LETTERS FROM A KIDS CHURCH LEADER

Dear Kid's Church,

It's hard to believe the summer is nearly over and at long last you are going back to school. The last few months have been very strange haven't they? And maybe at times a little bit frightening? It has been very strange for me too. I have really missed seeing you all on a Sunday. I have been sad that we haven't been able to be together as a church family. I hope you have missed that too.



When I was younger I loved comics and cartoons and films with super heroes in them like Superman, Batman or Spiderman. I loved their adventures and their battles against the bad guys. But even these superheroes had their own personal weaknesses, for Superman it was Kryptonite.

I know you have been looking at some of the heroes of the Bible and hopefully you have learned that none of them were perfect, they all had their personal weaknesses and fears just like you and I do. What made them special was their faith in God's promise that he would one day send a real hero to rescue all of us. Today you will be looking at the only real superhero in the Bible and the world – and that Is Jesus.



In Jesus we have one who is all powerful and able to overcome every enemy. He showed us that when he not only died for us but rose again. He is the one who is perfect in all of his ways and so he is the only that we should worship. The Bible says, "We must keep our eyes on Jesus, who leads us and makes our faith complete. He endured the shame of being nailed to a cross, because he knew that later on he would be glad he did. Now he is seated at the right side of God's throne!" (Hebrews 12:2). As you go back to school this week it is good to know that we can look to Jesus and trust in him and his power to watch over us

and protect us.

Finally I want to say a huge thank you to Nikki and your Kid's Church Leaders for all their work in preparing your Kid's Church resources over the last few months. I hope it is not too long before we can all be together again as a church family in Railway Street!

The Lord bless you and keep you,

Michael Davidson



Challenge:

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." John 3:17

(NIV – we know you love to add this in!)

When you are trying to remember this verse, why don't you try repeating it over and over, challenge your parents or siblings to say it or write it out.

Sing-A-Long:

Here is a little song to sing and dance along to, we hope you enjoy it!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7-pQrQBI k

Bible Story:

"Heroes of Faith" based on Hebrews 11 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlgXVihi S8) is the series that Kids Church are going to focus on over the summer! We will learn about a different person from Hebrews 11 who demonstrated faith and this week we finish our series by reading about the ultimate hero, Jesus. Watch the video below and read Matthew 26:36-46.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9y2p0CAUfUw

Jesus is our ultimate superhero. We have said this from the beginning of our series. The other people who were studied had flaws and sinned, but Jesus doesn't. He showed faith in so many different accounts in the bible, it was hard to pick just one story today. When Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane, He went up to pray to God. He prayed that God's will should be done. Despite the painful sacrifice Jesus was about to make, His prayer was that He would do what was required of Him. He lived out His faith in his everyday life, but He also displayed it on the cross. God saved us from sin through Jesus.

Sometimes we might read the bible and wonder how it impacts us today but we know that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is the reason we have faith in God. God keeps his promises. He guides our steps. He protects us. We hope that you have learned how loving and powerful God is and that you continue to trust in Him.

Craft:

Every superhero needs their very own cape. Today we would love for you to design your own with the template at the end of this booklet.

What you will need: Card, scissors, colouring pencils and any decorating materials you have.



- 1. The template for this craft is at the back of this booklet.
- 2. Decorate as you wish!
- 3. We would love to see your creations, please take a photo and send to steven@railwaystreet.org



Worksheet. Over the last number of weeks, we have seen different ways that people have displayed their faith in big ways. What are some of the things that you can do (little or large) to demonstrate your faith in God? Draw or write in the box below.

Prayer:

Dear God,

Thank you for Jesus and the example He gives us to follow every day. Thank you that He is our ultimate hero of faith! We pray for help whenever we feel like our faith is shaky, that we remember that Jesus is always with us.

For your glory and our good, Amen.

The End:

We hope that this summer series has taught you lots about what it means to have faith in God. God willing, we will be back to Kids Church on the 13th September and even though it will look a little different than before, we can't wait to see you! As a thank you for sticking with us throughout, we have included a certificate for you at the end of this booklet. Print it out, write down your name and pop it in a frame. Display it in your house as a way of reminding you that even though we were separated, you were never alone and your Church community loves you. We hope you have learned more about Jesus and your faith is growing. God loves each of you.

Nikki, Ben, Katie, Mark, Lois, Abigail, Judith, Ruth and John!

Other Resources:

The Bible Project are sending out weekly family encouragements: https://bibleproject.com

Illustrated Ministry have lots of Free resources that can be used as well: https://www.illustratedministry.com/

Railway Street Presbyterian Church: http://www.facebook.com/RailwayStreetPC

Hope for Youth Ministries are doing assemblies on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays: https://www.facebook.com/hopeforyouthministries/

She Reads Truth have a Kids Read Truth section with a free digital download, 'Kids Read Matthew.' This is a daily scripture and activity book, follow the link below to download: https://shereadstruth.com/downloads/

Made for More have an Encounters with Jesus booklet which can be requested from steven@railwaystreet.org



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-WHATEVER YOU DO, DO IT ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.- 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31B (NIV)

Certificate of Participation

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

participated in Kids Church during a pandemic! Well done!

You are wonderful!

