verses.

Crafts – You can choose any type of craft you would like. The visor and pennant are in the curriculum.

Recreation – The games in the curriculum match the theme well! Have lots of water available here too!

Snacks – Use this time to send the children to the bathroom as well so that there is social distancing for the bathroom.

4. Decorations Ideas

Keep it simple: Pennants around the tents, mylar balloons, silver and gold streamers will create a festive Olympic feel without a lot of effort or money. If you do the large tent and have a way to hang it, the banner in the VBS Reachout Adventure catalog would work with some of the cardboard columns available at Oriental Trading! Also, the League Banners would work to designate the different age groupings, giving a team flag to take from station to station.

Another décor idea with missions emphasis is to order different nations' flags from Amazon (\$6-12 per 4X6 flag) and hang from one side of your 10 ft. tents, or string together for any borders you may want to create. Have each class represent a nation and make t-shirts with that nation's flag that the kids can paint the first day and wear the last day. Choose "easy flag" nations — Japan, Italy, England, Niger, etc. (Don't let anyone be USA). Think about a global missions project - <https://www.mtw.org/projects>. Have each "country" compete by bringing a missions offering on second and third day. Announce winning nation at the end of the third day.

5. Running for the Gold – To keep with the theme, but simplify the keeping of records for the competition portion of the curriculum, create individual goals to be reached and give the children the opportunity to reach bronze, silver or gold each day! Ideas: Create daily postcards with places to put the stickers on each day. Create take home devotionals.

Example: (using the sticker page for Olympion)

Bronze – everyone gets a sticker for participating! (Use small torch stickers at each station to put on their card.)

Silver – everyone who recites the daily Memory Verse (Use large torch stickers when they recite.)

Gold – everyone who brings back their take-home devotional or who memorizes the extra Memory Verse (Use running athlete stickers.)

At the end of the day, give them the Bronze, Silver or Gold Sticker they have earned! If you wish, you can also give a daily gift. The wristbands would work great! They could collect one for each day. If they collect all three, then they can also have the medal necklaces on the last day!

6. Simplified Take-Home Books – Take-home books have large sticker pages that the kids will fill each day as they complete each station. Divide the stickers into what they will receive each day so that they will have a full sticker page at the end of the 3rd day. The take-home books will also give the parents some idea of what the children have studied, and a gospel presentation is included.

Order the 2's and 3's booklet for simple coloring pages and activities for younger children. You can take out the sticker pages for each child attending and use, send home, or save the activity pages for future use.

7. Dismissal – Back to the large tent to their designated areas. Have the parents line up, distanced apart and come through the middle four or five at a time to get their children and exit to the parking area. Coaches can check kids out on their attendance sheets as parents get them.