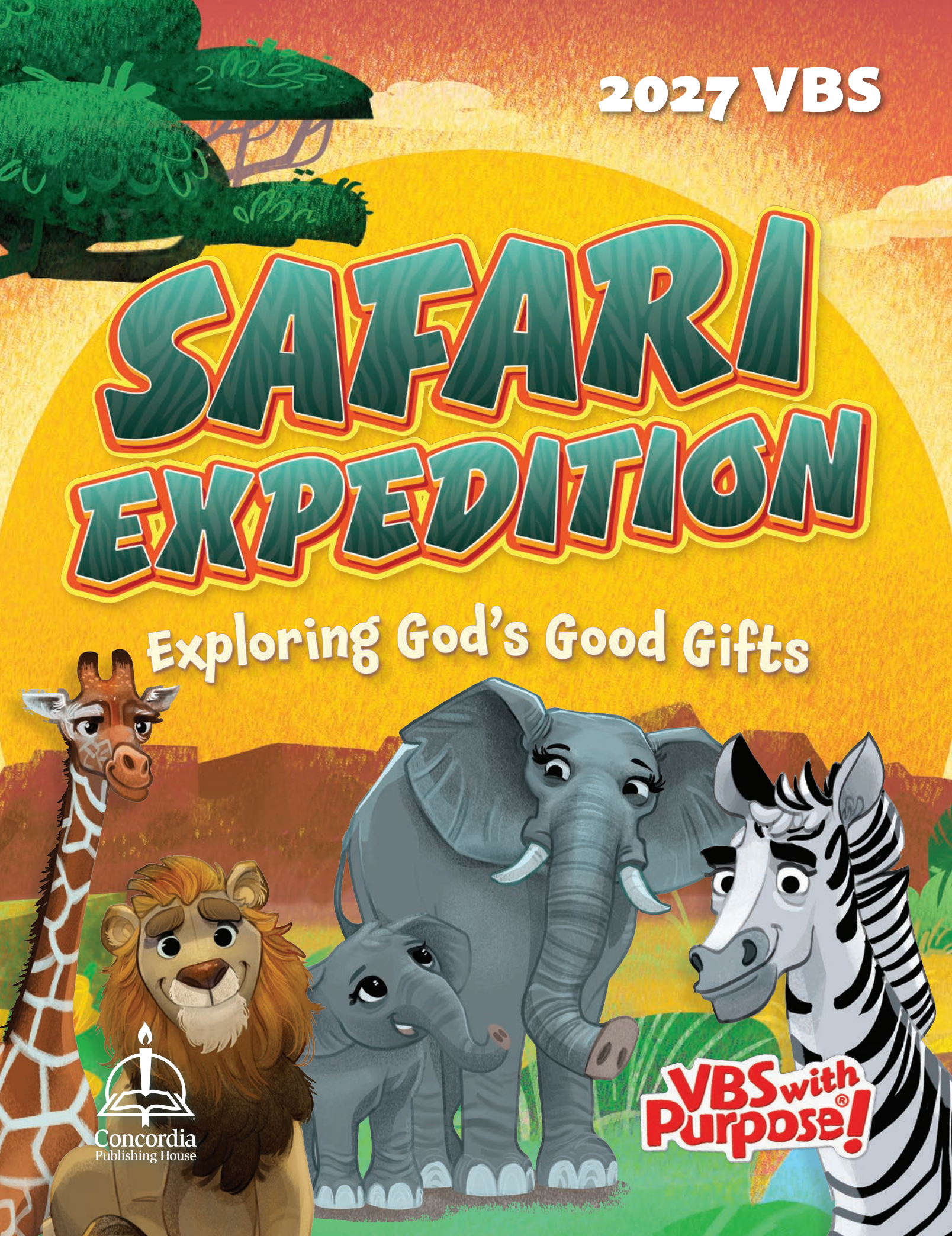
2027 VBS

# SAFARI EXPEDITION

## Exploring God's Good Gifts



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VBS with Purpose®!

# Explore God's good gifts—given from above!

At *Safari Expedition* VBS, there's so much to discover—grasslands, watering holes, and amazing animals like lions, elephants, giraffes, and zebras. Wherever we go, we remember that "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above" (James 1:17).

