

tips for youth workers

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SOMETHING NEW FOR THE NEW YEAR

It's always great to have a new perspective as we begin a new year. One way to change our perspective is to try something new. That's why we want to introduce you to two new ministry tools this month.



READY TO BE GOD'S SOLDIER – is the newly updated Junior Soldier Preparation Course for our territory. This six-week course prepares our young people, between the ages of 7-11, to become junior members who are ready to love, worship and serve God through the ministry of The Salvation Army. The lesson material focuses on:

God's Purpose – to know that we are made in God's image and that His purpose for each of us is to love, worship and serve Him.

God's Plan – to understand that God has a plan for us. He has an ABCDE plan – a plan of salvation.

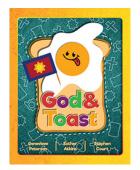
God's Protection – to recognize that God provides us with protection from Satan's attacks. That we need to choose to daily put on the Armour of God.

God's Church – to recognize that God created the "Church" so we can encourage each other. The Salvation Army is part of God's Church.

God's Helper – to see that God wants each of us to help others, especially those in need.

God's Witness – to believe that God keeps all His promises and that He will help us keep ours. God will help us live up to the Junior Soldier Promise.

In the JS Prep Course download, you will find everything you need to use and teach this material. We've included posters and social media images for promoting your course, a leader's guide with helpful leader information and easy-to-follow lesson plans, student activity sheets, and social media posts to connect with the students through the week. All this material can be downloaded at NO COST from CANBDAyouth.com.



GOD AND TOAST – What better way to start off the new year than by beginning the day with God? God and Toast is a new daily devotional resource for young people between the ages of 7-12. Written by Major Stephen Court, Major Genevieve Peterson and Esther Atkins this is a great tool that will help young people open their Bible each day, to discover the great truths that apply to their daily lives, to learn more about The Salvation Army and to challenge them to be ready to serve God in their home, school and neighbourhood. God and Toast challenges our young people to pray, to read and memorize scripture and take part in a Bible reading plan. You can choose to download either the whole 365 days of daily devotions or download it week by week and email it to families in your corps. Another option would be to print out the weekly readings and drop them off when you are doing your

visitation rounds connecting with families during COVID. Download today from CANBDAyouth.com!



GOD AND TOAST ALBUM - EVERY SINGLE memory verse (40) in the book (plus the 11 doctrines and the JS promises gets you to 42 weeks) has original music composed by Phil Laeger and performed by him with various singing companies around the world. It helps the kids memorize the words of the memory verses (it can also be a resource for singing companies around the territory). You can access the album on Spotify, Apple Music or find it here on Youtube.

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