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... Lift up your eyes,
and look on the fields;
for they are white
already to harvest.
John 4:35

2020 VISION





From Our President . . .

Dear Co-laborer in Christ,

As we reflect on the glorious privilege we have had to touch the lives and souls of the children God has placed in our Learning Centers this past year, may our hearts greatly praise Him. *I will praise thee, O LORD my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.* (Psalm 86:12) Thank Him for trusting you with the responsibility of discipling His young ones.

Administrators' Training and Supervisors' Training have been a blessing to many of you this past summer. Thank you for making it a priority and taking time to develop your knowledge and ability to serve our Lord, the students, and the parents in your school ministry.

The 2019 Christian Educators' Convention (CEC) is a special, two-day in-service training for all school staff. Come expecting a blessing as you learn and grow in your calling to Christian education. You will be inspired and encouraged by our keynote speakers, Evangelist Rob Watkins and Evangelist Steve Pigott. They have both ministered at Regional Student Conventions and International Student Conventions. Moreover, I am sure you enjoyed Evangelist Watkins' words of inspiration at the 2018 CEC. You will find the dates and locations for the 2019 CEC on the A.C.E. website. Please plan to join us in celebrating A.C.E.'s fifty years of Biblical education! *So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we will shew forth thy praise to all generations.* (Psalm 79:13)

It is my prayer that your labor of love for our Lord Jesus Christ will be multiplied in the lives of each of the students to whom you minister "daily in the temple." *And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; and great shall be the peace of thy children.* (Isaiah 54:13)

Advancing His cause for the children's sake,

Esther Howard
President

WB Online: Interactivity to engage students

The A.C.E. curriculum team is producing the new Word Building Online course to ensure each student has an ePACE that is as engaging as possible.

Through the use of a greater amount of interactive activities, students will explore and master the structure of words. Crossword puzzles, matching, and audible Self Tests and Tests are examples of activities that will be available to students. Some activities require students to answer essay questions. Others encourage students to study the examples to find the correct answer. Other challenges include dragging and dropping words to finish sentences, finding hidden objects, and highlighting words by clicking on them.

This variety will keep students more engaged as they enjoy creative ways activities are presented. Combined with the eye-catching fun facts, Scripture verses, and stories, students will gain an appreciation for the structure of words in the English language.

Please look for more updates on the development of Word Building Online in future *Accelerators*.





Instructing and Training Biblical Principles

Each aspect of Christian education should be an extension of Biblical principles. These principles should all work for one common goal: to instruct and train young people to be more like Christ. In Proverbs 1:7 the Bible states, *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge . . .* Every young person must be given opportunities to accept Christ as personal Saviour and build a relationship with Him. A student must know Jesus Christ for education to be a success.

Instructing is the presenting of knowledge. As you well know, the Accelerated Christian Education curriculum is the instructor. While presenting much academic knowledge, the curriculum also includes direct quotes from Scripture and directs the student in many Biblical principles and Godly character-building instruction. It is clear that the A.C.E. curriculum is truly Christian education.

To train implies not only the presenting of knowledge but the practicing of that knowledge. In Proverbs 22:6 the Bible declares, *Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* A wise pastor once said, "Train up a child in the way he should go, follow it yourself, and he will follow you." How very true! A Godly parent, pastor, or Christian educator understands that training is a living of your faith—a practicing of your belief. If we live a joyful Christian life, we are training our children that living for God is not only right but truly living as God designed. Young people will follow. May it always be said that we led them on the righteous path.

What a great privilege from God to be entrusted with the life of a child! May each of us continue to love our Lord and our children enough to sacrifice for true Christian education. *ACE*

BIOLOGY

4TH EDITION



The last six PACEs and labs are scheduled to be available in the fall. Third Edition PACEs and DVD labs are only available until inventory is depleted. This 4th Edition course and labs are not compatible with the previous Biology PACEs or DVDs.

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Learning Center Helps Pitfalls to Avoid: Part 2

He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which he made. Psalm 7:15

Making pitfalls has been an often-used method for trapping wild animals and has also been a strategy used against enemy soldiers in times of war. Sometimes a man, having made such a pit, covered it over so completely that he fell into his own trap. Sometimes a supervisor can inadvertently create pitfalls that are hidden and whose dangers are not easily recognized. Let's explore two more pitfalls you will want to avoid.

Pitfall #7—Relaxing or failing to enforce scoring procedures.

Proper procedure—When a score strip appears, the student raises his national flag to request permission to score his work. A staff member quickly reviews the work to be sure it is completed. The student goes to the scoring station with only his PACE. While at the scoring station, the student uses a red pen provided at the scoring station to make a red “X” beside the number of any incorrect answers and a red “X” in the first box of the score strip. Instruct students in correct Score Key usage and provide careful but reasonable supervision of the scoring station. Minimize the possibility for students to obtain answers from Score Keys without arousing feelings of distrust by making the student aware of the staff's presence. It is easy for the Learning Center staff to become involved with students and not pay attention to what is going on at the scoring stations. While working with students, occasionally turn around and look. You don't have to look at anyone or anything in particular, but students will notice that you turned around. When pastors and administrators come to the Learning Center, stop at the door for 30 seconds and look. Again, you don't have to look at anyone or anything in particular, but students will notice that you looked. Regularly spot-check scoring for “carelessness.” Staff members should occasionally scan students' PACEs, looking specifically for proper scoring

procedures and to detect marked answers (thumbnail marks, red dots, “strategically” placed red “Xs,” heavy pencil writing covering up red ink, pencils in ties or under fingernails, camera phones at scoring station taking pictures of Score Keys, etc.). Scoring procedures are predicated on honesty but offer many opportunities to present the character trait of honesty as well. Address the “heart issue” of honesty in devotions and chapels to “shut the gate before the horse gets out.” You may want to watch the use of camera cell phones and text messaging, iPods with wireless earpieces with notes read into them, and programmable calculators, especially at the testing table.

