

MATERIAL TO BE LEARNED

1. Memorize all books of the Bible.
2. Memorize all Green Cycle verses and references.
3. Memorize the title and reference of the Green Cycle Key Passages, and be able to locate in the Bible the chapter(s) in which the passage is located.
4. Memorize the questions, answers, and references of the Plan of Salvation Drill.

CHURCH DRILL PACKET* REQUESTS

Church leader: To obtain a church drill packet you **MUST CONTACT** the Children's Ministry Office by **February 6, 2026** You can either call us (318.448.3402 ext. 226) or email us (Darlene.taylor@lbc.org)

NOTE: When a packet is requested, it will be mailed three weeks prior to the suggested Church Drill date found in this brochure. Please indicate the number of children participating in your drill.

***Drill packet contents:** One certificate for each participant, seals, one copy of the drill (word for word calls and responses), one church report form, and one copy of the score sheet.

DRILLS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Church Drill: The church drill should be conducted at the church before an audience. A certificate and seal* is presented to **EACH** participant. Children must participate in a church drill to be eligible for the district drill. Those with 12 or fewer mistakes will advance to the district drill. The person in charge of the church drill should completely fill out and send the "Church Report Form"* to their **DISTRICT BIBLE DRILL CONSULTANT** – NOT the State Office – No later than **March 22nd**. See District Drill assignments, locations, and contact information at www.louisianabaptists.org/bibledrill

*Found in the "Church Drill Packet". The church leader must request this "packet" from the State Office. See above.

District Drill: The district drill is held at a time and place set by YOUR District Consultant. Children must participate in a district drill to be eligible for the State drill. A District seal will be presented to EACH participant.* Those with 8 or fewer mistakes will advance to the state drill. The District Bible Drill consultant should *completely* fill out & send the "District Report Form"* to the Children's Ministry Office at the Louisiana Baptist Convention, including each child who qualifies. This report **MUST BE POSTMARKED** no later than **April 13, 2026**. Please don't forget to indicate 3-Year State Qualifiers.

*Can be found in the "District Drill Packet". The "District Drill Packet" will automatically be mailed to the District Bible Drill Consultants.

State Drill: See "2026 Children's State Drills" locations and times in this brochure. Each participant will either receive a State Participant Seal (5 or more mistakes) or a State Winner seal (4 or less mistakes) to represent his achievement. All participants receiving perfect scores (No mistakes by EACH JUDGE) in their competition shall receive a Perfect Score seal. Each child who has qualified for State Drill for three years will receive a Three-Year Participant award (a bronze medallion).

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS AVAILABLE FROM LIFEWAY

Bible Skills, Drills, & Thrills (Green Cycle)

***LEADER GUIDE, GRADES 4-6**

***LEADER PACK, GRADES 4-6**

***ACTIVITY BOOK, GRADES 4-6**

***COMPETITION GUIDE**

****PLEASE NOTE:** DO NOT order the verse cards from Lifeway as the Plan of Salvation drill is not included in their materials. Please download the verse cards from

www.louisianabaptists.org/bibledrill

Call 1-800-458-2772, Fax 1-615-251-5933, or email: customerservice@lifeway.com. You can also visit www.lifeway.com or any of the Lifeway stores to obtain these materials.



Children's Bible Drill Green Cycle 2026

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The enclosed information is only available online at www.louisianabaptists.org/bibledrill
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IMPORTANT DATES

Church Drill (suggested date).....March 8, 2026
District Drill (required date).....March 29, 2026

2026 CHILDREN'S STATE DRILLS	
DATE/TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday, April 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Temple Baptist, Ruston
Thursday, April 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.	FBC Covington
Saturday, April 18, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Calvary, Alexandria

PURPOSE

The purposes of the Children's Bible Drill are: to help children increase in knowledge of the Bible; to develop skills in locating Bible books and Key Passages; to memorize the names of the books of the Bible in order and the Bible verses and key passages indicated in the current cycle; and to learn how to apply the Bible to their lives.

PARTICIPANTS

Children who are classified by the church as 4th, 5th, and 6th graders for the church year are eligible to participate. A method of participation will be worked out for children with special needs to fit their individual situation.

