

AN ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR PRIMARY CLASSES OR THE HOME LESSON

Third Quarter, 1917

(Note : Introduce some slight novelty on the hot Sundays, if it is only the change of seating arrangements. Have flowers in the room and let there be plenty of singing. A special endeavor should be made to have the Sunday School hour as attractive and happy as possible.)

I. OPENING EXERCISES. Recite the first nine and last two verses of Psalm 136, the teacher giving the first clause of each verse and the class the response, "for his mercy endureth forever."

II. SINGING. Hymn 548, or Hymn 553, Book of Praise.

III. PRAYER.

Our Father in heaven, all praise to thy name ;
We bless thee, Lord Jesus, from whom all blessings came.
Keep us in thy presence that others may see
In our daily living, an image of thee. Amen.

IV. OFFERING. Sing verse 8, Hymn 427, Book of Praise.

V. SCRIPTURE MEMORY PASSAGE. God's Care of Birds and Flowers, Matthew 6 : 26-30 ; Helping One Another in the Home, Ephesians 6 : 1-4. The recitation of the passages given Quarter by Quarter in the Orders of Service, leads to the obtaining of a pretty Certificate in Colors. For Form of Application write to Rev. J. C. Robertson, B.D., our General Secretary for Sabbath Schools, Confederation Life Building, Toronto.

VI. SINGING. Memory Hymn, Hymn 17, Book of Praise. (The verses of this Hymn should be learned one by one. As the little ones sing them, Sunday by Sunday, they will soon come to know them by heart.)

VII. THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE DAY: (See each lesson.) The very little ones will not be expected to learn this by heart, but it may be repeated several times over, and any needed explanation given.

VIII. SINGING. (Tune, Hymn 571, Book of Praise.)

God who made the daisies,	Birds and bees and flowers
And the lilies fair ;	Have a song to sing ;
He will keep the children	We will join in praises
Ever in his care.	To our heavenly king.

Through the day he knoweth
Every step we take ;
Through the night he'll guard us
Watching till we wake.

IX. A BIRTHDAY PRAYER.

Our Father we thank thee that all the year through,
Thy goodness hath blessed her (him or them) with gifts ever new.

We praise thee for blessings sent down from the sky ;
Thy care was about her (him or them) when dangers were nigh.

Our Father we pray thee, be thou ever near,
And oh ! do thou give her (him or them) a Happy New Year.

X. LESSON FOR THE DAY.

XI. LESSON HYMN.

XII. DISTRIBUTE PAPERS, etc. Ask the children to be like the little stream which makes everything glad with which it came in contact. Let them form in line and quietly pass out, playing that they are the stream.