Pitfall #8—Failing to do a daily goal check for every student.

Proper procedure—Understanding that 1 monitor works with approximately 30 students, the monitor checks goals uninterrupted during the first 45 minutes each morning. The previous day's goals are checked for completion, and the new goals for the current day are reviewed. PACE subjects in which the student may need academic assistance are noted. The goal check is one of the nuts and bolts of the A.C.E. system of learning. Without a daily goal check, the A.C.E. system will not achieve the intended academic results. This is a school's single greatest academic control. If this procedure is not followed, the supervisor really has no idea where each student is academically. A goal check will spot problems (in understanding, scoring, completion of goals, etc.) very early, before they mushroom or snowball. The monitor should be sure the student has accomplished a specific activity during a day for which he wrote “Review” or “Study” on his Goal Card. Make sure the student has not adjusted his goals without the supervisor's permission, initialed in green on the Goal Card. If the Goal Check Report is the school's only attendance record, make sure attendance is accurately recorded for each student each day. *ACE*

Choose Your Adventure



The year 2020 will have expanded opportunities for those who wish to attend Service Adventure. For the first time, ACEM will be offering mission opportunities in two locations—**Mexico and Thailand**.

The high level of interest and number of applications has led to the expanded choices of these locations. The increased level of young people wanting to participate was evidenced this year at the His Servants Reception held during International Student Convention, with more than 140 excited attendees present. There, they heard about opportunities to use their God-given talents to meet the spiritual needs of others while learning new skills, making lifelong friends, and deepening their relationship with Christ.

Over the years, schools assisted by Service Adventure have expressed much gratitude for the dedication of the volunteers. Participants may find themselves constructing student offices, ministering

with puppet shows, studying God’s Word daily, and sharing the Gospel. Through teamwork and organization, numerous schools in these two countries will receive the help they desperately need.

Will you ask God if He is calling on some of your students to choose their own adventure? Encourage any interested students to apply early as the number of participants is limited. For more information, visit acestudentprograms.com/about-sa.

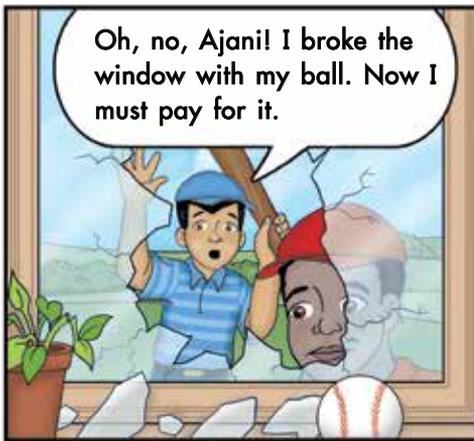
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WHERE WILL YOUR STUDENTS SERVE NEXT?

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Character Counts!

Fair is defined as: Seeing a situation from the viewpoint of each person involved. It is to be unbiased, just, honest, and impartial. The character strip above gives us a good illustration of being fair. Miguel hit a ball, and it broke a glass window in the house. He takes responsibility for his actions by saying, “Now I must pay for it.” But Ajani was playing ball with him and recognizes it could have been him that hit that ball. So the only fair thing to do was for him to help Miguel pay for the broken glass.

The golden rule for fairness is found in Matthew 7:12: *Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.* A parallel passage is Luke 6:31, *And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.* The golden rule for fairness is simply to treat others the way you want to be treated.

The traits equitable and fair are often confused. Being equitable is the spiritual aspect of a situation, whereas fair is the human aspect. Equitable is applied righteousness and justice from God’s viewpoint, but fair is seeing a situation from the viewpoint of each person involved. The measure of being equitable is the absolute, objective, and ideal standard we have in God’s Word. The measure of being fair is viewing a situation from each person’s perspective in order to help all parties see the equitable principles, laws, and rules being applied from God’s Word.

As an example, consider a yard sale. The seller has an asking price, which is his personal preference of the amount he wants to get for an item. The buyer has

a personal preference of what he wants to pay for that item. They bargain back and forth on the price until they meet in the middle with a price on which they both can agree. That price then becomes a fair deal for both.

Israel was redeemed from Egypt, crossed the Red Sea, and in the wilderness the people murmured about water, food, and even Moses. Finally, God told Moses to select 70 men to help him so all the people would be dealt with fairly and would see the situation as being equitable.

At the trial of Jesus, Pilate found no fault with Him. The policy was to release one prisoner each year. When Pilate asked the mob who they wanted released, they cried, “Barabbas!” While attempting to be fair, Pilate was actually unfair to Jesus. His trial was subjective. Caiaphas’s trial was also subjective. The mob’s reaction was subjective. There was no objective, authoritative standard used for Jesus’ trials. The rulers and the people failed at being both fair and equitable.

In the early church there were certain believing Greek widows who were not being cared for daily and fairly. God told the church to select seven men of honest report to serve the Lord by waiting on tables and meeting the daily needs of all the church members both fairly and equitably.

Jesus was fair when He offered salvation to all. *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.* (Matthew 11:28) The invitation is fair as all are given the free will to accept or reject it. Have you accepted God’s free gift of salvation?

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS' CONVENTION TRAINING

As your school looks forward to the fall, make sure to attend a Christian Educators' Convention as A.C.E. celebrates its 50th anniversary. Also make sure to schedule extra time as **this year's sessions will last two days**. Please visit the training website for dates, locations, and registration for these necessary training events.

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