The Bible is full of true accounts of God caring for His people, giving food, a home, forgiveness, and protection—and He still does the same for us. At *Safari Expedition* VBS, kids explore five Bible accounts that show how God provides, from daily blessings to salvation through Jesus!

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| **Elijah and the Widow of Zarephath**<br>*1 Kings 17:8–16* | **God Calls Abram**<br>*Genesis 12:1–9* | **Jesus Welcomes the Children**<br>*Mark 10:13–16* | **Jesus Forgives the Thief on the Cross**<br>*Luke 23:32–43* | **An Angel Rescues Peter from Prison**<br>*Acts 12:6–19* |
| **God gives me food and drink.** | **God gives me a house and a home.** | **God gives me family and friends.** | **God gives me forgiveness and eternal life.** | **God gives me protection from danger and evil.** |
| **The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season.**<br>*Psalm 145:15* | **For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.**<br>*Hebrews 3:4* | **Let the children come to Me . . . for to such belongs the kingdom of God.**<br>*Mark 10:14* | **For You, O Lord, are good and forgiving.**<br>*Psalm 86:5* | **God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.**<br>*Psalm 46:1* |

Scripture: ESV®



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# Starter Kit

## Your Expedition Companion

Don't head into the wild unprepared. The comprehensive *Safari Expedition Starter Kit* has everything you need!

## Inside the Starter Kit

Set out on your *Safari Expedition* with a *Starter Kit* designed to guide you every step of the way.

- Director Guide*
- Director USB
- Individual Site Leader Guides*
  - Opening & Closing
  - Early Childhood Storytelling
  - Elementary Storytelling
  - Crafts
  - Snacks
  - Games
  - Bible Exploration
  - Music
- Crafts for every day*
- Decorating Posters*
- Music with Song-Action and Lyric Videos
  - Five Theme Songs with Videos
  - Five Bible Memory Verse Songs with Videos
- Passalong Music Download Card*
- Student Essentials*
- Mission Project Flyer
- Digital Access to *Starter Kit* Materials

* Also available to purchase separately.

**322743** **$224.99**




### Director Guide

This is your go-to resource for planning and executing your VBS. It includes everything from schedule options and safety concerns to tips for recruiting volunteers, registering kids, and more! Included in the *Starter Kit*.

**322762** **$29.99**

### Director USB

Access a wealth of resources in a digital format with the Director USB:

- PowerPoint Slides
- Music Components
- Leader Guides
- Videos
- Art Files
- And more!




*Included in the* Starter Kit.
*Not available to purchase separately.*

# Student Essentials

## Safari keepsakes that remind kids of God's good gifts!



### Temporary Tattoos

Let kids proudly wear their favorite safari animals as temporary tattoos! Pack of 12.

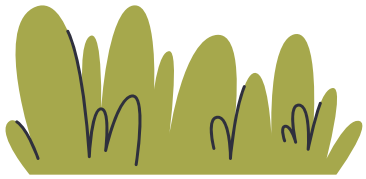
**322717** **$9.99**

### Elephant Key Chains

Clip these charming plush key chains onto backpacks or other accessories. Pack of 5.

**322726** **$12.99**






### Iron-On Transfers

Easily and economically create your own VBS T-shirts for your staff and students. Pack of 12.