BASIC MATERIALS

Verse cards and this Procedural Pamphlet are available on the LBC website at www.louisianabaptists.org/bibledrill

Drill Bibles are also needed and are available from Lifeway:

King James Version

Christian Standard Bible

DRILL PROCEDURES

To conduct the drill, a drill leader (caller), a timekeeper, and three judges are used. Each judge will score **ALL** participants, maximum of 12 per group. Participants should be tagged with large numbers for ease in scoring and calling on them to respond. Judges score only mistakes for **ALL** participants. (See the "Mistakes" section in this pamphlet.) In scoring, when there is a question, the judging team will give participants the benefit of the doubt. The **caller** is the only one that confirms a memory response by "That is Correct" or "Please try again" (one extra chance only). If a driller cannot give the proper response, the conductor will ask the group to respond in unison. If the group is a mixed group (KJV and HCSB together), the conductor will give the correct response. **All other judging issues are the responsibility of the judges and the conductor will refrain from any comments of any kind in reference to mistakes during the drill.**

***NOTE:** At each drill level, scores are totaled, then averaged.

MISTAKES

Judges will place a number (1-5) in the appropriate box, on a score sheet, to indicate the mistake. Only one mistake may be scored for a participant on any single call. In scoring, when there is a question, the judging team should give the participants the benefit of the doubt.

Mistakes are:

1. Child fails to step out within 10 seconds.
2. Child gives incorrect responses (indicated by conductor). This includes any child who raises his/her hands, indicating an error. It is an error to step out, then step back, then step out again, even if it is in the allotted time.
3. Child fails to stand straight, keep eyes on the leader, or begins any movement before the command "Start" is given.
4. Child steps forward before the index finger is on the correct response (applies to those calls in which the Bible is used).
5. Child fails to handle the Bible according to instructions or obviously misuses the Bible. The Bible should be held parallel to the floor with one hand flat on the top and one hand flat on the bottom with no fingers or thumbs extending over the edges.

***PLEASE NOTE:** At each drill level, scores are totaled, then averaged.

DRILL COMMANDS

"Attention" – When the conductor gives the call, the participant will stand erect with one foot not extended in front of the other, hands by side, heads up, eyes on the leader, and Bible in either hand at side, spine side down.

"Present Bibles" – Participants bring the Bible to waistline. The Bible should be parallel to the floor with one hand flat on the top and one hand flat on the bottom with no fingers extending over the edges. This call, ("Present Bibles") is used only in the Book Drill and Key Passage Drill. Following "Present Bibles", the conductor announces the call.

"Start" – In the Quotation, Completion, and Plan of Salvation Drills, each participant who knows the reference will step forward one step when the conductor gives this call. For the Book Drill and the Key Passage Drill, the participant will begin searching in the Bible. When the verse is found, the participant steps forward with a finger on the appropriate place. After stepping forward, the participant is to look at the conductor. It is a mistake to begin movement before "Start" is called.

"Time" – The timekeeper calls time at the end of 10 seconds. The full ten seconds is given on each call. There is to be **no** "All Out" called to shorten the drill. No one may step forward after "time" is called, and all participants should stop searching. The conductor calls on one participant, who will give the proper response. A participant will be expected to raise his hand when he has the wrong reference whether called upon or not. If the child called upon cannot give the proper response, the conductor will ask the group to respond in unison. If the group has a mixed group (KJV and CSB together), the conductor will give the correct response.

"Attention" – **The participant will close his Bible and take one step back to his original position.**

TYPES OF DRILLS

The scriptures and references for Quotation and Completion verses, Key Passages, and Plan of Salvation are found on the verse card "Children's Bible Drill Verses (Green Cycle).

Quotation Drill.....6 Calls.....Bible is not used

References are taken from verses in the red cycle. The conductor gives the reference (Example: "Genesis 1:1"). If the participant knows the verse, he steps forward one step on the call "Start", prepared to quote the verse and to give the reference.

Completion Drill.....6 Calls.....Bible is not used

References are taken from the verses in the red cycle. The conductor quotes the part of the verse that is underline [Example: (HCS) "In the Beginning" or (KJV) "In the Beginning"]. If the participant can complete the verse, he steps forward one step on the call "Start", prepared to quote the entire verse and give the reference.

Book Drill.....6 Calls.....Bible is used

Any book in the Bible may be called. The leader calls a book of the Bible. After the call "Start" is given, the participant finds any page in the book called, places a finger on the Page and steps forward prepared to name the book preceding the one called, the book Called, and the book following the one called.

Key Passage Drill.....6 Calls.....Bible is used

Only those key passages in the red cycle will be used. The conductor gives the reference by stating the subject or title given to the passage (Example: "The Ten Commandments"). the participant finds the passage (Exodus 20:3-17), places his finger on any portion of the passage & steps forward. When called upon, the participant will state the **key passage and reference**. The conductor will designate one or more verses to read aloud. If the verse called for is on another page, the child must ask permission to turn the page. **Reading ability is not judged.**

Plan of Salvation.....5 Calls.....Bible is not used

The conductor asks the question. If the participant can answer the question, he steps forward one step on the call "Start", prepared to **state and answer the question, give the reference, and quote the verse.**