



# THE JOY IN GIVING

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**KIDS ASSEMBLY TOPIC**

Kids Assembly Topic for September 2022

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## Objectives:

At the end of the Kids Assembly, MFC Kids will be able to:

- Recognize that God blesses us with a lot of different good things in life
- Appreciate the joy of giving and the spirit of sharing our blessings with others
- Learn that we are very much blessed by God and these blessings are meant to be shared with others



## I. MOTIVATION

**Activity:** Be a cheerful giver

**Watch this video:**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A9vjgNt3\\_Fo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A9vjgNt3_Fo)

**Processing:**

Because God loves us so much, He blesses us with a lot of blessings in life! With these blessings, may we recognize how enjoyable it is to share these blessings with others. And as we become grateful with what the Lord has given us, we become a cheerful givers too!



## II. HEAD

Happiness comes from contentment and satisfaction. It is an emotion, just like sadness or jealousy, or fear. Happiness is a good feeling and we can get it from a lot of things, even earthly things. But more than the word happiness, there is a word greater than it, and it's called, Joy!

Joy is much stronger than the feeling of happiness. It is a long-lasting state of being. It is a sudden burst of happiness, just like an elevator in a building that takes you up to a higher level of happiness only for a small amount of time and back. Joy warms a person's heart while happiness merely pleases. While happiness brings pleasure, Joy brings true contentment to one's heart.



## III. HEART

The Joy we see from others make us joyful too! And that is the reason why sharing is a blessing! This joy that we are feeling is meant to be shared with others because we want others to be happy as well. It is true that whenever we give, we also receive. We receive an unexplainable joy every time we share our blessings to other kids – not just in receiving, but also in giving!

What do we receive? We receive true **JOY**.

**J** – Joyful Heart

Indeed, we are happy when we receive something from others, especially from God. But nothing can make our heart so happy when we see others being happy too by the things we share with them. Not just by owning and being selfish about the blessings we have received, but by learning how to genuinely share them with others and enjoy these things together.

*(Ex. sharing your food with your classmates, lending your toys with your siblings, etc.)*

## O – Overflowing blessings from God

God's blessings to us overflow even more! He blesses us more than the obvious things we see around us. Because God sees how generous we are, He rewards us with more blessings!

*(Ex. new found friends, new classmates, higher grades in class, gifts from our parents, etc.)*

## Y – You become like Jesus!

More than the joy and the overflowing blessings that we receive from God, we also become like Jesus to the people around us! We become like Jesus every time we share our blessings them. And Jesus is like that, He shares things He has because of his goodness and love to the people around Him. Every time we become generous, we become like Jesus!

Truly, we can experience true JOY every time we glow with a joyful heart, receive overflowing blessings from God, and become like Jesus to others. Indeed, God wants nothing but the best for us!



## IV. HANDS

### 1. KIDS AT PLAY (3-4 years old)

**Activity:** Coloring (Appendix A)

**Materials:**

- Printed coloring page/paper (see attachment for sample)
- Markers
- Crayons
- Color pens

**Mechanics:**

Have the children color the pictures.

## 2. FIRST STEPS (5-7 years old) & FOOTSTEPS (8-10 years old)

(Appendix B)

**Activity:** Fruit of Giving

**Materials:**

- Colored Paper
- Scissor
- Color Pens
- Glue

**Instructions:**

1. Draw a tree and apples on your colored paper.
2. Used different colored paper in drawing the trees and apples.
3. Cut out your drawings. Ask for help from your parents or guardians in cutting the drawings.
4. Trace your hand on a brown colored paper as the trunk of the tree.
5. Glue the trunk to the leaves to make a tree.
6. Then glue each apple to the tree.
7. On the apple, write down the blessings that you can genuinely share with others.

## 3. STEP UP (11-12 years old)

**Activity:** Household

**Discussion Question:**

1. What are the blessings that you can joyfully give to others?
2. How important is it to share your blessings with others?



#### IV. TAKE AWAY

*“Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Moreover, God can make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work.”*

**2 Corinthians 9:6-8**

The joy of giving is only possible when we genuinely share God’s blessing with others. Not only the material things that we have, but ultimately, Jesus Christ! The joy that we receive from giving is more than enough. Truly, the joy in our hearts become real when we share it with others.

Here is our September gift badge!



## RECITATION OF MFC KIDS PROMISE

### **1. I will imitate Jesus.**

- I will pray to God and read the Bible every day.
- I will make Jesus as my role model by obeying rules and doing good in school.

### **2. I will be a good family member.**

- I will be a good son/daughter to my parents by obeying and respecting them.
- I will be a good sister/brother to my siblings through sharing and supporting them.

### **3. I will be an active member of MFC Kids**

- I will always attend and participate in all MFC Kids activities.
- I will share my time, talents and treasures to others especially to my brothers and sisters in MFC Kids
- I will love, respect and be loyal to my MFC Kids family.