**322797** **$34.99**

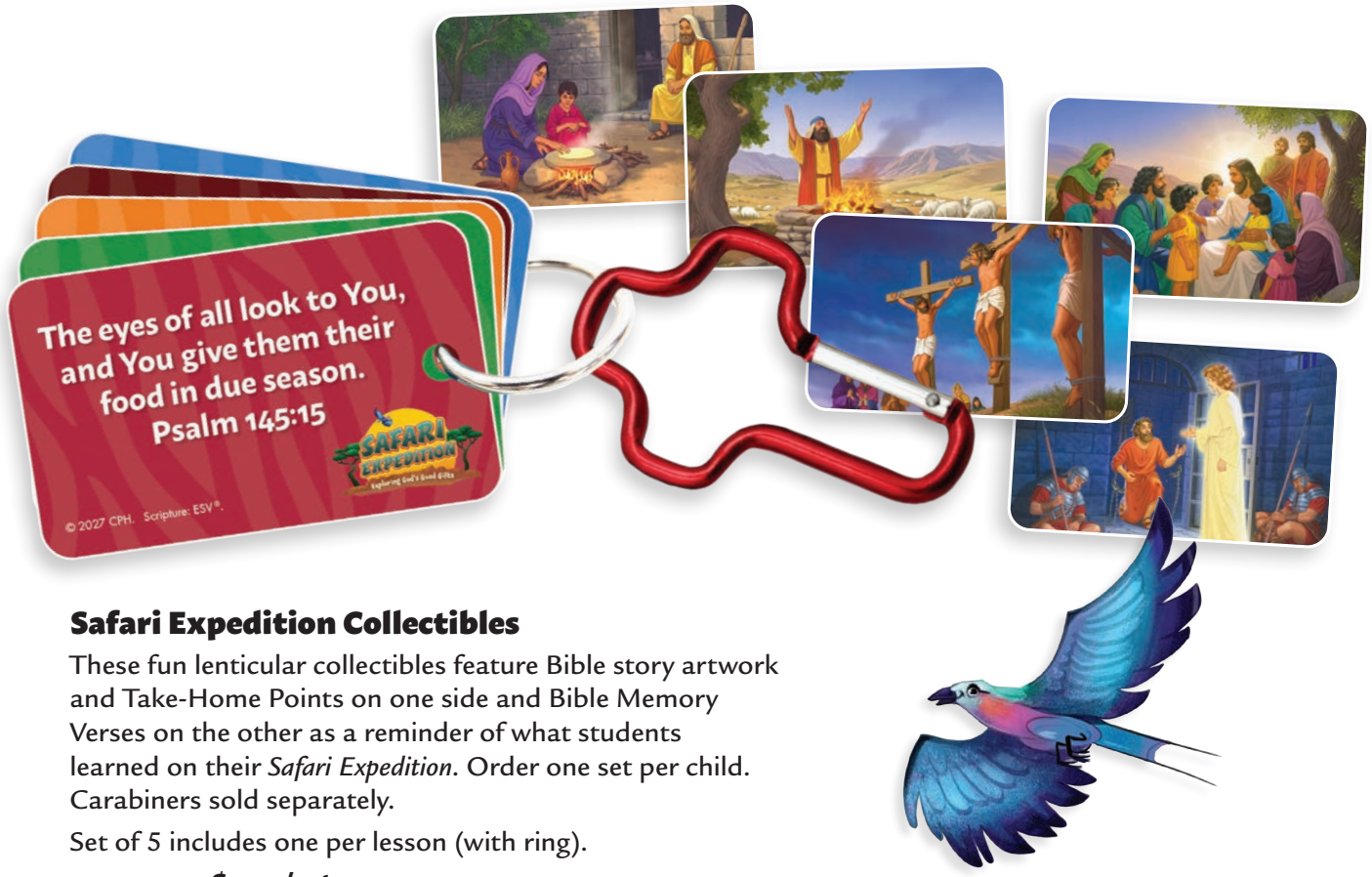





### Sticker Sheets

Decorate clothes, notebooks, and more with captivating stickers. Pack of 10.

**322757** **$9.99**




## Safari Expedition Collectibles

These fun lenticular collectibles feature Bible story artwork and Take-Home Points on one side and Bible Memory Verses on the other as a reminder of what students learned on their *Safari Expedition*. Order one set per child. Carabiners sold separately.

Set of 5 includes one per lesson (with ring).

**322720** **$3.99/set**



## Cross Carabiners

Pack of 10.

**322618** **$9.99**




NEW!

## God Gives Good Gifts Wristbands

Remind children of God's goodness with these colorful reversible wristbands. Pack of 10.

