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Quarterly Prize: Jones Soda & Chips (see info about Quarterly Prizes to know requirements.)



2023 - 2024 Newsletter

The AWANA Truth & Training program is designed to allow us to develop a deeper relationship with the kids and help them to build a spiritual discipline in their relationship with Jesus. Parents, we are excited to get to know each child and help them dig deeper in God's Word. We need you to help encourage your child to work on his/her lesson and memory verse **at home**. Building a habit of spending time in God's Word everyday has an eternal impact that will benefit your child's relationship with Jesus! Listed below are some of the highlights of the program.

- **Small Groups** The overall program promotes a small group atmosphere. Kids with be placed in small groups to review handbook activities, have a discussion on a specific topic, recite their memory verse, and have prayer time.
- Handbooks Everyone will be given a handbook and a specific section will be assigned each week (See calendar on back). Kids have four parts to complete:
 - (1) Sharing a personal experience
 - (2) Answering questions from a Bible devotion
 - (3) Memorizing a new verse
 - (4) Review last week's verse
- **Lessons** This year's theme is **"Evidence of Grace"**. The large group lesson will elaborate on the work the kids have done in their handbooks, and the discussion in their Small Group.
- **Quarterly Prizes** If a clubber completes a whole unit within a quarter and has 100 points, they will earn a Jones soda & chips. (See page 3 for requirements.)
- Awards We will continue to offer small incentives to encourage your kids to complete their sections and to stay on track for completing their handbook. If your child completes the required sections (see schedule) and finishes the book, we offer the option of a year-end outing and certificate **OR** receiving the official book award from AWANA. We will send information home towards the end of the AWANA year for you to make your choice.

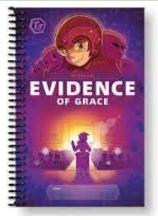


FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What are Theme nights? We have a range of themes from dress up, missions focused activities, crafts, special treats, and verse contests each quarter. Contest nights allow kids that have no missing sections more chances to win a prize. Participating in themes helps them to earn points for the quarterly prize.
- How do I find out what the theme is? You can find this info out on our 'Wellspring AWANA' Facebook page, the church app, the Quarterly newsletter, and on nightly handouts.
- What if my child misses a night? If your child misses a night, be sure to follow the schedule and prepare the section assigned for the night on which you return. We feel it is more important that the kids work together as a group so that their small group time can be most effective. To catch up on missed sections, after check-in, we have "Fast Track". This is in the cafeteria where leaders are ready to listen to sections that have been missed or work ahead if they know they are going to miss a week.
- What if my child wants to do extra work? They can do the Silvers and Golds at the end of each unit. In order to get a medal, they must complete ALL of one color(s).
- How can I help my child? Encourage the kids to complete these handbook activities and learn the verses during the week <u>at home</u>. At Awana, "Handbook" time will be spent reviewing the assigned section and working together in a small group to share and discuss what they have learned.

We are so excited for this program. We want to focus on the kids relationship with Jesus Christ their Saviour. We want to partner with you, so if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

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Quarterly Prize: Kids need to have all sections in the unit completed by the end of each quarter and have earned 100 points. Points can be earned by attending (5), wearing your shirt(5), bringing your book(5) and Bible(5), and participating in theme nights(5).

Monthly Prize:

Kids are entered into a monthly drawing if they wear their shirt and/or bring their Bible.

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2023/2024 Schedule of nightly assigned sections