

ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN-SCHOOL SCRIPTURE PROGRAM

The curriculum developed for and implemented in Primary Schools by the Armenian Apostolic Church is a Bible-based program founded on the stories, truths and principles of our Christian faith.

The three year curriculum is designed to engage children in knowing God, understanding His love for us and developing a relationship with Him.

The curriculum is organised around a yearly program taking the children through a Bible journey to experience God’s hand at work through the lives and stories as found in the Old and New Testaments. Even though lessons each week are generally based on the same theme and similar outcomes, they are adapted and delivered with content that is age appropriate. Classroom activities to reinforce the day’s teaching to Years 3 to 6 classes are tailored to provide deeper understanding of belief concepts in the Armenian faith. These are reflected under ‘Extension’ (EXT).

Teaching notes are available to guide facilitators through the weekly lessons and age-appropriate hands-on activities are provided to students to reinforce the learning outcomes.

CURRICULUM OUTLINE				
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Year A	Knowing God Understanding Easter	The Creation God’s Covenants	People of the Old Testament	Jesus Teaches Principles for Living Christmas
Year B	Teachings on Prayer Reflections on Easter	The Early Church	God’s Faithful Servants	Jesus the Messiah Christmas

Year C	Jesus' Miracles Remembering Easter	Jesus Teaches through the Parables	More People of the Old Testament	The Armenian Apostolic Church The Fruits of the Spirit Christmas
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SCOPE & SEQUENCE

(The sequence of weekly lessons may vary from year to year based on Easter and term weeks)

Year A Scripture Program

WEEK	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
1.	Introduction Learning the Lord's Prayer	The Creation: Creating the Earth (Days 1-3)	People of The Old Testament Joseph – Part 1	The Bible & its Armenian translation - Tarkmandchadz
EXT	Why we say the Lord's Prayer on every occasion in the Armenian faith	Other Theories of Creation	Understanding God's help as we trust Him	Why the Bible is important for our faith
2.	The Father, Son & Holy Spirit	The Creation: Creating Life on Earth & Day of Rest (Days 4-7)	People of The Old Testament Joseph – Part 2	Jesus teaches OBEDIENCE
EXT	Understanding the Holy Trinity	Why God gave man dominion	Understanding God's purpose as we trust Him	How we can grow in obedience
3.	The Easter Story: Palm Sunday	The Fall of Man	People of The Old Testament Joseph – Part 3	Jesus teaches FORGIVENESS
EXT	How we celebrate Palm Sunday in the Armenian Church and why	The consequence of man's sin	God works in us as we trust Him	Expecting and growing to forgive
4.	The Easter Story: Washing of the Feet Last Supper	The Flood – Part 1: Noah builds an ark	People of The Old Testament Baby Moses – Part 1	Jesus teaches HONESTY
EXT	How we commemorate Holy Thursday in the Armenian Church and why	What obedience to God means	How can we understand God's ways	Expecting and showing honesty
5.	The Easter Story: The Betrayal Crucifixion	The Flood – Part 2: God's rainbow is meant for all of us	People of The Old Testament Moses – Part 2	Jesus teaches KINDNESS
EXT	How we commemorate Good Friday in the Armenian Church	What it means to trust God	God is ever-present	How we develop kind hearts

	and why			
6.	The Easter Story: Resurrection	People of The Old Testament Abraham	People of The Old Testament Moses – Part 3	Jesus teaches THANKFULNESS
EXT	How we celebrate Easter Saturday and Sunday in the Armenian Church	With trust God wants patience	How we trust God without understanding	How we develop a thankful heart
7.	The Symbols of Easter	People of The Old Testament Isaac	People of The Old Testament Moses – Part 4	The Christmas Story
EXT	The importance of Christian symbols of Easter	With trust God wants kindness	Trusting God in difficult times	
8.	We Are Each So Special to God “The Wemmicks”	People of The Old Testament Jacob (3 Parts)	People of The Old Testament Moses- Part 5	
EXT	The type of Love Jesus demonstrated to us	With trust God wants dependence on Him	Making right decisions by trusting God	How Jesus fits in among all the presents
9.		People of The Old Testament Joseph – Part 1	People of The Old Testament Moses- Part 6	
EXT		Understanding God’s help as we trust Him	What God expects when we make wrong decisions	
10.		People of The Old Testament Joseph – Part 2	Putting the Old Testament Stories into Perspective	
EXT		Understanding God’s purpose as we trust Him	What it means to count on God for everything	