**322723** **$9.99**




## Child of God Team Identifiers

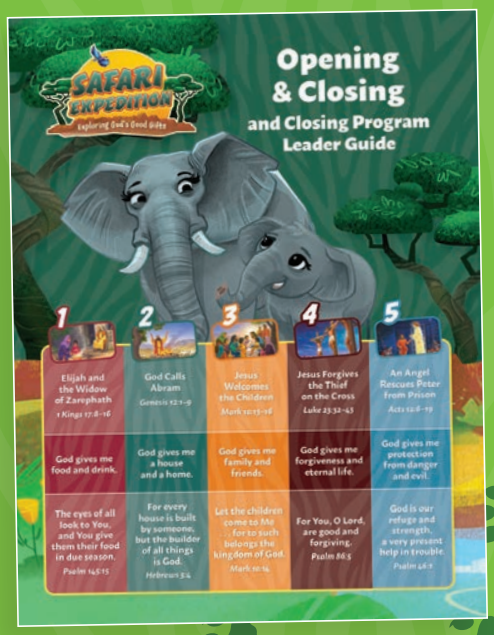
Color coordinate your VBS teams with these colorful buffs. Pack of 10 (two each of five assorted colors).

**322123** **$17.99**

# Opening & Closing and Music

## Safari sounds and songs!

Energetic theme songs and action videos get kids up, moving, and ready for *Safari Expedition*! At the start and close of each day, children gather to connect, pray, dance, and sing praises to Jesus.




### Opening & Closing Leader Guide

This guide equips leaders to get the expedition going and solidify each day's Bible teaching with scripts, prayers, songs, and skits.

**322745** **$29.99**




### Passalong Music Download Card

Send lively VBS music home so children can remember what they learned and enjoy it with their families. Buy one card for each family to redeem online.

**322786** **$5.99**




### Music Leader Guide

This guide includes Leader Basics, Theme Song scores, Early Childhood Song scores, Bible Memory Verse Song scores, and all song lyrics.

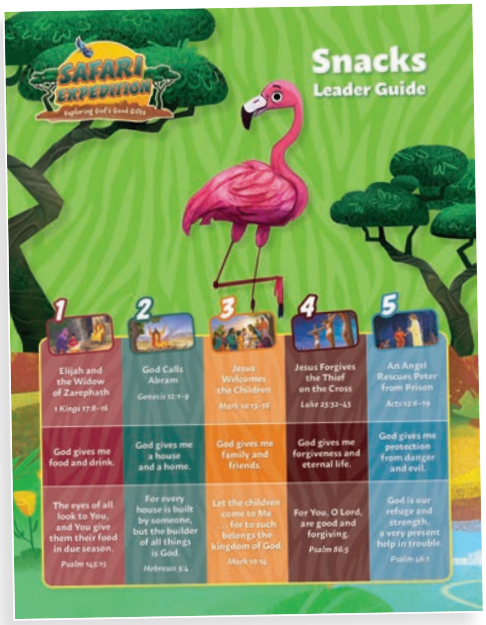
**322735** **$29.99**



# Snacks

## Good gifts to taste and enjoy!

Each snack connects to the daily lesson—from Daily Bread Bites to Angel on Guard—to help kids remember key moments from each Bible account.






### Snacks Leader Guide

This guide offers tips for setup, allergies, and more, in addition to straightforward instructions for each day. Four additional snack ideas are featured on the back page for even more food fun!

**322748** **$14.99**

# Games

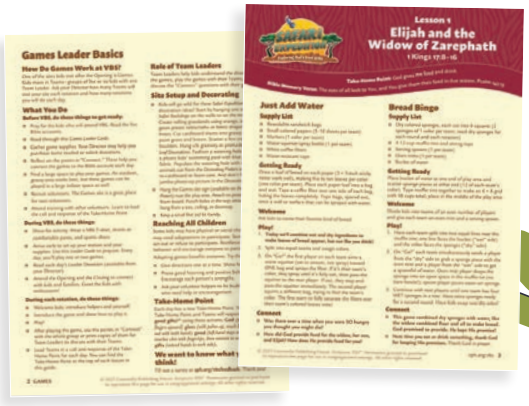
## Set out for action-packed safari fun!




### Games Leader Guide

Ensure a fun and safe Games site with this guide's supply lists, instructions, and Bible connections. Each day has two game options, and there are a few bonus games on the back page!

