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From Puppets To Praise: VBS Overcomes Digital Distractions, Wins Young Hearts

Collective Effort For A Higher Purpose

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USPA NEWS - The ongoing Vacation Bible School (VBS) in Proddatur continues to witness overwhelming participation, with daily attendance not less than 1,000 students, as innovative teaching methods—including puppet shows, action songs, and interactive lessons—are being used to nurture spiritual growth and guide children to “walk worthy of the Lord,” despite challenges posed by the digital age.

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Puppet Show Emerges as a Major Attraction

On the eighth day, puppet show stood out as a key highlight, drawing enthusiastic engagement from children. According to God's servant KM Ephraim, these shows go beyond entertainment, serving as powerful tools to communicate biblical truths in a simple and relatable manner.

He explained that storytelling through puppets allows children to absorb values like obedience, repentance, and faith naturally. “When a puppet speaks, children listen without hesitation and retain the message effortlessly,” he noted, emphasizing that early and meaningful teaching lays a strong spiritual foundation.

Interactive Learning: Beyond Traditional Teaching

VBS teachers have adopted a multi-dimensional approach to teaching, combining Bible lessons, action songs, puppet shows, and handicraft activities. These methods are designed to engage children holistically—mentally, physically, and emotionally—ensuring better understanding and long-term retention of spiritual lessons.

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Action Songs: ‘Teaching in Motion’

Action songs have become another effective teaching tool at VBS. By blending music with physical movement, they enable children to learn by doing, turning biblical lessons into joyful and participatory experiences.

Organizers noted that while spoken lessons may fade, songs combined with actions remain in memory, reinforcing scriptural truths and fostering unity and enthusiasm among participants.

Overcoming Digital Distractions

One of the biggest challenges faced by VBS has been attracting children in an era dominated by mobile phones and social media. Despite this, the consistent turnout of 1,000 students daily reflects the strong appeal of the program.

Stakeholders attribute this to a combination of engaging teaching methods, a sense of community, and a spiritually enriching environment that draws children beyond digital distractions.

Collective Effort for a Higher Purpose

Behind the success of the VBS lies the dedicated effort of teachers, volunteers, and church members, especially youth who have worked tirelessly to create a safe, engaging, and spiritually uplifting environment.

Every effort—despite logistical and modern-day challenges—is aimed at one goal: nurturing children in a God-centered way so they grow into individuals who can positively influence their lives and communities.

The Core Mission

At the heart of the VBS is its central theme—“Walk Worthy of the Lord.” Every activity, lesson, and interaction is designed to instill values that guide children toward spiritual maturity.

As VBS organizers emphasize, the challenges faced today are temporary, but the values planted in young hearts have the potential to yield lifelong impact—ensuring that the next generation grows not only in knowledge but in faith and character.

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