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WELCOME

SONG: O Happy Day

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ik0mc5zgvxQ> (actions; will add lyrics to the video)

WELCOME

Energetically welcome kids to a brand new year at tNCC Kidz!

Introduce new kids (including those who have graduated from a younger class).

Ensure kids are in the right classes:

RED: 3-5 yo

BLUE: 6-8 yo

YELLOW: 9-11 yo

YOUTH: 12 and above (12 yos have an option of staying back in YELLOW if they prefer to)

GAME: GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Here are some ideas for icebreakers. The purpose is to help the kids know each other better and to begin bonding as a class.

- Have each kid say their name, what school they go to and their favourite food
- Get the kids to form a line alphabetically by first names and then introduce themselves to the rest of the group (be sure to join the line yourself)
- Sit in a circle. Kids have to say their name and the name of someone else in the group. Then that someone has to say his/her name and someone else's name, etc. Continue playing until all kid's names have been said.

Variation #1: Memory element where kids have to say the names of those before them in sequence and add their name at the end.

Variation #2: Same as Variation #1, but kids' names include a nickname that starts with the first letter of their name, e.g. Jolly Joseph.

- Switching sides: <http://mommieshobbies.blogspot.my/2014/01/switch-sides-if.html>
- Human Bingo: Prepare a sheet with a 5x5 grid. List down various skills/characteristics. Kids have to find someone who fits that description and write their names in that box. Those who get 3 straight lines (either horizontal/vertical/diagonal) first win.

<http://myfreebingocards.com/human-bingo>



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LESSON

GOD'S PROMISES

Print/write out some of God's promises and put them into a bag/box.

E.g. <https://www.carsondellosa.com/products/6363--God-s-Promises-for-Kids-Chart-6363>;
<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/161637074097209764/>; <https://lynndove.com/2013/01/01/25-encouraging-scripture-verses-for-the-new-year/>

Hi kids. How was 2017 for you? *Good/bad/terrible/great etc*

Now is the start of a new year. But sometimes it seems like we are still facing the challenges and problems of the past year.

I want to encourage all of you: Challenges may be here, but do you know that God is also here?

In the Bible, God makes many promises to us, His children.

Let's read some of them. [Get volunteers to pick a promise from the bag/box and read it out loudly]

These are all wonderful promises. And I want all of you to really hide these in your heart and believe in them.

[Flash the verses on screen and have the kids read them out together].

You see ... we may not know what the new year holds for us. It may be scary. But we do not need to fear. Why? Because God is with us. And He will NEVER leave us or forsake us. And that's another great promise.

How do we know He will keep His promises? Because we have Jesus. And all God's promises are fulfilled in Jesus.

2 Cor 1:20 *For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God.*



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ACTIVITY SUGGESTIONS

HUDDLE TIME

Get into small groups. Pass out the contact cards. Get the children to fill in their details, write down a promise of God that speaks to them, and write a prayer point that they are trusting God for in 2018. Pray for each other.

Remember to collect back the cards.