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MAY 2021

Location: **Nairobi, KENYA**

Mission: **Christian education**



Teachers' Messages:

"Beautiful story, great lessons (heart eyes, smiley emoji)"

"Thank you... All Glory to God. @Tr Miriam, the lessons are so well crafted that they minister to us adults as well. God bless."

"The lesson was excellent."

"I have enjoyed every lesson. Thank you for the idea of Easter animals."

These encouraging responses came from Sunday School teachers who used the Vacation Bible School (VBS) material recently when they taught "The Easter Story" online. The consultants' group were impressed by the crafts the children did at home. (Their parents kindly shared these photos with us on social media.)



Reflection Time

During our feedback meeting on Zoom, the group discussed the benefits as well as the challenges of conducting a virtual VBS instead of having the usual physical programme. We also noted some changes that will be incorporated into the writing of the next project. It's great to see how enthusiastic the group members are about working together. In time, the hope is to produce a library of VBS materials.

Looking Forward

The goal for the remainder of this year is to write two more sets of lessons. The current project, based on the theme of peace and conflict resolution, will take approximately three months to complete. There are many Bible stories that go well with this theme, here are the working titles for our selection:

1. The Proud Person (Luke 18:9-14)
2. The Squabbling Sibling (Luke 10:38-42)
3. The Competing Classmates (Mark 9:33-35; 10:35-45)
4. The Nasty Neighbour (1 Samuel 25:1-42)
5. The Boastful Builder (Luke 12:13-21)

Each member has been given the responsibility of preparing materials for one of the five days. As the sixth member of the team, my role involves developing the skeleton outline for the week, editing lessons and putting the resources together. It's fun!

Prayer points

- Join us in thanking God for the positive response to the "VBS: The Easter Story" materials developed by the consultants' group. Keep praying for the team as they start on the next project - writing lessons on the theme of peace and conflict resolution.
- Thank God for those who have received their first vaccine against Covid-19. Pray that the millions of doses still needed will soon arrive safely in the country.
- The current lockdown of the five worst-hit counties in Kenya, is to be reviewed at the end of May. Pray for all who continue to be negatively affected by the restrictions.