

RENEW AT A GLANCE

Mission Moment

What will kids do? Kids offer gifts of money or requested items (school supplies, non-perishable foods, and so forth) during each day's Gather time.

Why is this important? Kids and adults live out caring for creation by sharing with others. Look for local opportunities that best meet the needs of your local community and congregation's ministry.

ReNew Tip: Check with a pastor or community leader for mission options in your area. For information about larger charities, use an online charity evaluation tool like charitynavigator.org. You can also visit the ReNew VBS website (wearesparkhouse.org/renew) to connect with other VBS Directors and share Mission Moment ideas.

Daily Ritual

What will kids do? Using their Planting Packs, kids plant seeds each day.

Why is this important? As kids explore Jesus' Parable of the Sower each day, they become sowers themselves. Planting seeds—literally and figuratively—grounds kids in the day's Bible story and helps them grow in faith.

Here's how the Daily Ritual works:

- **Gather:** Kids cut off part of their Parable of the Sower Bible Books and create a small seed pot. At the same time, they engage in discussion with their small group to prepare for the day.
- **Send:** Kids complete their Daily Ritual by spooning a few heaps of "good soil" into the seed pot and planting a seed or two for the day from their ReNew Planting Pack.
- **At Home:** Kids bring their seed pots home. By the end of the week, five seed pots promise seedlings that sprout and grow into a "pizza garden" with tomatoes, basil, onions, oregano, and peppers to top a yummy pizza!

ReNew Tip: The Daily Ritual seeds can grow in a variety of environments. If the seedlings can't be planted outdoors until the next spring because of your climate, encourage kids to nurture them on a windowsill or patio.

ReNew Tip: For suggestions on how to set up the Daily Ritual, see page 25.

ReNew It! Challenge

What will kids do? During the Send time, kids pick a challenge from their Bible Books—something they can do to carry the lesson beyond VBS and care for God's creation. The next day, the entire group shares what the kids have done and celebrates how the group is growing by posting ReNew It! Challenge Medallions in their church.

Why is this important? ReNew VBS is about caring for creation and putting faith into action. The ReNew It! Challenges get kids renewing at home and helps everyone see the change kids are making in the world.

ReNew Tip: Locate the pdf titled [Medallion Cutouts.pdf](#) or page A-8 in the Program Guide appendix. Make copies, cut out the ReNew It! Challenge Medallions, and have kids hang them at your church each time they complete a challenge for a great visual display of faith in action.