**322749** **$14.99**



# Storytelling

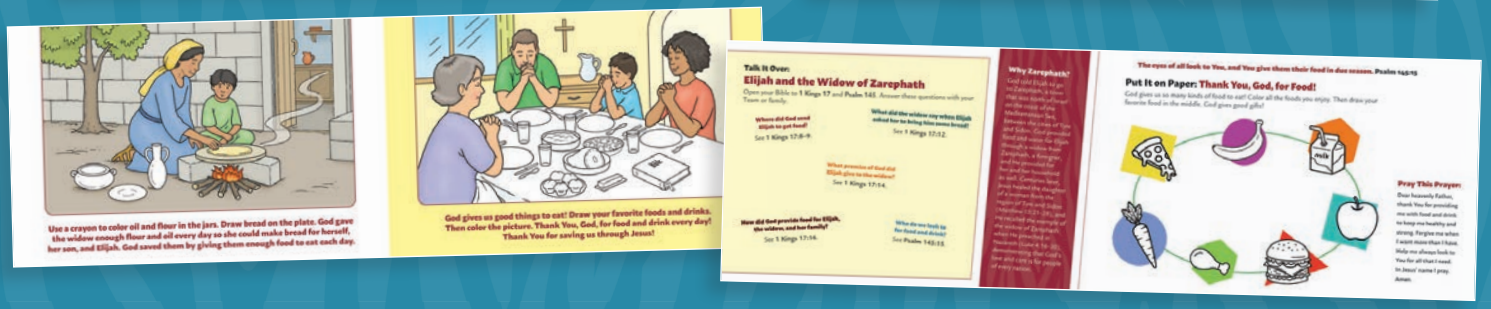
## Bible stories brought to life!

Immerse kids in five Bible accounts that highlight God's care for His people in every situation.










### Early Childhood Leaflets

These hands-on leaflets are made for kids ages 3–5. Use during Storytelling time and send home to connect with families. Devotions help families talk about Jesus at home. Order one set per child.

**322760** **$3.49**

### Elementary Leaflets

Engage kids in grades K–5 with leaflets to connect Bible truths with kids' lives. Use during Storytelling and send home to strengthen connection and devotional habits. Order one set per child.

**322763** **$3.49**




### Early Childhood Storytelling Leader Guide

Intuitive lesson preparation, scripts, action rhymes, and prayers make teaching God's Word engaging, memorable, active, and fun! For teaching children ages 3–5.

**322700** **$24.99**

### Elementary Storytelling Leader Guide

This guide features easy-to-use lesson preparation, fun story introductions, scripts, interactive storytelling, and discussion prompts. For teaching grades K–5.

**322747** **$24.99**

# Bible Exploration

## Hands-on discoveries!

The Bible Exploration site uses engaging science demonstrations to reinforce lessons from each day's Bible account.

