

3-5's | W1

Today's Suggested Schedule—August 2026, Week 1

Bible Story: God Made Everything. God Made Me. • Genesis 1:1-31; Psalm 104

God made everything, and God made me.

Key Question: Who made you wonderful?

Bottom Line: God made me wonderful

Memory Verse: How you made me is amazing and wonderful. • Psalm 139:14 NIV

Loud sounds, bright lights, and large groups can be overwhelming or overstimulating for some children. To create a more inclusive large group experience, consider offering adaptive tools like noise-canceling headphones, sunglasses, sensory-friendly items, or access to modified spaces.

Prelude: Setting the tone for the experience

- See the Getting Ready pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

Social: Providing time for fun interaction

- Creation Moves
- Fizzy, Fizzy World\
- Reach for the Stars

Story: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

- Worship
- Bible Story
- Prayer

Groups: Creating a safe place to connect

- Memory Verse with Motions
- God Made Story Box
- Creation Clues
- What Did God Make?
- Wonderful World
- Journal and Prayer

Home: Prompting action beyond the experience

- Memory Verse Card
- Parent Cue Card (print or email)
- Parent Cue App
- Story (10 minutes)

Engage children's hearts through a dynamic and interactive Worship, Bible Story, and prayer experience in a Large Group setting.



Bible Story

God Made Everything. God Made Me. • Genesis 1:1-31; Psalm 104

Key Question

Who made you wonderful?

Bottom Line

God made me wonderful

Memory Verse

How you made me is amazing and wonderful. • Psalm 139:14 NIV

15 min

Social

5 min

Creation Moves | Made to Move *Uses Minimal Supplies*

What You Need

No supplies needed



EveryChild tips

- **Adapt Movements for All Abilities:** For children with limited mobility or who are in a wheelchair, all of these actions can be adapted to be done from a seated position. "Mountains" can be making a point with their hands, "waves" can be moving their arms, "grass" can be wiggling their upper body and arms, and the "sun" can be making a circle with their arms.
- As you call out each creation element, use your own body to make a big, clear, and fun example. Adding simple sound effects (whoosh for waves, swish for grass) makes the activity more multi-sensory and engaging for all learners.

Providing time for fun interaction

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Gather children in an open area of the room where they have plenty of space to move without bumping into each other.

During the Activity: Call out different ways for children to move and bend and twist their bodies to pretend to be things God created.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, friends! I'm so happy you're here. Our Bible Story today is all about the amazing world God made. Let's use our whole bodies to pretend to be some of the wonderful things God created!"

During the Activity: "Listen and do what I do! First, God made tall, strong mountains! Can you make your body look like a mountain? Stand with your feet far apart and make a big point over your head with your hands! (*Demonstrate a triangle shape.*) Wow, look at these strong mountains! Next, God made the big oceans with lots of splashy waves! Can you make your body look like a wave? Let's stand up and move our arms up and down like a big wave in the water! Whoosh, whoosh! (*Demonstrate.*) Great waves, everyone! God also made tall grass that blows in the wind. Can you stand up tall and wiggle your whole body like grass blowing in the wind? Swish, swish, swish! (*Demonstrate.*) Beautiful!"

And God made the bright, warm sun! Can you make your body look like a sun? Let's make a big, round circle with our arms! (*Demonstrate making a circle shape over your head.*) You are all so bright and shiny!"

After the Activity: "You all did an amazing job making your bodies look like the wonderful things God made! God made mountains, and water, and grass, and the sun. He made everything! But the Bible says the most special, most wonderful thing He made is YOU! Let's go hear all about it!"

5 min

Wonderful World | Made to Create

What You Need

	"Wonderful World" Activity Page	1
	Cardstock	1
	Blue and green crayons or markers	Several
	Glue sticks	1
	Camera	1
	Photo paper	1
	Scissors	1
	Baby wipes	Several
	Permanent marker	Several

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Wonderful World" on cardstock, one per child. For each child, fold the sides of their paper backwards along the lines, then cut the paper while folded. Fold each child's flaps forward to cover the writing. Write each child's name on their paper. Take a picture of each child, print it, and cut it to size.

During the Activity: Encourage children to decorate the outside of their paper with blue and green. Open the flaps and ask children to glue their picture to the inside.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come sit at the table with me. We're going to make a special story picture to help us remember today's Bible Story."

During the Activity: "First, color the front of your paper with green for the land and blue for the water to make the world. *(Allow time for children to color.)* God made the whole world! Now open up the world and inside, let's put the most special part of God's creation right in the middle. What do you think that is? *(Pause for responses.)* It's YOU! Let's glue your picture right in the center. *(Help each child glue their photo in the middle of their colored Earth. If you don't have photos, have them draw a smiley face.)*

Okay, now close the flaps so you see the world. *(Pause.)* When you open the flaps... PEEK-A-BOO! There you are! You are the most wonderful thing in all of God's creation!"