### **4. I will tell others about Jesus.**

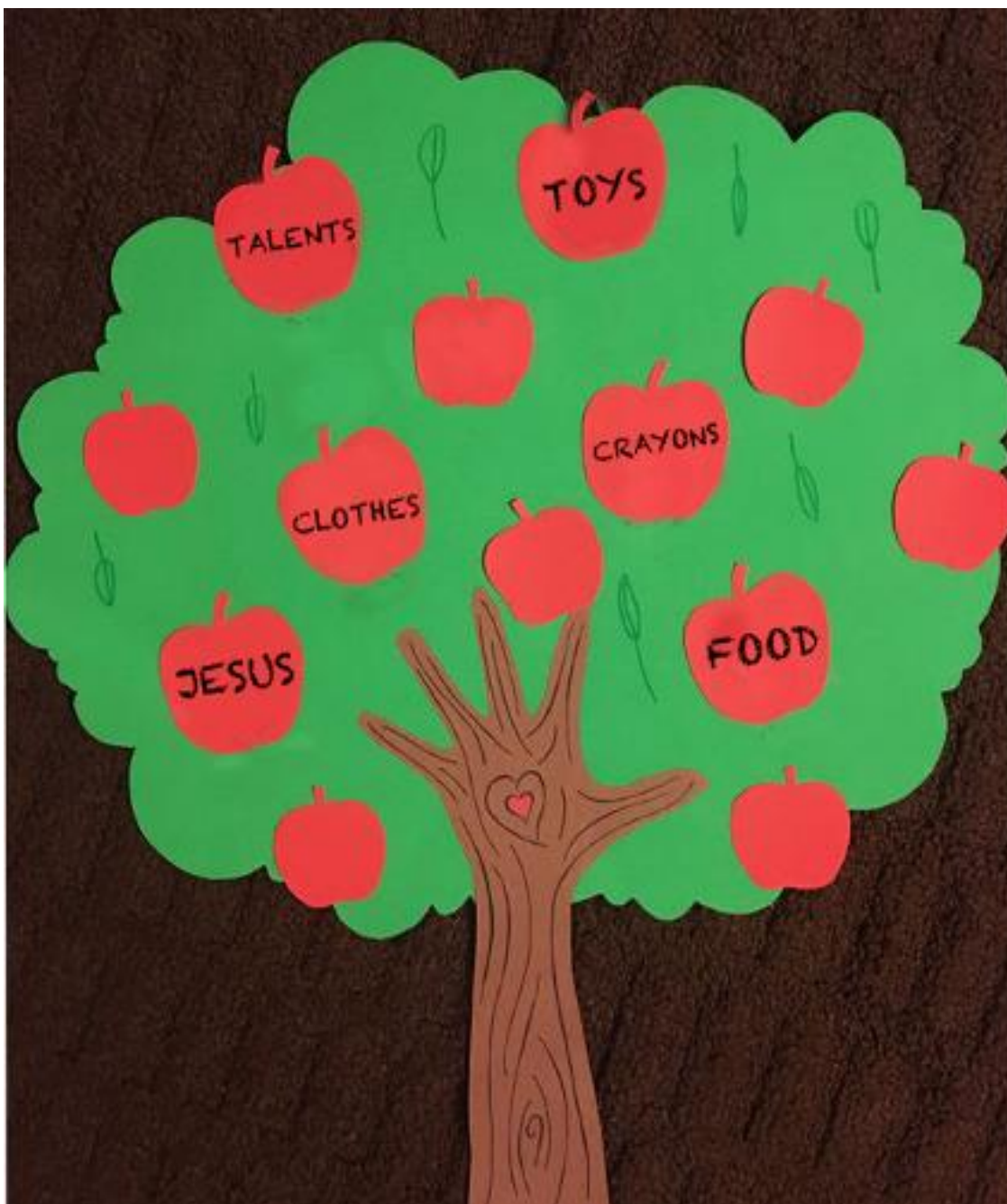
- I will love my brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends by doing good deeds everyday that will reflect God's love.
- I will serve in our Parish Church.
- I will love the poor by sharing what I have with them







Appendix B





Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for letting your kids attend our Kids Assembly this month and for being one with us in believing that they are never too young to know Christ. We honor your love and passion in making your child/ren closer to the Lord.

Our topic this month is about the joy in giving. It can be possible if these children will realize that these gifts and blessings they receive are meant to be shared with others. As a parent, we can help them to be joyful when they give, by encouraging them to do the following activities with you:

- 1. Baking Together** - Together as a family, you can bake cookies or any food together then your child/ren can give and share it to his/her friends or neighbors. The best way of learning is for them to experience it themselves and by this they can practice sharing and giving to others.
- 2. Watering the Plants and/or Planting** - By doing this together, it helps them appreciate the simple acts of sharing in the form of helping the plants or planting plants. As a parent, we can explain to them that by doing this, we become a blessing to the plants and on the other hand sooner or later these plants become also a blessing to us.
- 3. Giving away unused and gently used items** - Allow them and help them to check their things such as old clothes, toys or shoes that they no longer need but still fine and can still be used by others. With this it will show your child how to help someone in need without spending a lot.

After doing the activities, we encourage you to post these on your social media accounts so that you can inspire other parents and families to journey with their kids. Use these hashtags - #MFCKids #ParentChildActivity #MomentsThatMatter

Thank you very much and we hope to be with your kid/s next month!

MFC Kids Team