Year B Scripture Program

WEEK	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
1.	Jesus Teaches About Prayer The Lord's Prayer - Part I	Jesus Appears to His Disciples – Part I * The Emmaus Road * Doubting Thomas	The Walls of Jericho	The Christmas Story– Part I An Angel Visits Mary Jesus is Born
EXT	Understanding the pattern of prayer Jesus taught	Why and how Jesus reassured His disciples	What obedience and faith-fulness to God means for us	Why God chose Mary
2.	Jesus Teaches About Prayer The Lord's Prayer -Part II	Jesus Appears to His Disciples – Part II * Breakfast at the Beach * The Ascension	Samuel - A Precious Baby	The Christmas Story – Part II Angels Tell the Good News The Messiah is Born
EXT	Understanding the pattern of prayer Jesus taught	How we can be reassured today	What God's timing teaches us about obedience	Why was Jesus, promised King, born in a manger
3.	Jesus Teaches About Prayer Perseverance in Prayer	Who were the disciples of Jesus?	Samuel – A Prophet of God	Jesus Escapes to Egypt
EXT	How God answers prayers	What is discipleship	What does it mean to listen to God	God's plans cannot be thwarted
4.	Jesus Teaches About Prayer Humility in Prayer	The Early Church: Part I Pentecost – The Coming of the Holy Spirit	Ruth	Mary & Joseph Look for Jesus
EXT	Why we should pray with humility	How the Holy spirit dwells in us	Understanding God's ways can be different	Acknowledging God as we do our parents
5.	Jesus Teaches About Prayer Forgiveness in Prayer	The Early Church: Part II * The Apostles Heal Many * Peter Heals the Lame Man	David & Goliath	John the Baptist
EXT	How forgiveness works	How the Holy Spirit guides us in our lives	Understanding God's perspective can be different	Understanding why God sent His Son, Jesus
6.	Easter Palm Sunday & The Last Supper	The Early Church: Part III Stephen – The First Christian Martyr	David, Jonathon & Saul	The Devil Tempts Jesus
EXT	The events of Easter were a part of God's plan	How we can live by example	What does it mean to have a heart for God	Understanding temptation and resistance

7.	Easter The Crucifixion	The Early Church: Part IV * Preaching the Gospel * Thaddeus & Bartholomew in Armenia	Solomon	Jesus the Teacher
EXT	The events of Easter were a part of God's plan	Why God wants us to ask questions and learn	How we can show God is important to us	Understanding God's love and how He wants us to live for Him
8.	Easter The Resurrection	Paul's Conversion	Jonah's Story	Jesus Loves the Children
EXT	God's plan fulfilled	Understanding that God has a plan for us	What God expects from us despite our fears	Understanding how can we get to know Jesus better
9.		Paul at Philippi	Job - Part I	
EXT		Facing difficult situations and trusting God	Finding faith in difficult times	
10.		Paul's Final Journey	Job – Part II	
EXT		Trusting God's ways and promise to us	Understanding God is in control	

