

Sunday School Grade 0

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

Preparation for El Nayrouz

Lessons for the month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- We celebrate the saints who are in heaven during the Coptic New Year.
- A saint is someone who did a lot of good things and followed Jesus.
- All these good people are called saints.
- When they die they go to heaven to be with Christ.
- They are happy because they see Jesus everyday.
- We can choose saints to be our friends.

Word Bank

- New Year



- Followed



- Good



- Christ



- Everyday



- Saints



Objective: Learn the names of some of the known saints.



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Memory Verse: “*The saints who are on the earth*” (Psalm 16:3)



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- **Conclusion**

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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

Resources

- Application
 - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non-A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
 - Coloring/Painting
 - Cut and Paste
 - Music/Games
- References
 - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade00.pdf>