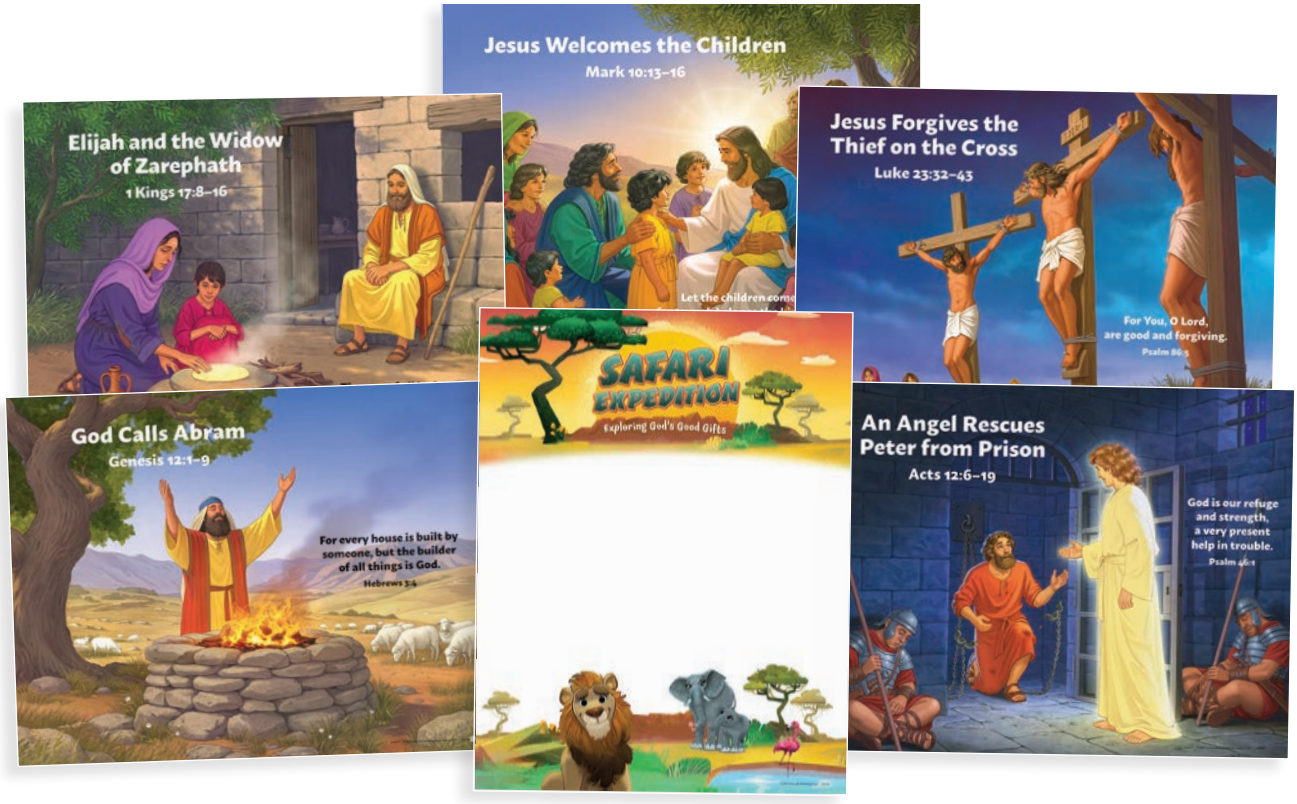



### Bible Exploration Leader Guide

Get all the information you need—supply lists, Bible Memory Verses, instructions, Bible story connections, and prayers—for your science demonstrations in this easy-to-use guide.

**322746** **$24.99**






### Bible Story and Publicity Posters

Vivid, realistic illustrations reinforce each day's Bible lesson, plus an extra publicity poster helps you promote your VBS! Set of 6. 22" × 17".

**322796** **$14.99**

# Crafts

## Create your own safari crafts!

Each day, kids make creative crafts tied to the Bible stories. When they see their crafts, they'll remember how God provides for His children. Samples of crafts are included in the *Starter Kit*.




### Crafts Leader Guide

Included supply lists, welcome scripts, Bible connections, instructions, and closings equip your Crafts crew for success.

**322733** **$14.99**

### God Bless My Home Pendant Craft

God gives us a house and a home! Create wooden pendants to wear or display. Pack of 12.

**322775** **$10.99**







### God Provides Window Cling Craft

Decorate a window cling with permanent markers as a reminder of God's provision and love. Pack of 12.

**322773** **$10.99**

## Take kids' crafts to the next level with these supplies.



### Rainbow Craft Sand (8 colors)

Covers approximately 100 boards.

**321378** **$32.99**



### Parachute Jewelry Buckle

Buckles are 1" × 3/8". Pack of 100.

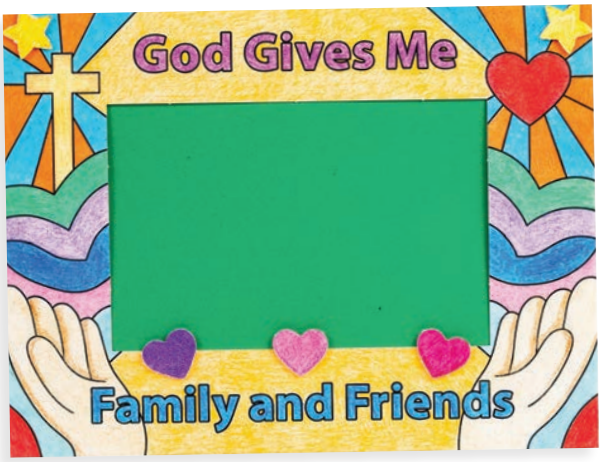
**321736** **$24.99**



### Opaque Pony Beads (3/8")

Approximately 2,000 beads.

**321376** **$11.99**




### Family and Friends Photo Frame Craft

Display God's gift of family and friends with this personalized photo frame craft, designed to reflect each child's unique family. Pack of 12.