Year C Scripture Program

WEEK	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
1.	Jesus: The Promised Messiah	Jesus Ascends to Heaven & Sends the Holy Spirit	People of the Old Testament: Deborah	K-Y3 Story: Into His Presence Y4-6 The Armenian Apostolic Church: Church Building
EXT	Why God's people were awaiting the Messiah and how they expected him to be	Why the Holy Spirit was sent to guide our lives	Recognising the qualities of Deborah we can learn from	Understanding the parts of Armenian Apostolic Church
2.	Jesus' Authority Through Miracles Part I – The Wedding of Cana	Jesus Teaches – The Parable of the Lost Coin/Sheep/Son	People of the Old Testament: Gideon	K-Y3 Story: The Timmy Club Y4-6 The Armenian Apostolic Church: Clergy of the Church
EXT	Understanding the what and why of Jesus' authority	Understanding what free will is and its consequences	Recognising the weakness of Gideon we can learn from	Understanding the roles in the Armenian Apostolic Church
3.	Jesus' Authority Through Miracles Part II – Jesus Heals a Lame Man by the Pool	Jesus Teaches – The Parable of the Two Builders	People of the Old Testament: Samson	K-Y3 Story: The Broken Toy Y4-6 The Armenian Apostolic Church: Vestments & Vessels
EXT	Why Jesus had the authority to forgive sin	What does it mean to have strong foundations in our faith	Understanding how God gives us strength	Understanding the sacred instruments of the Armenian Apostolic Church
4.	Jesus' Authority Through Miracles Part III – Jesus Heals Jairus's Daughter	Jesus Teaches – Parables About Good & Evil	People of the Old Testament: Elijah	K-Y3 Story: The Broken Kite Y4-6 The Armenian Apostolic Church: The Badarak (Divine Liturgy)
EXT	Understanding the hope that comes with Jesus' authority	How do we determine good from evil	Recognising the qualities of Elijah we can learn from	Understanding how we worship in the Armenian Apostolic Church
5.	Jesus' Authority Through Miracles	Jesus Teaches – The Parable of the Three Servants	People of the Old Testament: Elijah & Elisha	K-Y3 Story: The Angry Boy Y4-6

	Part IV – Jesus Feeds 5000			The Armenian Apostolic Church: The Nicene Creed
EXT	Understanding the provision that comes with Jesus’ authority	Recognising our gifts from God and how we use them	Understanding God’s protection in times of discouragement	Understanding the basis of our faith in the Armenian Apostolic Church
6.	Jesus’ Authority Through Miracles Part V – Jesus Calms the Storm	Jesus Teaches – The Sermon on the Mount - The Beatitudes	People of the Old Testament: Jeremiah	K-Y3 Story: The Popularity Contest Y4-6 The Armenian Apostolic Church: Sacraments & Feast Days
EXT	Understanding the refuge that comes with Jesus’ authority	Recognising why God’s ways are different from the world’s	What faithfulness to God means	Understanding what rites and some feasts of the Armenian Apostolic Church
7.	The Easter Story Part I - Palm Sunday Washing of Feet The Last Supper Garden of Gethsemane	Jesus Teaches – The Sermon on the Mount – More Lessons “Light and Salt of the Earth”	People of the Old Testament: Daniel – Part I	K-Y3 Christmas Y4-6 The Bible
EXT	Understanding that Jesus’ great authority pointed to the events of Easter	What making a conscious effort as Christians means	What it means to put God first	Understanding how the Holy Bible is composed and structured
8.	The Easter Story Part II – Peter Denies Jesus The Crucifixion The Resurrection	Jesus Teaches - More Parables - The Unforgiving Servant	People of the Old Testament: Daniel – Part II	Review Scripture Quiz
EXT	Understanding that Jesus’ great authority pointed to the cross	What forgiving 7 x 77 means for us	How we can become an example for God	
9.		Jesus Teaches - More Parables - The Ten Bridesmaids	People of the Old Testament: Esther	

EXT		How we can be sure in living God's way	Making our lives matter in God's service	
10.		Jesus Teaches The Greatest Commandment - Love -	People of the Old Testament: Nehemiah	
EXT		Why the commandment of love is so important	Understanding how we can serve and honour God daily	