

# God & Country

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## God and Me (Grades 1-3)

Children will become best friends with Jesus and tell their story of "God and Me" together. Children will make a game in each lesson and keep their games in a GAMEBOX (God And Me Exploring BOX). These games will reinforce the Bible lessons and provide opportunities for families to explore God's love together.



Section 1: God Created Me

Section 2: Jesus is God's Gift to Me

Section 3: I Can Talk with God

Section 4: Because God Cares for Me, I Can Care for Others

## God and Family (Grades 4-5)

The God and Family program will help children understand the importance of family and God's role in a healthy family. Children will compare families and "pizza," and they will make a pizza as they study how families can grow together in God's love.



1. CRUST-FOUNDATION - We are God's Family
2. SAUCE - Family Heritage, Spiritual Heritage
3. TOPPINGS - Our Talents and Gifts Strengthen Our Families
4. CHEESE - In God's Family We're Loved No Matter What! Because We're Loved, We Follow Rules
5. BAKE - Being in God's Family Helps Us When Things Are Tough
6. EAT, SHARE, ENJOY! - In God's Family, We Share as a Response to God's Love

## God and Church (Grades 6-8)

The God and Church program will be a journey to meet Jesus, worship God, and witness and minister for Christ. Participants will create a video or a photo album to share their faith journeys with others.



Unit I - My Journey:

Meeting Christ

Meeting Jesus, the Person

Meeting Jesus, the Son of God

Meeting Jesus, the Head of the Church

Unit II - My Journey: Worshiping God

Learning how Christ Worshiped God

Exploring How My Congregation

Worships God

Discovering How I Can Worship God

Unit III - My Journey: Witnessing and Ministering for Christ

Learning How Christ Witnessed and

Ministered to Others

Exploring How My Congregation

Witnesses and Ministers to Others

Discovering How I Can Witness and

Minister to Others

## God and Life (Grades 9-12)

The God and Life study is based on the life of the Apostle Paul as recorded in Acts 9:1-31.



Section 1: God calls all kinds of people.

Section 2: God doesn't expect us to do it on our own.

Section 3: Each of us must make a personal response to the call of God

Section 4: God gives strength to face adversities.

Section 5: God can accomplish great things through those who are willing to do God's will.

### ADULT MENTOR PROGRAM

The God and Country Adult Mentor program is an optional program for parents who have children enrolled in the God and Country series. Parents will have a workbook to complete. They will model their Christian faith by working side by side their children. Certificate and pin are available upon completion of the course.

### ADULT RECOGNITIONS

Adult recognitions are given to adults for outstanding service to youth through both their church and one of the national youth-serving agencies (Boy Scouts of America, Camp Fire USA, Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., American Heritage Girls). An outside party must nominate an adult to receive an award by submitting the required applications, letters of recommendation, and resume of activities.

### Starting the Program is Easy!

- Order the appropriate program booklets based on your grade.
- Meet with the pastor: show your pastor the God and Country booklets and together choose a counselor
- Complete the requirements under the supervision of your counselor.
- Present your work to the pastor for final approval.
- Order the recognition items by sending the application form to P.R.A.Y.
- Plan a special ceremony in church to receive your award.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Who may earn a God and Country award?

Girls and boys in grades 1-12.

## Do I have to belong to a scouting group to earn a God and Country award?

No, girls and boys may earn this award even if they do not belong to a Girl Scout, Boy Scout, or Camp Fire group. Members of youth groups and Sunday School classes may participate in these programs.

## Do I have to belong to a church to earn a God and Country award?

No, you do not have to have official membership in a congregation to earn this award; however, the program requires that a pastor review all work and oversee the program.

## Which denominations use the God and Country program?

Protestant and Independent churches. The following is a partial listing of the denominations that use the God and Country program: African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, Assembly of God, Baptist, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Christian Methodist Episcopal,

Church of God, Episcopal, Lutheran, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church, and Independent Christian churches.

## Who may serve as counselor?

The pastor, or someone appointed by the pastor (such as a parent, Sunday School teacher, congregational lay leader, or other qualified adult).

## May I earn more than one award (for the different grade levels)?

Yes, you may earn all four awards as long as you are in the appropriate grade at the time (you may not go backwards and earn younger awards).

## How long does it take to complete the program?

It depends. God and Me and God and Family may take 4 to 8 weeks to complete. God and Church and God and Life may take 3 to 6 months to complete.

## How do I order the booklets?

Booklets may be purchased at your local council store or directly from P.R.A.Y. (see attached order form) or via the internet at

www.praypub.org or by calling 1-800-933-7729.

## Does each child need a booklet?

Yes.

## How do I order the awards?

The application form to order the awards is found in the Student Workbook. The form must be sent to P.R.A.Y. (your local council will not have these awards).

## How is the award presented?

The award is usually presented by the pastor in a worship service.

## What is the difference between the Counselor Manual and the Mentor Workbook?

The Counselor Manual is for adults who are "teaching" or helping the students complete the requirements. The Counselor Manual has answers, suggested activities, resources, etc. The Mentor Workbook is for parents who choose to be "students" alongside their children. The Mentor Workbook contains lessons and questions for parents to complete as they work side by side their children on the program.

## ORDER FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (day contact) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

Grades 1-3	Quantity	Amount
God & Me Student Wkbk	#33604 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Me Counselor Manual	#33603 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Me Adult Mentor	#33606 _____	\$3.50 _____
Grades 4-5		
God & Family Student Wkbk	#33597 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Family Counselor Manual	#33598 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Family Adult Mentor	#33595 _____	\$3.50 _____
Grades 6-8		
God & Church Student Wkbk	#33599 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Church Counselor Manual	#33600 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Church Adult Mentor	#33596 _____	\$3.50 _____
Grades 9-12		
God & Life Student Wkbk	#33609 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Life Counselor Manual	#33610 _____	\$3.50 _____
God & Life Adult Mentor	#33605 _____	\$3.50 _____

\*POSTAGE: 1 book=\$1.60; 2 books=\$2.20;  
 3 books=\$2.80; 4 or more books=\$3.50

Prices Subject to Change  
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Subtotal \_\_\_\_\_

Postage \* \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose payment by check, money order, Mastercard or Visa. Make checks payable to "P.R.A.Y." If credit card, provide the following information:

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's name \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day contact) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Recognition Brochures/Nomination Papers Qty(no charge)

God and Service (Protestant) Award \_\_\_\_\_

Baptist Good Shepherd \_\_\_\_\_

Episcopal St. George \_\_\_\_\_

Lutheran Lamb \_\_\_\_\_

Lutheran Servant of Youth \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this program: \_\_\_\_\_

SEND TO:

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