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The Power of Ideas

A couple of ideas observed by Shad Sluiter

1) Missionary Teaching

We visited Stark Road Sunday School. They were featuring missionary themes in their classes last summer.

For example:

Jonah and Paul are two Bible stories they taught. Definitely a noticeable contrast in Missionary styles.

Jim Clark recently gave a "lay person" missionary report of helping out in Tent Meetings and Childrens Meetings.

Dave Nesbit talked to the kids about being a missionary kid (MK) in St. Lucia.

Dan Shutt talked to the group about being a missionary in your own country

Naomi Joyce collected pictures and stories from Stephen Vance relating to his missionary work to the Chinese right in Toronto, Canada.

There were a few other people involved giving variety that spanned between Bible Teaching and the Present.

2) Power Point Songs

Jim Vallance also has a very organized method for the Sunday school songs. He has created an index to the songs with Excel with hyperlinks to PowerPoint slides. The setup uses a computer video projector so no plastic slides are needed. Jim doesn't spend 20 seconds between each song trying to find the next selection. He simply points and clicks to the next choice.

3)Textools

Ben Prins is about ready to launch his non-profit business www.textools.org – to help people with making relationship-building contacts using a personalized gospel text. It sounds like a good method to use in talking to Sunday School parents. We have a promise that it will be up and running April 1 and we are assured that that is no April Fools Joke either.

Perhaps we could also mention for your personal exploration along this same line that there are a 15 colour texts suitable for childrens work (plus other supplies) available from International Bible House—6 Beech St, Brampton, ON L6V 1V1

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STANDING ALONE—JOHNNY IS A CARING BOY

A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses. She started her class by saying, "Everyone who thinks you're stupid, stand up!"

After a few seconds, Little Johnny stood up. The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid, Little Johnny?"

"No, ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself!"