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DISCIPLESHIP PRIMARY SCHOOL

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VISION



Grow: To discover Jesus and build a relationship with Him.

To model and explore the character of God.

To inculcate Godly character qualities into children's lives.



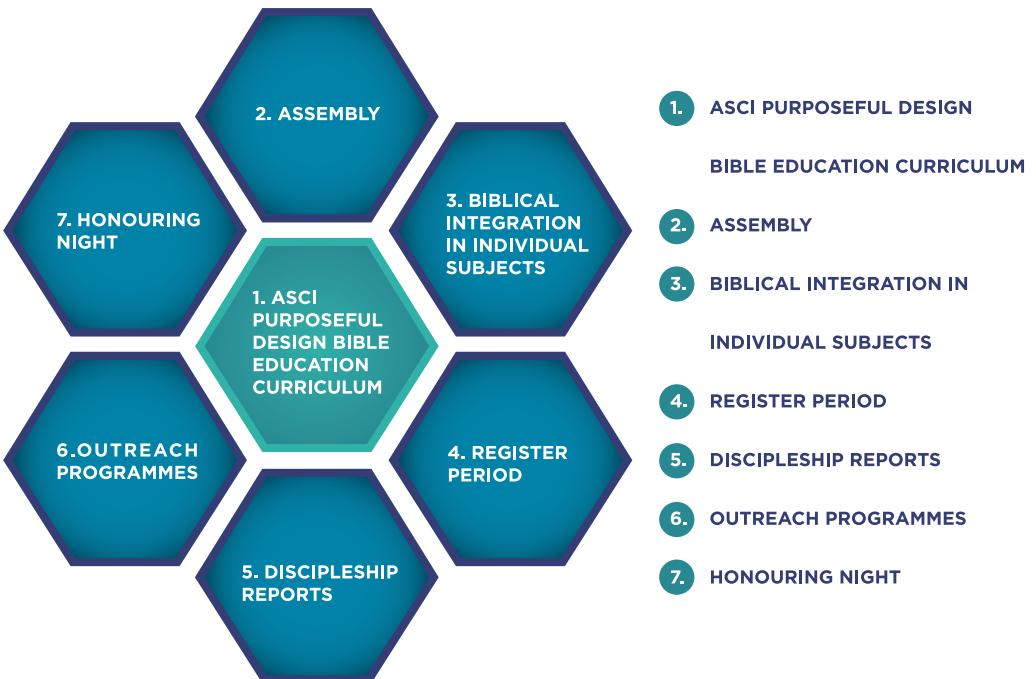
Equip: To instil a Biblical worldview and Biblical truths, based on the Word of God.



Send: To serve, impact and disciple our community.

HOW DO WE INTENTIONALLY DISCIPLE?

WE USE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES TO DISCIPLE OUR STUDENTS:



UMBRELLA FOCUS AND CHARACTER QUALITIES

THESE FORM THE FOCUS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

TERM	UMBRELLA FOCUS	CHARACTER QUALITIES OF GOD
1	FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD	GOD IS CREATOR, GOD IS LOVE AND GOD IS WISE
2	SELF WORTH	GOD IS TRUTH AND LIGHT, GOD IS HEALER AND FORGIVER AND GOD IS PEACE AND JOY
3	SERVANTHOOD	GOD IS SHEPHERD AND PROTECTOR, GOD IS SERVANT AND GOD IS PATIENT AND SELF-CONTROLLED
4	STEWARDSHIP	GOD IS RESOURCEFUL, GOD IS FAITHFUL AND GOD IS OUR PROVIDER

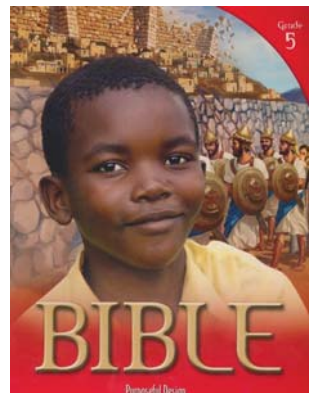
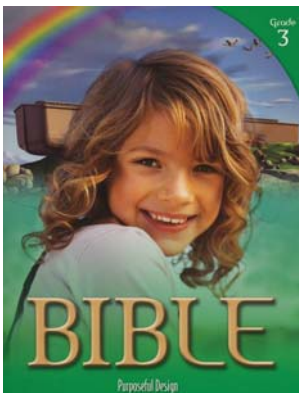
1. ACSI PURPOSEFUL DESIGN BIBLE EDUCATION CURRICULUM

JUNIOR PRIMARY

The Bible Education Curriculum follows the umbrella focus and character qualities of God presented in stories and character studies from the Bible.

