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## CF Youth and Children NEWSLETTER



Hello everyone, my name is **ABIGAIL SATHULU** and I am your guest editor for the month.

I have been visiting churches during the summer and here are some of the highlights!

I had a wonderful time at **Hutton Free Church** for their mission week and in **Scunthorpe** for a 3 day holiday club.

**Hutton** had 20+ children from ages 5 to 12. Each day had a different story on a Bible character (Jonah, Nehemiah, Elijah, Hezekiah and Jesus Christ) and the theme was 'Ground Breakers'. There was lots of singing, crafts, games and the children enjoyed it every single day. They also had something going on for the youths during the day. Having to know that they had not done this for a very long time, it really went well and it was exciting to be part of it.



At **Scunthorpe** the theme for our first day was ``Be All You Can Be`` Being Unique in the body of Christ, and the second day ``Be All You Can Be`` looking for the things of God and encouraging one another. Even though they had fewer children for the Holiday Club the children really enjoyed and loved being there and they participated in all activities and the adults did too. The Holiday Club was a success.

I am praying for both churches that the seeds sown in all these children come to fruition with God`s help. The next church I am visiting is **Stambourne**, for another Holiday Bible Club: this time on the book of Daniel.

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## Free resource for children's ministry

I was given a project to write about what I think of the **2fish5bread** DVD from my point of view. I think **2fish5bread** is good because it talks about everyday life issues affecting children.

**TECHNOLOGY:** Firstly it talks about children having to spend too much time on the internet and yes it is very true this is happening all over the world and it is slowing taking over their lives. They are slowly moving away from the Biblical world view, as they are being discipled by the world.

**WAYS TO REACH THE CHILDREN WITH THE GOSPEL:** The DVD has got good ways to reach the children with the gospel. It has Bible lessons and stories, games, songs, videos, animations, and they all talk about God's love for them and how they can begin a long life relationship with him.

**ADVICE FOR TEACHERS:** For anyone involved in Children's work in the church the DVD has good leadership resources, trainings and bible Curriculum. These resources explore and share the importance of children ministry and how to help children as a children's worker. This might help teachers understand about children spiritually and emotionally. Not only does it have resources for children but also for young adults.

**DOWNLOAD:** 2FISH5BREAD is free to download and you can find all these resources at [www.max7.com](http://www.max7.com) and the website [www.2fish5bread.com](http://www.2fish5bread.com)



## Halloween ...

is big business, with sales increasing 30-fold in the last twelve years.

Scripture Union has produced a free resource pack of games, activities, learning and celebration for churches to use with children at the Halloween 'season'.

In a sensible commentary, the writers remind us that Halloween is a form of play about good and evil, 'a child dressing up as a witch doesn't mean they are interested in the occult'.

However, there is both an opportunity and a need to involve children in celebrating the light that overcomes darkness in Jesus Christ and that is what the material offers. [www.scriptureunion.org.uk](http://www.scriptureunion.org.uk)

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