**322772** **$10.99**



### Jesus Gives New Life Sand Art Craft

Jesus forgives our sins and gives us new life! Decorate a sunrise with sand (sold separately) as a joyful reminder of new life, like the dawn of a new day. Pack of 12.

**322771** **$10.99**



### God Protects Me Glasses Craft

Create fun "sunglasses" as a reminder that God gives us protection from danger and evil! Pack of 12.

**322774** **$10.99**

### Tipped Yarn Laces

Laces are 36". 6 dozen.

**321386** **$8.99**

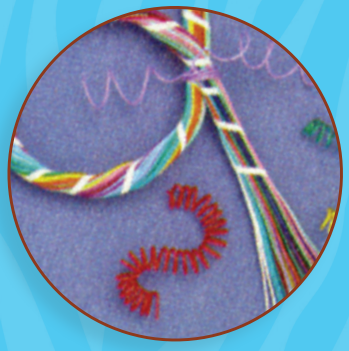


### Adhesive Back Geometric Jewels

Jewels are 1/2". Approximately 500 pieces.

**321787** **$12.99**





### Twisteezwire®

Sculpture wire is 30". 13 colors. Pack of 50.

**320973** **$14.99**



### Jumbo Adhesive Jewels

Jewels are 1". Approximately 100 pieces.

**321788** **$8.99**





### Decorating Posters

Set of 4. 60" × 43" each. Animals pictured above.

**322753** **$24.99**

### Safari Sunrise Backdrop

This decorative staple transforms your environment into a warm *Safari Expedition*! Measures 30' × 8'. Pictured above.

**322721** **$49.99**




### Animal Print Decorations

Bring the wild of the grasslands to your VBS! Pack of 24.

**322708** **$9.99**



### NEW! Safari Whirls

Create a memorable experience from every angle. Pack of 12.

**322719** **$8.49**






NEW! **VBS Floor Clings**

Carry the VBS theme at every step. Pack of 12.

**322793** **$19.99**

**Safari Sunset Backdrop**

Great for photos or adding an immersive safari backdrop to your space. Measures 9' × 6'.

**322758** **$21.99**






**Mounting Tabs**

Stick to most surfaces with no residue. Order one pack per backdrop. Pack of 32.

**321216** **$6.75**

**Safari Hanging Lanterns**

Hang anywhere to give your space a safari feel! Pack of 12.

**322790** **$21.99**



# Leader Essentials

## Organize and advertise your VBS!




NEW!

### VBS Name Tags

Connect students and volunteers. Pack of 150.

**322799** **$19.99**




NEW!

### VBS Postcards

Promote your VBS, invite participants, or thank volunteers and families with these multipurpose postcards. Customizable template included on the Director USB. Pack of 24.

**322709** **$9.99**




NEW!

### VBS Tote Bags

A great gift for leaders, families, and volunteers. Pack of 5.

**322754** **$19.99**

# VBSMate

## Free Event Management Tool

This free organization system equips your team to create, oversee, and share your event with ease.

### Event Management

Use the event builder to create a custom website that will allow you to distribute information about your event and makes registration easy for parents and volunteers.

### Student Organization

Sign up, gather information, and prepare groups. Utilize tools that help you to keep track and prepare for students. This system makes it easy to get accurate, consistent information directly from parents and to follow up with families.

### Volunteer Coordination

Organize your volunteers and assign them to roles. Get the feedback you need from volunteers to make improvements and continue with what works well!




### Reports and Administrative Tools

Generate quick rosters, summaries, and emergency information to distribute to leaders and make sign-in smooth. Use this information to make custom reports tailored to your event's needs.

### Promotional Resources

Share your event with your church and community by using free downloadable resources. These tools make it easy to find relevant materials for your event.

## Get started at vbsmate.com!

# Wild About the Word:
## Taking God's Gifts to Kids Near and Far




Support a Gospel-focused mission project that fits perfectly with your *Safari Expedition* theme! *Wild About the Word* sends Christian books to communities all over the world through Concordia Gospel Outreach.




Learn more at concordiagospeloutreach.org/mission.

## By supporting *Wild About the Word*, you send books like these to children everywhere!



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