SKIT AND MUSIC FOR CAMP SUNDAY

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WHO: Children and adults, congregation WHAT: Skit and music for camp Sunday

WHEN: Used in place of the sermon; held prior to Bible camp

sessions

WHERE: In the sanctuary, in front if appropriate space

WHY: To encourage participation in attending camp; to

increase awareness of entire congregation about what camp is about; to show God's guidance in all we do;

optional, to raise funds for camp scholarships

HOW: Information following

SONGS LIST FOR CAMP SUNDAY

- 1. My God is so Great, So Strong and So Mighty
- 2. We are Walking in the Light of God
- 3. This Little Light of Mine
- 4. Ark-y, Ark-y
- 5. Beautiful Feet
- 6. I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy Down in my Heart
- 7. I Will Call Upon the Lord
- 8. Allelu

(This song gets the congregation moving. Split into two groups. One group is the Allelu's; the other group is the Praise's. When the word "Allelu" is sung, that group stands up to sing; when the words, "Praise ye..." are sung, that group stands up to sing. Sometimes it causes confusion, which in turn causes laughter. It's a lot of fun; even the elderly enjoy it!)

CHILDREN'S SERMON/SKIT FOR BIBLE CAMP SUNDAY

There could be several kids/adults involved, a mix of young and old. The idea is based on scripture and song and sends the message that in order to go on a journey, (in this case, the group is going to Bible Camp) you must be prepared. The skit begins with the group getting together with their camping gear; then asking for help and looking for their map for their journey. The story unfolds with the campers looking through their bags to find their maps; discovery of many camping related items which then inspire either a scripture verse and/or a song; and a conclusion. The congregation will have the words of the songs printed in their bulletin and will be encouraged to listen to the dialogue, and sing along with the songs as they hear them being sung. One of the campers should accompany the songs with guitar, and be ready to begin an introduction to the song immediately after the last words are spoken before the song is to begin. Young children (who usually come forward for the children's sermon) and adults who went to Bible Camp could come forward or this can be presented to the congregation without anyone coming forward.

Campers enter the congregation, coming from many directions. Also any children or adults may come forward at this time. The skit takes place in the center front of the sanctuary.

Camper 1: "This camping gear is too heavy." (DROPS THE BACKPACK, LOOKS TIRED AND DISGUSTED)

Camper 2: "Do we have to carry this all the way to camp?"

Camper 3: "I'm not strong enough for this. Who can we get to help us?"

SONG ONE MY GOD IS SO GREAT, SO STRONG AND SO MIGHTY

The remaining part of the skit uses campers (numbers 1-10) to pull camping supplies out of the backpack, and voices to read the scriptures.

- 1. (Looking through his/her backpack) "Oh! We forgot the map!!!" (Continue to look through the backpack) and then say, "There is one thing I do know, though". . . SONG TWO **WE ARE WALKING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD**
- 2. (Again, looking through the backpack) "Here is a flashlight, it's not a map, but it reminds me of something." (Look puzzled)

SCRIPTURE: "No one lights a lamp and hides it in a jar or puts it under a bed. Instead, he puts it on a stand, so that those who come in can see the light." LUKE 8:16 (This could be read by a voice not present in the group of

campers; or a voice which is heard over the P.A. system and not seen.)

SONG THREE THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

- 3. "Here's something." (Hold up a washcloth)
- 4. "What about this?" (Hold up a bar of soap)
- 5. "An umbrella, what could my mother have been thinking of when she packed this?" (feel free to laugh)

SONG FOUR ARK-Y, ARK-Y

- 6. "I think I found it. (pause) Ah . . . how will this help us get to camp?! (Hold up a clean pair of socks.)
- 7. (Hold up a pair of shoes)

SCRIPTURE: "How beautiful on the mountains are the FEET that bring good news." ISAIAH 52:7. (There is a song sung by Sandi Patti called, "Beautiful Feet" that would be great to use here.)

8. "Why did my mother pack (pause) . . . this isn't my pillow!! (pull out a heart pillow. Use one from a patient who has had heart surgery.)

SONG SIX: JOY, JOY, JOY, JOY DOWN IN MY HEART

- 9. "When all else fails, read the directions!!!! (This could be said by someone small and young.)
- 10. "I found it, I found it, I found the map to FORTUNE LAKE (insert the name of your camp here) BIBLE CAMP!!!!

LAST SONG: ALLELU

OFFERING

CLOSING PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER, SUNG or SPOKEN

BENEDICTION, SUNG or SPOKEN

FOLLOWING THE SERVICE, WE WILL HAVE A CAMPER'S MEAL OF HOT DOGS, CHIPS AND POP. (A free-will offering may be taken at the lunch to be used towards scholarships for campers)