

# STAY CONNECTED TO JESUS

## LEADER GUIDE



## 2022-2023—SEASON 28

Welcome to a new school year and the 28th season of Kids Connection! This season we join Olivia and Jake on adventures to the farm, Africa, Tennessee, and more. Pastor Tony Schultz shares nine lessons from the Old Testament book of Psalms, and we have many MY SCHOOL stories to share. What's your MY SCHOOL story? Tell us what is unique about your grade school, Sunday school, early childhood, etc.: [kidsconnection@wels.net](mailto:kidsconnection@wels.net).

It's our continued goal to help you all "stay connected to Jesus." In these three episodes we meet a variety of

people with unique God-given gifts using them to share the gospel. How can you encourage those in your care to do the same? Consider reading the descriptions to your students before watching each month's episode, then using the discussion questions as a springboard for classroom discussion on using gifts and sharing Jesus in our daily lives.

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It is our prayer that *Kids Connection* and the gospel it shares will encourage you and your students to stay connected to each other, to others in WELS, and, most importantly, to Jesus.



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# SEPTEMBER 2022

Ice cream anyone? This month Olivia takes us to the farm where she spent quite a bit of time this summer.

Next, our first MY SCHOOL story of the season. Christ Lutheran School in Big Bend, Wisconsin, hosted a "Touch a Truck" event for the community. Church members connected with members of the community through tractors, fire trucks, and cotton candy.

Finally, Pastor Tony Schultz welcomes everyone back to school.

**"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. All who do his precepts have good understanding" (Psalm 111:10).**

## QUESTIONS TO SPARK DISCUSSION

1. What did you learn about God's creation this summer?
2. What's your favorite ice cream? What about your favorite topping?

# OCTOBER 2022

This month we meet two teachers who have very different God-given gifts and students. First, meet Quinten Petersen. He's the director of bands at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. A musician from early on, he gets to share his love of music and love for Jesus with high school students every day.

Next, meet Maria Gines. She thanks God that he put a special place in her heart for little children. She is a

preschool director in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, where she gets to share Jesus with children. Some are hearing about him for the first time.

Finally, Pastor Tony Schultz has a Reformation lesson on the river.

**"We have different gifts, according to the grace God has given us" (Romans 12:6).**

## QUESTIONS TO SPARK DISCUSSION

1. Think about the gifts God has given you. How can you use them to share the love of Jesus?
2. Why is the Lutheran Reformation important?

# NOVEMBER 2022

In November we head to Africa. First, with Pastor Paul Nitz who was a missionary in Africa for 27 years. He has some interesting stories and perspectives to share.

For over 60 years the Central Africa Medical Mission has served the people of Africa. While providing medical care they also have the opportunity to share the gospel. The work can be challenging. Pray for those involved in the Central Africa Medical Mission.

Finally, a Thanksgiving message from Pastor Tony Schultz.

**"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:10).**

## QUESTIONS TO SPARK DISCUSSION

1. We are all different. In a positive way, share some differences among you and your classmates or neighbors. How can you bridge those differences?
2. Consider keeping a list of things to pray for. What would you add to that list from today?