Sample 3-Year Curriculum Plans

Resources used are from Diane Venzera, LLC www.dianevenzera.com & The Association of Unity Churches, Intl', www.unity.org

Creating a curriculum plan for your programs is one way to make the best use of the resources currently available. A plan also helps to create an orderly and solid foundation for teaching Truth principles.

Below you will find some ideas of how to combine what is currently available but the ultimate decision will be based on what works best for your spiritual community.

<u>lst Year – The Basics</u> Offer an exploration of Truth principles for all age groups.

There is more than enough material for a year's worth of lessons. You have the option of deciding how much time to devote to each unit and whether or not you want to offer something different in the summer. Also consider holidays and special events in your planning.

Unity' 5 Basic Principles

- Children Basic Unity Principles for Children, (20 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC, available 6/09
- Uniteens Bring on the Basics, (7 Lessons) Association of Unity Churches International
- Y.O.U. Unity Basics for YOU and Other Young Adults, (20 Lessons) Association of Unity Churches International

Metaphysical Principles

- Children & Uniteen In the Forest of Finding Out, (24 Lessons on metaphysics) Diane Venzera, LLC
- **YOU** Not available as a curriculum for this age group, but can use the book, The Simple Truth, and follow suggested activities.

2nd Year – The Bible & Self Discovery

Although Bible stories are used through out the curriculum offered here, you might consider offering specific Bible exploration for part of the year.

Since the Bible tells the story of our evolution in consciousness and, properly interpreted, is an excellent resource for the answer to any question we may have about living an empowered life, helping our children and teens understand this valuable resource is critical.

It is not just about learning the stories in the Bible but also developing the tools and skills to look beyond the appearances of our life events to the Truth within them.

Hebrew Scriptures

Curriculum not currently available.

Christian Scriptures

- Children The Teachings of Jesus for Children, (20 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC
- Uniteens & YOU The Teachings of Jesus for Teens, (20 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC, available 6/09

Self Discovery

- Children Choices of...
 - Lumindorf (Harry Potter), (13 Lessons) and/or The Journey to Oz, (12 Lessons)
 Diane Venzera, LLC
 - Both explore the hero's journey and discoveries we make about ourselves along the way.
- Uniteen Choices of... Association of Unity Churches International
 - Navigating Through Change, (8 Lessons)
 - o **Relationships**, (7 Lessons)
 - o **Self Image**, (7 Lessons)
 - o Choices & Consequences, (7 Lessons)
 - o Fair Play, (7 Lessons)
 - o *Make a Difference*, (7 Lessons)
- YOU Choices of... Association of Unity Churches International
 - Authentic Relationships, (8 Lessons)
 - Also possible to use some of the Small Group Ministry Publications.

3rd Year – The 12 Powers of Man

A comprehensive study of the 12 Powers gives our children and teens plenty of time to explore how Unity defines each power, what the power means to them personally and how to take their power out into the world and live it.

Since the curriculum explores each power in four different ways, it is flexible enough to be offered from a 12 week exploration to an entire year of exploration.

12 Powers

- Children A Celebration of Our 12 Powers for Children, (48 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC
- Uniteens & YOU A Celebration of Our 12 Powers for Teens, (48 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC

Other Curriculum Available

Holidays

- All Ages Holiday Spirit Guides, (1 Lesson/holiday) Association of Unity Churches International
- All Ages A Season of Lent, (8 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC
- Children A Celebration of Advent, (4 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC

Summer Programs

The following programs are written in a Vacation Bible School format but can easily be adapted for weekly Sunday use.

- All Ages The Amazing Creation Studio Association of Unity Churches International
- All Ages Supernova Spirit Camp, (4 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC
- Children Jungle Safari Spirit Camp, (3 Lessons) Diane Venzera, LLC