SENIOR PRIMARY

The ACSI Purposeful Design curriculum is followed throughout the Senior Primary and is an examinable subject. This subject is taught and examined in the medium of English as from Grade 4. The curriculum covers parts of the Old and New Testament, Bible knowledge and personal application in everyday life situations.



2. ASSEMBLY

TIMES OF THE ASSEMBLIES

Junior Primary: Monday morning.

Senior Primary: Tuesday morning.

There are five or six assemblies per term.



CONTENT OF THE ASSEMBLIES

GENERAL

There is time to honour those that have had a birthday, share special news and welcome visitors. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend assemblies.

DISCIPLESHIP BADGES

Discipleship badges are handed out as affirmation to 1 or 2 children per class. These children are called forward by their teacher and honoured for the way in which they have demonstrated growth in character or Godly character qualities during the previous week.

WORSHIP

Vibrant praise with lots of action and dancing is followed by a deeper, quieter time of worship.

MESSAGE

The main teaching emphasis is on the umbrella focus for the term and is concentrated specifically on deepening the children's knowledge and experience of the specific character quality being covered at the time. (see table on page 2)
The assemblies are teacher-led and the message could be delivered by a guest speaker or teacher.

PRAYER AND MINISTRY

Specific time is created for prayer and ministry for those children that would like it. Teachers, guest speakers and parents that are visiting for that assembly pray for the children.

"HOMESLICE" GROUPS

In the Senior Primary the message is further consolidated in "homeslice groups" - much like a cell group - made up of a mixture of Grade 4, 5 and 6 pupils with a Grade 6 leader.

CLASSROOM CONSOLIDATION

After the assembly there is also a time of debriefing in class where the children can share their feelings and thoughts regarding what they have experienced. There is also a worksheet for them to complete and paste in their Bible Education books.

3. BIBLICAL INTEGRATION PER SUBJECT

The Primary School works with an Umbrella Focus for each term underpinned by Character Qualities of God.

These character qualities are worked into morning devotions and assemblies. They are also specifically planned into each subject area as well as being reinforced in teachable moments as they arise.

Additional Biblical Integration is also worked into lessons as fitting. This is both planned and incidental. The Bible comes alive as a resource tool. The children are encouraged and guided to look at their subject matter from a Biblical Worldview.

4. REGISTER PERIOD

The register period, of fifteen minutes daily, is used by the teachers to touch base with the children each morning. It is a time of devotional reading and prayer as the children bring their prayer requests. It is also a time to work through any issues that might arise in class or on the playground. The Character Qualities of God serve as a guideline for the devotionals. In the Grade 5 and 6 classes these character qualities are further worked out and applied in weekly accountability groups and quiet times. Accountability groups encourage a culture of honour, allow the children time to examine their behaviour and character as well as being held accountable to carry through on their commitment to change. In the quiet times we follow the Discipleship Bible Study (DBS) method and use Scripture, Observation, Application and Prayer (the SOAP model) to instil a habit of listening to and waiting on God for personal guidance and growth.

5. DISCIPLESHIP REPORTS

Discipleship reports are issued alongside academic reports. These reports focus on character growth in our children. The teachers work together in building, moulding, motivating and guiding the children in growth of character. This is based on our umbrella focus, teachable moments, via discipline and in just spending time getting to know the children. Reports are issued in June and December.

We join hands with parents in growing and developing these areas of character growth in their children.

6. OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

JUNIOR PRIMARY

The Junior Primary reaches out to various retirement villages in the community. They visit the retirement villages once a term. Their programme includes singing and praying for the elderly, presenting specific items (music/ poetry/ reading/ drama) and giving hand-made cards. The goal is for the pupils to learn to reach out, share with, socialise with and pray for elderly people in the community.

SENIOR PRIMARY

The Grade 4 classes reach out to Jack and Jill Playschool in Morningstar. The class prepares a Bible lesson (told with pictures or through a play/ skit), worksheets and games to play with the little ones. They also visit Green Pastures Retirement Village to bless, entertain, interact and pray with the residents.

The Grade 5 and 6 classes reach out to a local primary school through structured lessons that build one-on-one relationships and teach about the Bible. At the close of the year they have the opportunity of leading their buddy to Christ or confirming their salvation. This outreach is currently undergoing a time of restructuring due to WCED time constraints on government schools.



7. HONOURING NIGHT



At the end of the each year, the students are given an opportunity to honour God. Students bring honour to God, both corporately and individually, through Worship, Music, Drama, Dance and Art. This is always a highlight on the Discipleship calendar.



ASSEMBLY WITH A VISITING RUSSIAN MISSIONARY FAMILY AND OPEN DOORS MINISTRY



HONOURING NIGHT



GRADE 4 OUTREACH TO JACK AND JILL PLAYSCHOOL



“Even a child is known by his
actions, by whether his conduct
is pure and right.”

PROVERBS 20:11 (NIV)

