

Dear VBS Friends!

Welcome to a different kind of Adventure: our Rainforest Explorer's Virtual VBS+!
We're glad you're *here* – with us online, and we're glad you're *there* – staying healthy and safe!

Here's your **Explorer Guide** for how each day this week will work.

All the links you'll need will be at on the Harvest VBS Page at www.harvestpca.church

Start here each day! Kids: Don't forget to wear an explorer hat!

At 9:30 AM: Click over to facebook live (@HarvestVBS2020)

Each morning, Pastor Brett (aka Indiana Jones' cousin, "Ohio Peebs") will start us off by saying Hi to all the Explorers on Facebook Live (listen this week for your name*!) and he'll tell us about the day's adventure.

NEXT: Head back to the Harvest VBS website page.

We recommend you then view the

Bible Story Video and the
Bible Adventure Lesson Video.

We provide two levels of "**Review Qs**" - **questions and discussion starters**; please use these right after the Bible Lesson.

Starting your day with the Bible Story and Lesson can help students focus, and get the most of these important truths from God's Word. Chatting with them when it's all fresh in their minds is a great way to help them apply the lesson.

This also sets the theme for your whole day. We hope good conversations will continue as you move through the remaining activities.

Your packet also includes two levels of "**Explore More**" **Activity Sheets**, with games, fun facts, and more to help reinforce our adventure, and God's Good News. Use these at any time in the day!

After that, view the **Music, Craft, and Recreation Videos**, in any order, and have a great time singing, making crafts, and having fun moving around.

Enjoy the **Snack** for the day! We suggest:

Day 1- Animal Crackers (Noah's Ark)

Day 2- Z Bar (you need energy to explore)

Day 3 – Goldfish Crackers (Jesus called his friends to be "Fishers of Men")

Day 4 – Fruit by the Foot (the lepers walked to see Jesus, one leper walked back to thank Him)

Day 5 – Fruit Gushers(remind us of the tropical fruits and juices of the rainforest)

If we could be together at Harvest, we'd end each VBS day with the famous "Pastor Brett and Youth" **Skit**.

Guess what? We still do! Be sure you watch that together, for lots of fun, and another creative reminder of our theme.

Throughout the Day: Each day, our friends at Recreation will give us a new **Treasure Hunt Challenge**. Look for things that remind you of God and the way He cares for us.

We'll also look for items that look like letters. These can be in nature, in your home, or something you make.

Day 1 – J Day 2- E Day 3 -S Day 4- U Day 5 – S

When you find the objects, we'd love to have you *take a picture and post them on our VBS facebook page!* @HarvestVBS2020 Use the #hpcvbs2020 when you post!

Post Pics: In fact, we'd love to see pics of you wearing your hats, doing your crafts, playing your games, even watching the videos! Please feel free to post any of your VBS pics to the facebook page. @HarvestVBS2020 Use the #hpcvbs2020 when you post!

Fun Extras: Buzz and Debbee Paper Figures

Easy to make, these fun figures can join your student throughout the day, and may spark some surprising moments of imagination!

How do Buzz and Debbee come to life in your house? Let us know!

Giving Back: Ronald McDonald House, Akron, OH

Every year at VBS, the kids bring in their pennies, nickels, dimes, and dollars to help others in need.

This year, as we are reminded of the great value of health and of family, we'll be raising money for the Ronald McDonald House in Akron. **See "Charting our Adventure: Notes for the Week" on the VBS page for all the details and to donate.**

IMPORTANT: Under "Donor Information" please click:

"I would like to dedicate this donation" and under *"Type of Tribute,"*

make your donation *"In Honor Of"* **Harvest VBS**. This will allow the RMH-Akron to tally the donations received from our VBS families. We look forward to announcing the total on the Friday, July 17th!

"Exploring the Gospel" with Pastor Brett is a clear and simple video presentation of the Good News, that Jesus rescues us from sin and leads us to God, and to the adventure of a new life. Please view this video with your student at least once during the week.

If you have any questions, or would like to speak to someone at Harvest about the Gospel, please contact us at: vbsregistration@harvestpca.com or brett.wirebaugh@harvestpca.com

Your VBS Team and church have been praying for you! We hope this VBS+ provides some good times together as you and your child discover the joy of following Jesus together!

We look forward to seeing your posts and hearing your stories!

In Christ's Love,
The Harvest VBS Team

PS - For our "Out-Of-Town" friends:

Please be sure to post your pics/videos to the Harvest fb Page!

We so glad to be sharing this adventure with you, and would love to see you and where you are!

Downloaded items to view and print for the week include:

- **Explore More Activity Sheets (2 levels/sets)*
- **Craft and Game Instruction*
- **Review Q's/Conversation Starters*
- **Buzz and Debbee figures (print on card stock)*