

*Children and Worship* is a unique and innovative approach to worship with young children. It is a program that involves children in experiencing the biblical stories through a multi-sensory approach to worship. The workshop was developed by Dr. Sonja Stewart.

*Children and Worship* is spiritually enriching for both children and adults. Through demonstrations, lectures, and hands-on practice, participants will become acquainted with the philosophy, content, and administration of the program; learn how to present Bible stories; and learn how to create an environment that invites children to experience the wonder and mystery of God.

• Who should attend?

Children's worship leaders, pastors, directors of Christian education, and any others who work with children.

• **Both sessions are required to obtain the entire scope of training. There is different content in each session.**

• The cost is \$90.00 per person. Participants will need to obtain a copy of the book, *Young Children and Worship* by Sonja Stewart and Jerome Berryman. It may be ordered from Faith Alive Christian Resources by calling 1-800-333-8300 or [www.faithaliveresources.org](http://www.faithaliveresources.org)

Questions? Contact Alice Apol - 616-949-8869  
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#### LEADERS:

**Alice Apol** is an experienced worship leader for young children. She received her training at Western Seminary in Holland, Michigan, from Sonja Stewart, the author of *Young Children and Worship*.

**Briar Plantinga** has been a worship leader alongside Alice Apol for the past four years. Briar is an educator by trade teaching children and adults.

Register online [www.rca.org/cwevents](http://www.rca.org/cwevents) or mail by Aug. 9 to:

Lynn Setsma  
Faith Alive Christian Resources  
2850 Kalamazoo SE  
Grand Rapids MI 49560  
(616) 224-0784

#### DATES

**Friday, Aug. 27** 3:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
(please bring a brown bag supper-there will not be time to go out.)

**Saturday, Aug. 28** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
(please bring a brown bag lunch-there will not be time to go out for lunch.)

Coffee, cold drinks, and a snack will be provided both days.

**Registration will be limited to 25 people.**

Please register me for the CHILDREN & WORSHIP REGIONAL TRAINING  
Please include complete information for each person attending. Home phone numbers are important.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose tuition fee: **\$90.00 per person**

Make checks payable to: **Children & Worship**

For more information call: Lynn Setsma at 616-224-0784 | [setsma@crca.org](mailto:setsma@crca.org)

Schedule  
Friday, August 27, 2010

Welcome & Devotions

Experiencing the Worship Approach  
Story: The Good Shepherd

Getting Ready to be With God - Orientation to  
the Worship Center  
Story: "The Light"

Biblical Narratives, Liturgical Stories  
and Parable Storytelling  
Old Testament Stories:  
Creation, Abram & Sarai

Worship Center Organization

Singing and Signing  
Old Testament Story:  
Ten Best Ways to Live

Wondering Together - Children's Responses  
Art Response - Children's Responses

Story Practice

Schedule  
Saturday, August 28, 2010

Devotions

Church year and Church calendar  
Using Liturgical Colors  
Story: How the Church Tells Time

Advent and Christmas Stories

The Role of the Greeter

Epiphany Stories  
Jesus in the Temple  
Jesus in the Wilderness

Parables  
The Pearl  
The Good Samaritan

Story practice

Singing and Signing

Lenten Stories  
Jesus and the Children  
Jesus' Last Passover

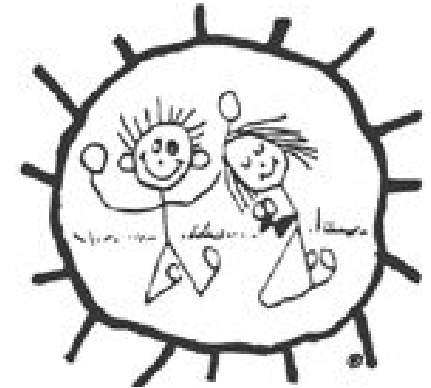
Children's Prayers in the Worship Center

Easter Story  
Jesus is Risen: Appearance to Mary Magdalene

Pentecost

Closing Worship and Commissioning  
Story: The Good Shepherd and the Last Supper

# CHILDREN AND WORSHIP TRAINING



August 27, 2010  
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Led by:

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