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2014年9月份因为一个偶然的的机会，我成为了两岁班主日学的代课老师，开始了在儿童事工上的服事。刚开始的时候我做得很艰难也多有怨言，原本可以舒舒服服坐在成人主日学教室里，现在却需要在儿童活动室里对付10到15个两岁大的小孩，在一个半小时里随时担心不要出什么乱子，更不用说还要教导小孩了。好在有年长的同工扶持鼓励（特别要感谢怡然和周雁姐妹），我开始慢慢习惯并学会了和不同的小孩沟通交流，理解他们的需要，建立课堂的秩序，吸引他们的注意力，于是这个原本的负担也慢慢有趣起来。因着这个服事让我看到，小孩子不只是需要我们的照顾，他们也是一个个有思想有性格的个体；而能有这样的机会和这么多的小孩子一起成长和成熟，这也是从神而来的祝福。此外，我也更能体会和珍惜同工们为儿童事工付出的努力和辛劳，在有需要的时候我也更加乐意帮忙；在此之前我总是觉得这是理所当然的。



不久后又因为一个偶然的的机会，我作为代课老师需要给从三岁到一年级的联合班带一次大课。这对我来讲是一个全新的挑战。我是一个非常内向的人，站在讲台上就会脸红；即使在工作中经过很多培训，作演讲做报告仍然是我最头痛的事情。更何况，我母语不是英语，而这次是要给20到30个英语说得比我还好的小孩用英语教课。我甚至试着安慰自己说，如果这次讲砸了，下次我就可以不用再上台了；即便如此我上台时还是止不住很紧张。感谢主，第一次课的效果很好。我发现只要吸引到注意力，其实小孩子们是非常活跃也非常愿意受教的。他们在课堂上勇于发言，气氛非常活跃，所以对老师来讲上课也是个很享受的过程。从那以后，我就慢慢开始参与到联合班主日崇拜和AWANA的Sparks班的服事中来。

当然，即便这是个很享受的过程，不可否认在儿童事工中服事需要投入许多时间精力。这是一个很大的挑战，比如对于我来说，我除了全职工作外，还要照顾两个孩子，业余还在北卡州大在职进修，时间精力经常捉襟见肘。我还记得在我刚开始工作的时候，我的老板曾对我说，没有人是忙得抽不出时间的，每个人都忙，区别只是你的事在他们眼里的分量是多少。我想，如果我觉得为主服事孩子们是一件很重要的事情，那么我就专门腾出时间资源来做这些事。其实，有的时候服事也会带来意想不到的祝福，比如，我后来有一次在公司作报告的时候，就发现自己好像没有那么紧张了。

赵宸- 儿童主日学和 AWANA 老师



祷告神

- ◆ 求诚信和诚实是我孩子的美德和他们的保护。
- ◆ 愿我孩子们的仁慈，正如他们天父的仁慈一样。
- ◆ 求我的孩子们学习过有神的爱的生活。

帮助孩子 学以致用



帮助你的孩子将主日学学习的圣经知识运用到每日的生活中。

- ◆ 人们相信今天奇迹仍然发生。
- ◆ 耶稣来到世上，是为了拯救人们脱离他们的罪恶。
- ◆ 人们知道耶稣今天还活着。
- ◆ 耶稣应许神会差遣圣灵。



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兒童主日

RCCC 可爱的孩子将在敬拜中服事

- ◆ 作招待员
- ◆ 祝福
- ◆ 唱赞美诗歌
- ◆ 手摇铃表演
- ◆ 奉献祷告
- ◆ 读经

请来和我们
RCCC可爱的孩子
一起敬拜神

AWANA 5月的主题

May 5: 最喜欢的运动之夜 (穿着最喜爱的运动服装)

May 12: 贵宾 (非常重要的人) 晚上 (带你的父母)

May 19: 可笑的袜子, 套上你可爱最可笑的袜子



5月14日
祝天下所有母亲
母亲节快乐



May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:30- 11:00 am Worship: Pre II- 1st 2nd--5th Sunday school 11:15-12:30 pm Worship: 2nd —5th. Pre II-1st: Sunday school	1	2	3	4	5	6
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Children's Sunday.
Final Rehearsal @ MPR
1-2pm (all children report to MPR)

Children Hand Bell Team Final Rehearsal @ MPR 3-3:30pm

Children's Sunday (children report to MPR @ 9am)

CONNECTION



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Never Say Never

I started serving in children's ministry since September 2014 when I became a substitute teacher for Pre-II Sunday school. It wasn't easy nor pleasant at the beginning:



I'll give up my time from adult's Sunday school, hop into kiddies' room, trying to get along with toddlers and hope nobody causes trouble, and let alone having kids listen and follow instructions. Fortunately, with others' help and encouragement (esp. sister I-Ran and Yan), I survived and learned a lot: communicate with kids, understand their needs, set up classroom rules and grab their attention. It gradually became an enjoyable experience as now I view them as growing individuals with own minds and personalities, and it's a blessing from the Lord that I am growing together. I also started fully appreciate, and more willing to help, all volunteers' hard work that make this happen -- which I took it for granted before.

It was a different challenge to lead a larger group (Pre-K, K and 1st Grade Combined) as a substitute once. I am an introvert person and struggle with public speaking. As a non-native English speaker, yet, need to teach kids who speak better English. I even thought: if I screw up, then no one will ask me to do this again. Praise the Lord, the first lesson went on pretty well. Kids are teachable and engaged, as long as grabbed their attention. They are not afraid on expressing opinions, and it is a lot of fun interacting with them. After this, I started serving in the large group, AWANA and other activities.

I agree that even it's enjoyable, still takes a lot of time and effort to serve in the children's ministry, which can be a challenge: working full time, having two kids, while taking classes at NC State. I still remember what my boss said when I first started: no one is too busy to do something -- it simply depends on what its priority on your list. If I consider serving the children for the Lord be more important, then I set aside time and resources for it. Besides, blessings come along, e.g., I am less nervous to make a presentation at workplace.

Zhao, Chen Sunday School /AWANA Teacher



ASK GOD

- May integrity and honesty be my children's virtue and their protection.
- May my children always be merciful, just as their Father is merciful.
- My children may learn to live a life of God's love.

Learn & Action



Help your kid applies their biblical learning from Sunday School to their daily life.

- ◆ People believe that miracles still happen today.
- ◆ Jesus came to earth to save people from their sins.
- ◆ People know that Jesus is alive today.
- ◆ Jesus promised that God would send the Holy Spirit

AWANA Theme Nights in May

May 5: Favorite Sport Night (Dress in their favorite sports apparel)

May 12: VIP (Very Important Person) Night (bring a parent (s))

May 19: Silly Sock Night (clothed your feet in pure silliness)



Children's Service



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Children Sunday Service

RCCC preciouses kids will service in the worship as

- ◆ Ushers
- ◆ Lead the prayers
- ◆ Sing to Praise the Lord
- ◆ Hand Bell presentation
- ◆ Offering prayer
- ◆ Scripture Reading

**Join Us
Worship God
together with our
RCCC kids.**



May 14 2017
Wish all Mothers Have a
Happy Mother' s Day



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