

## Toddler Group Planning - Year 2

### Summer Term

This terms' planning explores Jesus' friends and stories.

The first half term explores ascension, Pentecost, and stories of Peter, Stephen and Philip. After half term the sessions explore Paul's conversion and his travels.

### Stories

Stories in the planning can be found in most children's Bibles and **feel free to use any versions** that suit the age of your children and your group. The planning makes reference to stories in **The Big Bible Storybook**. **The Play-Along Bible** also has good versions that make it easy to share stories with under 5's.

Occasionally other stories may be suggested throughout, these can usually be found cheaply online, with links provided. Again, use your own versions to fit with the theme if you have them.

### Sensory Play

The planning includes weekly ideas for structured or sensory play. Young children learn through play and through their senses. Having opportunities for them to engage with themes in the story throughout the session can help to both develop their spirituality and help them understand the story.



**First Half Term**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Story</b>	<b>Talk about...</b>	<b>Craft Activity</b>	<b>Structured/ Sensory play</b>	<b>Prayer Time</b>
Week 1	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Jesus goes to heaven</b> <b>BBSB p220</b>	Jesus going back up to heaven to be with his Father God. Although we can't see Jesus he is still with us. We can talk to him.	Ascension bubble bottle or prayer spirals.  <a href="https://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/search/label/Ascension">https://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/search/label/Ascension</a>	Blowing bubbles or balloon play.	Dear God, Thank you that we can talk to you at anytime, anywhere and you hear our prayers. Amen.
Week 2	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Early one morning - Pentecost.</b> <b>BBSB p221</b>	Read the story. Tell the children that God had sent his Holy Spirit to help them. He can help us too.	Flame headband  Flame blow painting  <a href="https://methodistchildrencreativeministry.org/tag/pentecost/">https://methodistchildrencreativeministry.org/tag/pentecost/</a>	Pentecost basket  windmills  <a href="https://methodistchildrencreativeministry.org/tag/pentecost/">https://methodistchildrencreativeministry.org/tag/pentecost/</a>	Dear God, We thank you that your holy spirit is with us to help us. Amen.
Week 3	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Healing the lame man</b> <b>BBSB p223</b>	Peter and John were Jesus' friends. They wanted to tell everyone about Jesus. They healed a man who couldn't walk.	Man craft <a href="https://i.pinimg.com/originals/98/b/e/da/98bedaefac0a8eedf7dd1a50fa8a6c12.jpg">https://i.pinimg.com/originals/98/b/e/da/98bedaefac0a8eedf7dd1a50fa8a6c12.jpg</a>	Lining paper on floor. Children can walk in paint and make footprints.  Role play – doctors/ vets making people better.	Dear God, Please heal those people that we know that are poorly or need your help. Amen.

Week 4	Jesus' friends	Stephen is chosen BBSB P226	Stephen helps to share the food. Are we good at sharing? Who can we share with?	I am special doll <a href="http://thefilesofmrse.com/archives/1346">http://thefilesofmrse.com/archives/1346</a>  Making clay food or real bread on serving trays.  <a href="http://www.jesus-without-language.net/creating-deacons-servants-of-need-acts-6-make/">http://www.jesus-without-language.net/creating-deacons-servants-of-need-acts-6-make/</a>	Food play. Picnic food.  Activities/ chores for the children to complete.	Dear God, Thank you for making us all special and giving us things we are good at. Help us to use those gifts. Amen
Week 5	Jesus' friends	Philip BBSB p227	Philip was sent to go to a road and he didn't know why he was sent there. God had sent him to that place to tell the Ethiopian man about Jesus. He gave him a job to do. What things do you think God would like you to do? (be kind, share, tell people about Jesus?)	Marshmallow carriage  <a href="https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/32651166020295077/">https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/32651166020295077/</a>  Junk modelling carriage or template. <a href="https://www.jesus-without-language.net/wp-content/cache/page_enhanced/www.jesus-without-language.net//philip-ethiopian-acts-8-make//_index.html_gzip">https://www.jesus-without-language.net/wp-content/cache/page_enhanced/www.jesus-without-language.net//philip-ethiopian-acts-8-make//_index.html_gzip</a>	Journey play – cars, trains etc.  Build a carriage out of boxes/ chairs etc.	Dear God, Help us to be kind to people and to share and to love as you do. Amen.

**Second Half Term**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Story</b>	<b>Talk about...</b>	<b>Craft Activity</b>	<b>Structured/ Sensory play</b>	<b>Prayer Time</b>
Week 1	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Paul meets Jesus BBSB p232</b>	Paul didn't want to know Jesus but God was with him wanting to be his friend. Then Paul wanted to be a friend of Jesus. Who are our friends? What makes a good friend?	I am a friend of God headband  <a href="https://biblestoryprintables.com/bible-crafts/">https://biblestoryprintables.com/bible-crafts/</a>  Letting the light in scratch art. <a href="http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/search/label/Paul">http://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/search/label/Paul</a>	Light and dark – torches. Sensory toys.	Dear God, We thank you that you are our friend. Be close to us always. Amen.
Week 2	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Barnabas helps Paul BBSB p233</b>	Barnabas helped Paul. They travelled everywhere to tell people about Jesus. How do you help people? Do you help your family?	Make a simple cross out of lollypop sticks to give someone. You can cut out bible verse cards as well to accompany these if wanted.  <a href="https://happyhomefairy.com/simple-cross-craft/">https://happyhomefairy.com/simple-cross-craft/</a>	Role play – helping to do jobs.  Dressing up – people who help us.	Dear God, Help us to tell people about you and your love. Amen.
Week 3	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Lydia joins the church BBSB p234</b>	Lydia was very rich, she had lots of money and riches because she made a special purple cloth that was made out of shells. (If you can have a sample of purple cloth to show the	Information on purple material that Lydia made. <a href="https://www.biblefunforkids.com/2012/12/lydia-seller-of-purple-cloth.html">https://www.biblefunforkids.com/2012/12/lydia-seller-of-purple-cloth.html</a>  Shell craft. Decorate or paint a shell. Real or cut	Sand or water play with shells.  A variety of materials/ scarves for the children to feel and play with.	Dear God, whether we have a little or a lot help us to know that we will know true

			children plus shells). Despite all this money she needed to know about Jesus. That made her truly happy. What makes you happy?	out shape of cardboard.		happiness through you. Amen.
Week 4	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Paul on a journey</b> <b>BBSB p238</b>	Paul went on a journey to tell people about Jesus. God helped him to be brave. Where have you been on a journey?	Paper plate boat <a href="http://itsallkidsplay.ca/paper-plate-boat-craft/">http://itsallkidsplay.ca/paper-plate-boat-craft/</a>	Water play.  Cars or other vehicles. Road mat or make roads using masking tape.	Dear God, We thank you for journeys that we go on with our families or friends. Amen.
Week 5	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Paul talks about Jesus</b> <b>BBSB p240</b>	Paul went to see King Agrippa. Paul told him about Jesus he wanted to know all about him. God helped him to be brave.	Jewel craft – crown, photo frame or picture.  Royal biscuits – ice biscuits with sweet jewels such as jelly beans, colourful sweets etc.	Dressing up clothes/ role play.	Dear God, Help us to be brave when we need to be. Amen
Week 6	<b>Jesus' friends</b>	<b>Paul writes letters</b> <b>BBSB p243</b>	Paul found a way another way to tell people about Jesus. He wrote letters.	Selection of paper and envelopes, stampers and pens. Allow the children to mark make and create their own letters.	Play dough – cut out letters/ shapes for mark making.  Post office role play.	Dear God, Let us find lots of ways to tell people about you and your love. Amen.