After the Activity: "God made the whole big world, but the Bible says God's greatest creation of all is YOU! God made you so special and so wonderful. **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful!"**

5 min

Journal and Prayer | Made to Reflect

What You Need

	"Memory Verse Card" from the Home folder	1
	Cardstock	1
	Bible	1
	Journal	1
	Fun-shaped pen	1
	Scissors	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Memory Verse Card" on cardstock and cut, one per Small Group. Place one card in your Bible at Psalm 139:14. *Note: Keep this card in your Bible all month long.*

Encourage the children to move like their favorite animal that God made as you lead them to your Small Group spot. Sit down and gather the children around you.

During the Activity: Review the Bible Story and the Memory Verse Hand Motions. Ask the children to list ways we can grow God's kingdom.

After the Activity: Pray with the children using the list you made in the journal.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "It's Small Group time! Our Bible Story says that God made ALL the animals! Big elephants, and tiny grasshoppers. You can be any animal you want to be. Let's walk to our spot like our favorite animals! (*Pretend to walk like any animal as you lead the children.*) Here we are! One, two, three, sit down with me!"

During the Activity: (Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.) "In our Bible Story today, we learned that God made the world and everything in it. At first, there was nothing. Then God created light. God made the land and oceans and sky. The tall mountains and land, oceans and rivers and quiet lakes. The shining sun and fluffy clouds, a beautiful moon, and twinkling stars. God made the animals big and small; God made them all! But that's still not all God made. God made people! That means God made you and He made you amazing and wonderful. **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful.**

"The Bible verse we are learning helps us remember what to do. It says: 'How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful' (*push hands up twice*). Psalm 139:14 (*open hands like a book*). Now do what I do and say what I say. "How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful' (*push hands up twice*). Psalm 139:14 (*open hands like a book*). Great job, everyone! God's greatest, most special creation is you! **Who made you wonderful? [Bottom Line] God made me wonderful.**

(Open journal.) "Let's thank God for all the wonderful things He made. When I say your name, you can tell me something you want to thank God for making. It can be your favorite animal, or a person, or a favorite food! (*Remember to print, as you write in the journal, so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)"

After the Activity: (Hold up the journal.) "This is a wonderful list of things to be thankful for! I want to add one more thing. I want to thank God

for making YOU! (*Look at a child.*) And YOU! (*Look at another child.*) And YOU! (*Go around and make eye contact with each child.*) You are the most wonderful thing God made. Let's pray and talk to God about it. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? (*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*) Dear God, thank You for making so many amazing things, like (*read the list from the journal*). But thank You most of all for making each one of us so special and wonderful. Help us remember that YOU made us wonderful. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Getting Ready |

3-5's Small Group

Here's everything you need to know to get ready for this week.

1. Creation Moves

Made to Move

What You Need:

- No supplies needed

2. Fizzy, Fizzy World

Made to Play

What You Need:

- "Allergy Alert Poster", one per Small Group
- Cardstock, one piece per Small Group
- Large, round tray, one per Small Group
- Baking soda, several boxes per Small Group
- Green and blue food coloring, one bottle of each per Small Group
- Small squeeze bottles, one per child
- Vinegar, one bottle per Small Group
- Small plastic animals and Little People® figurines, one per child
- Plastic tablecloth, one per Small Group
- *Optional: Droppers or pipettes and plastic cups in place of small squeeze bottles.*

What You Do:

- Print "Allergy Alert Poster" on cardstock, list baking soda, food coloring, and vinegar and post at the door.
- Cover your table with the plastic tablecloth.
- Pour a layer of baking soda into the bottom of the sensory bin, smoothing it out.
- In different sections, drop several dots of green food coloring and blue food coloring onto the baking soda to represent land and water.
- Fill each squeeze bottle halfway with vinegar, one for every three children.

3. Reach for the Stars

Made to Imagine

What You Need:

- Dark blue or black butcher paper, one per Small Group
- Star-shaped sticky notes (yellow, white, or glittery ones are great), several per child
- Painter's tape, one roll per Small Group

What You Do:

- Tape the large sheet of butcher paper vertically to a wall.
- Make sure it starts close to the floor so all children can reach and goes up as high as possible to create a challenge.
- Place the star sticky notes nearby

Groups

Creating a Safe Place to Connect

25 minutes

Create a safe place to connect through activities written to reach every learning style while reinforcing the Bottom Line introduced during the Bible Story and applying it to real-life experiences. In addition, these activities provide preschoolers with an opportunity to build relationships with their Small Group Leader.

Offer as many of the following activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow. You may want to lead one activity at a time. Or offer two activities at once and allow half the children to participate in each. Then switch groups and repeat the activities.

