

OCCKids - Resources for you and your family to do at home.

Even though we don't gather for church right now, this is an incredible opportunity for you to have faith conversations with your child at home. As a parent, you have been given the role as the primary spiritual influencer in your child's life. And this is a season that allows for incredible spiritual influence.

The obstacle is that this task can seem overwhelming. It is awkward. It is hard. This is largely because we often feel inadequate and underqualified. I would say that none of us are perfectly qualified or prepared, but that we do have resources.

There are so many incredible tools that are out there to help guide you as you seek to engage in conversations that help your child consider faith rather than put their faith on the sidelines.

Here are some resources that I have found, and I will continue to share more resource options as they become available.

***** Note ***** If you need any of these resources printed, just let me know. I would be happy to print them for you and you can do a drive by the church to pick them up.

OCCKids

Each week will post on our website (occweb.org) a bible story and an activity or two that you can do at home with your child. This material comes from the curriculum that we use on Sunday mornings at OCC. I would encourage you to have your child read the bible story from an easy to read translation (NIRV, NLT). Maybe a good old fashioned sword drill for some friendly competition between siblings.

LifeWay Kids at Home

LifeWay Christian Resources is offering "LifeWay Kids at Home," a free temporary digital resource to supplement Sunday School from home.

Users will access the experience through LifeWay's Digital Pass platform following these steps:

- Step 1: Go to digitalpass.lifeway.com.
- Step 2: Login or create an account (free).
- Step 3: Click the LifeWay Kids (or Preschool) at Home icon on the main page of Digital Pass.
- Step 4: In the LifeWay Kids at Home interface, download activity pages and conversation guides (button at top right).

Users will have access to video content from "Bible Studies for Life for Kids" worship hour, Bible story teachings, life application, and kids talking about the week's topic. To accommodate families that have children of different ages, the "LifeWay Kids at Home" content is not graded and is geared toward first through sixth graders.

Each week's lesson will be available to registrants on Thursdays at midnight. Parents and caregivers can access the content directly at home from any device.

Illustrated Ministry

For those that love to colour, this organization will be sending out weekly colouring pages. You do have to sign up to receive the weekly colouring pages. There is a copy of three colouring pages that we have posted online to get you started.

<https://www.illustratedministry.com/flattenthecurve>

When people sign up, they will immediately receive a meditative coloring page in the confirmation email. Then they will receive a weekly email on Fridays that includes FREE faith formation resources for ALL AGES. We are already looking through our library to find materials that would be a good fit for this, AND we are brainstorming some new products that we can create that would be included as well.

Adventures in Odyssey

Focus can help you entertain and engage your kiddos and it won't cost you a thing! For only the second time in our history we're offering a 4-week free trial to Adventures in Odyssey at no cost to you! We don't even need your credit card. What do you get? Over 900 episodes at your fingertips, 5 family log ins so no one will feel left out, and audio dramas that will engage your children's hearts and minds and set them on a journey to head straight into God's heart. All you have to do is visit www.aioclub.org/ActivitiesForHome and sign up today! Introduce your children to a host of friends that will help them work through what to do when things are scary or you can't make sense of circumstances or how to deal with loneliness. Our characters go through it all in ways that kids understand and can process. Sign up today and bring Adventures in Odyssey into your home! *For new members only.

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