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Standard Publishing	"Jungle Safari" – Where kids explore the nature of God	Psalm 86:9-12	--\$199.99 – inclusive kit --\$59.99 –economy pack --\$49.99 – Kids Serving Kids™ Super Simple Mission Kit	yes	Any	5 lessons	Music DIY Crafts Games Snacks	Preschool through Preteen, With Teen and Adult Bible Study material available	yes	Use with any version	--Back2Back Ministries - kid-friendly mission videos during Opening & Closing time --Also, a new segment of daily practical missions projects for kids to learn about and interact in	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
Group	"Weird Animals" Easy VBS– Where Jesus' love is one-of-a-kind	Various Verses on how Jesus Loves Us	--\$169.99 - Ultimate VBS Starter Kit	yes	Big	5 lessons	Music Science Crafts-ish Games Snacks	Preschool - Grade 6, Small 5-member multi-age groups	-	NLT	Operation Kid-to-kid – drinking water in India	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
	"Wilderness Escape" Holy Land Adventures — Where God Guides and Provides	Various verses on Trusting God	--\$139.99 – ultimate Starter Kit	yes	Small to Medium	5 lessons	Music Crafts Games Snacks	Small 5-member multi-age groups, Preschool - Grade 6 (Also allows for whole families to attend)	-	NLT	Operation Kid-to-kid – drinking water in India	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
	"Blast off!" Weekend VBS – "God loves us, so...love each other!"	"Let us continue to love one another." (1 John 4:7)	--\$67.99 – starter kit	yes	Medium to Large	3-day weekend program	Music Purposeful-crafts Games	Preschool - Grade 6, Small 5-member multi-age groups	-	NLT	Projects-with-a-Purpose – Kids make gifts to give away to others in the area	<a href="#">Facebook</a>
Gospel Light	"SonTreasure Island" – More precious than gold, more lasting than diamonds, it is the greatest treasure of all—God's love!	1 Corinthians 13 – God's love is giving, kind, caring, forgiving, and forever.	--\$169.99 – deluxe kit --\$99.99 – reproducible power pack -- \$89.99 – 3-day weekend VBS kit	yes, daily	Small to Medium	5-day program, day or night-time. Also has a 3-day weekend VBS available to purchase	Music DIY Crafts Games Snacks	Ages 2 through 12	-	NIV	The One Million Children Project at Gospel Light Worldwide. It is a project for reaching children with age-appropriate Bible teaching to lead them to Jesus.	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
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NextGen4Christ	"Game On!" - Giving God the controller	Romans 12:1-2	--\$59.99 - digital package of everything you need --\$29.99 (+\$5 shipping) - media add-on --\$14.99 - digital preschool add-on	yes	Small to Medium	5 day	Music Games Science Service projects	Preschool through elementary	-	NIV, NKJV, and NLT, but any version is usable as kids read from the Bible	CURE - a network of charitable hospitals and surgical programs that delivers life-changing medical care and the good news of God's love to children and families with treatable conditions. Specifically children with clubfoot.	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
goFish	"Shine"	Psalm 34:5 – "Those who look to HIM are radiant..." Daniel 12:3 – "Those who are wise will SHINE as bright as the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness will SHINE like the stars forever."	--\$199.99 – complete curriculum kit	yes	Medium	5 day	Music Crafts Snacks	Preschool and elementary	-	NLT	-	<a href="#">Facebook</a>
Life Way	"Agency D3" - Discover Decide Defend	1 Peter 3:15 - But honor the Messiah as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.	--\$34.95 - jumpstart kit --\$99.99 each, preschool and kids starter packs --Plus extra for the individual kid's packets	yes	Any, and has additional material to have a "Backyard VBS"	Comes as the standard 5 day 3-hour program, but has a guide on how to have all-day 5-day, 1-day, weekend, 2-week, and summer-long VBS	Music Crafts Games Snacks	Babies through Preteen, With Teen and Adult Bible Study material available	yes	HCSB®	The missions rotation guide suggests a program the North American Mission Board calls "Mobilize Me." It is a church planting effort that churches can be involved in from being a prayer partner to actually connecting with a particular church plant.	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Twitter</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>

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Concordia Publishing	"Gangway to Galilee" – Jesus gives amazing grace	"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God." Ephesians 2:8	--\$149.99 inclusive starter kit – including 14 posters	yes	Medium-Large (up to 30 kids for each of the 6 rotations)	one-day, two-day, and week-long	Music Crafts Games Snacks	Preschool-Elementary, with additional Teen and Adult materials, Small groups of 6	-	ESV	--Gospel Nets: raising funds to provide bibles, bikes and buildings to churches around the globe. 5 videos are included	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
Mega Sports Camp	Game Plan	Jeremiah 29:11-12	--\$129.99	yes	Any, but needs dedicated staff to run it and the space to do it	5 or 10 day program	Music Games Snacks	Elementary	Less strenuous options available	NIV	-	<a href="#">Facebook</a>
Answers in Genesis	"International Spy Academy" – Agents for the one true God	Various verses	--\$189.88 – super starter kit --\$99.99 – starter kit	yes	Any size	5 day	Music Games Crafts Snacks	Toddler through 6 <sup>th</sup> grade, with additional books for teens/adults. Groups can be multi-age or by grade	Yes, additional material available	NKJV or KJV	Deliver Hope – raising money to help with delivering food and the Gospel to kids around the world	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
Regular Baptist Press	"Arrow Island" – choosing God's Way	Psalms 119:105 – "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."	--\$89.99 – starter kit	yes, in each lesson	Small to Medium	5 day	Music Crafts Snacks Games	2s&3s through Middle school, with additional youth and adult books available	-	KJV or NKJV option	Operation Bangladesh – to help a Christian-run school do some well needed updates and repairs	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
Cokesbury	"Workshop of Wonders" (WOW!) imagine and build with God	"You are the God who works wonders." – Psalm 77:14a	--\$89.99 – starter kit and outdoor banner --\$149.99 - Super Starter Kit with Mega Media Pack & outdoor banner	Not overtly	Any size	5 lessons	Music Science/ crafts Games Snacks	Preschool through Elementary, with additional materials for teens and adults	-	CEB	-	<a href="#">Pinterest</a> and <a href="#">Facebook</a>
Abingdon Press	"Praise Break" – Celebrating the works of God	"Let the redeemed of the LORD say so . . ." (Psalm 107:2a, NRSV)	--\$74.99 starter kit Adult and teen student and leader books separate	Not overtly	Small to Medium	5 lessons	Music Crafts Games	Multi-generational Preschool through Adults	-	Multiple Translations	Crafts to make that can be given away to others	<a href="#">Facebook</a>
Urban Ministries	"The Jesus Connection...what a friend"	"God...invited you into this wonderful friendship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (from 1 Corinthians 1:9, TLB).	-- \$79.99 -Starter Kit	yes	Small to Medium	5 or 10 day program	Inter-generational games Crafts	Preschool through high school	-	TLB	-	<a href="#">Facebook</a>
MennoMedia	"Welcome" – Give and Receive God's Great Love	Various Verses	--\$159.99 – starter kit	Not overtly	Small	5 day	Music Crafts Games Drama	Preschool through 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	-	NET	-	-