1. Memory Verse with Motions

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review*Made to Move***What You Need:**

- No supplies needed

Optional EveryChild Supplies:

- "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF
- Cardstock
- VELCRO® dots
- Scissors

2. God Made Story Box

*Made to Play***What You Need:**

- Medium-sized box like a shoebox or a gift box, one per Small Group
- Small, child-safe mirror, one per Small Group
- Small items or toys that represent the things from the story (e.g., a toy elephant, a toy fish, a toy bird, a plastic flower/grass, a toy cow, a star sticker on a block, etc.), one of each per Small Group
- Duct tape, one roll per Small Group

What You Do:

- Tape the mirror to the bottom of the box.
- Add all the items or toys to the box, covering the mirror.

3. Creation Clues

*Made to Think***What You Need:**

- "Creation Clues" Activity Page, one set per Small Group
- Cardstock, two pieces per Small Group
- Scissors, one pair per Small Group

What You Do:

- Print "Creation Clues" on cardstock and cut, one set per Small Group.

4. What Did God Make?

*Made to Move***What You Need:**

- "What Did God Make?" Activity Page
- Avery Labels #6450 or equivalent

What You Do:

- Print "What Did God Make Sticker?" on label paper, one sticker per child.

5. Wonderful World

*Made to Create***What You Need:**

- "Wonderful World" Activity Page, one per child
- Cardstock, one piece per child
- Blue and green crayons or markers, one of each per child
- Glue sticks, one per child
- Camera, one per Small Group
- Photo paper, quarter piece per child
- Scissors, one pair per Small Group
- Baby wipes, one package per Small Group
- Permanent marker, one per Small Group

What You Do:

- Print "Wonderful World" on cardstock, one per child.
- For each child, fold the sides of their paper backwards along the lines then cut the paper while folded.
- Fold each child's flaps forward to cover the writing.
- Write each child's name on their paper.

6. Journal and Prayer

*Made to Reflect***What You Need:**

- "Memory Verse Card," one per Small Group
- Cardstock, one piece per Small Group
- Bible, one per Small Group
- Journal, one per Small Group
- Fun-shaped pen, one per Small Group
- Scissors, one pair per Small Group

What You Do:

- Print "Memory Verse Card" on cardstock and cut, one per Small Group.
- Place one card in your Bible at Psalm 139:14. *Note: Keep this card in your Bible all month long.*

Home: Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

- Make copies on cardstock or email this week's Parent Cue Card.
- Print the Memory Verse Card to hand out or make available to parents.
- Print "Going Home" and hang it on the door where Small Group Leaders can reference and remind parents of the Bottom Line and Memory Verse as parents pick up their children.
- Tell parents about our additional family resource, the **Parent Cue App**.

First Look Pinterest Page

Visit our Pinterest page to see craft samples and suggested supplies.
bit.ly/FL_MadeByGod

Supplies:

- Optional EveryChild Supplies: "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: Cardstock
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: VELCRO® dots
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: Scissors
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: 2. God Made Story Box
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: Talk about God | Bible Story Review
- Optional EveryChild Supplies: Made to Play

Supplies

Fizzy, Fizzy World | Made to Play

	Quantity
1. "Allergy Alert Poster"	1
2. Cardstock	1
3. Large, round tray	1
4. Baking soda	Several
5. Green and blue food coloring	Several
6. Small squeeze bottles	1
7. Vinegar	Several
8. Small plastic animals and Little People® figurines	Several
9. Plastic tablecloth	1
10. Optional: Droppers or pipettes and plastic cups in place of small squeeze bottles	Several

Reach for the Stars | Made to Imagine

	Quantity
1. Dark blue or black butcher paper	1
2. Star-shaped sticky notes (yellow, white, or glittery ones are great)	1
3. Painter's tape	1

Creation Clues | Made to Think

	Quantity
1. "Creation Clues" Activity Page	1
2. Cardstock	1
3. Scissors	1

What Did God Make? | Made to Move *Uses Minimal Supplies*

	Quantity
1. "What Did God Make?" Activity Page	1
2. Avery® Labels #6450 or equivalent	Several

Wonderful World | Made to Create

	Quantity
1. "Wonderful World" Activity Page	1
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3. Blue and green crayons or markers	Several
4. Glue sticks	1
5. Camera	1
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Memory Verse with Motions | Made to Move
Uses Minimal Supplies
Quantity

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| 1. | Optional EveryChild Supplies:
"Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF | Several |
| 2. | Optional EveryChild Supplies:
Cardstock | Several |
| 3. | Optional EveryChild Supplies:
VELCRO® dots | Several |
| 4. | Optional EveryChild Supplies:
Scissors | Several |

God Made Story Box | Made to Play
Quantity

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| 1. | Medium-sized box, like a shoebox or a gift box | 1 |
| 2. | Small, child-safe mirror | 1 |
| 3. | Small items or toys that represent the things from the story (e.g., a toy elephant, a toy fish, a toy bird, a plastic flower/grass, a toy cow, a star sticker on a block, etc.) | Several |
| 4. | Duct tape | Several |

Journal and Prayer | Made to Reflect
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