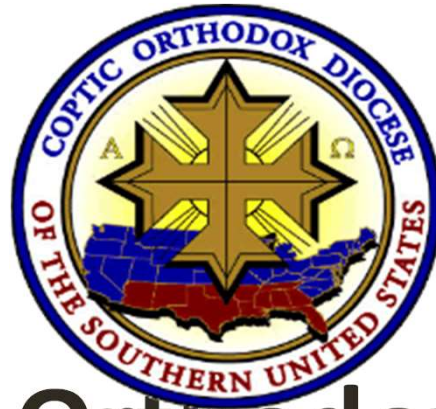


Sunday School Grade Pre-School A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

Preparation for The Birth of John the Baptist

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**
 - Zacharias and Elizabeth were very old.
 - They prayed to God to give them a baby.
 - God heard their prayers.
 - The angel Gabriel told Zachariah he will have a son.
 - The angel Gabriel said to name him John.
 - The boy Elizabeth had is John the Baptist.

Word Bank

- Zachariah and Elizabeth



- Pray



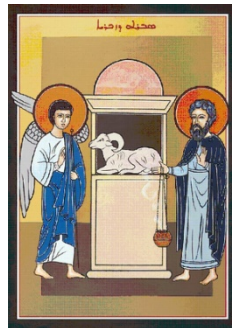
- Censer



- Angel Gabriel



- Altar



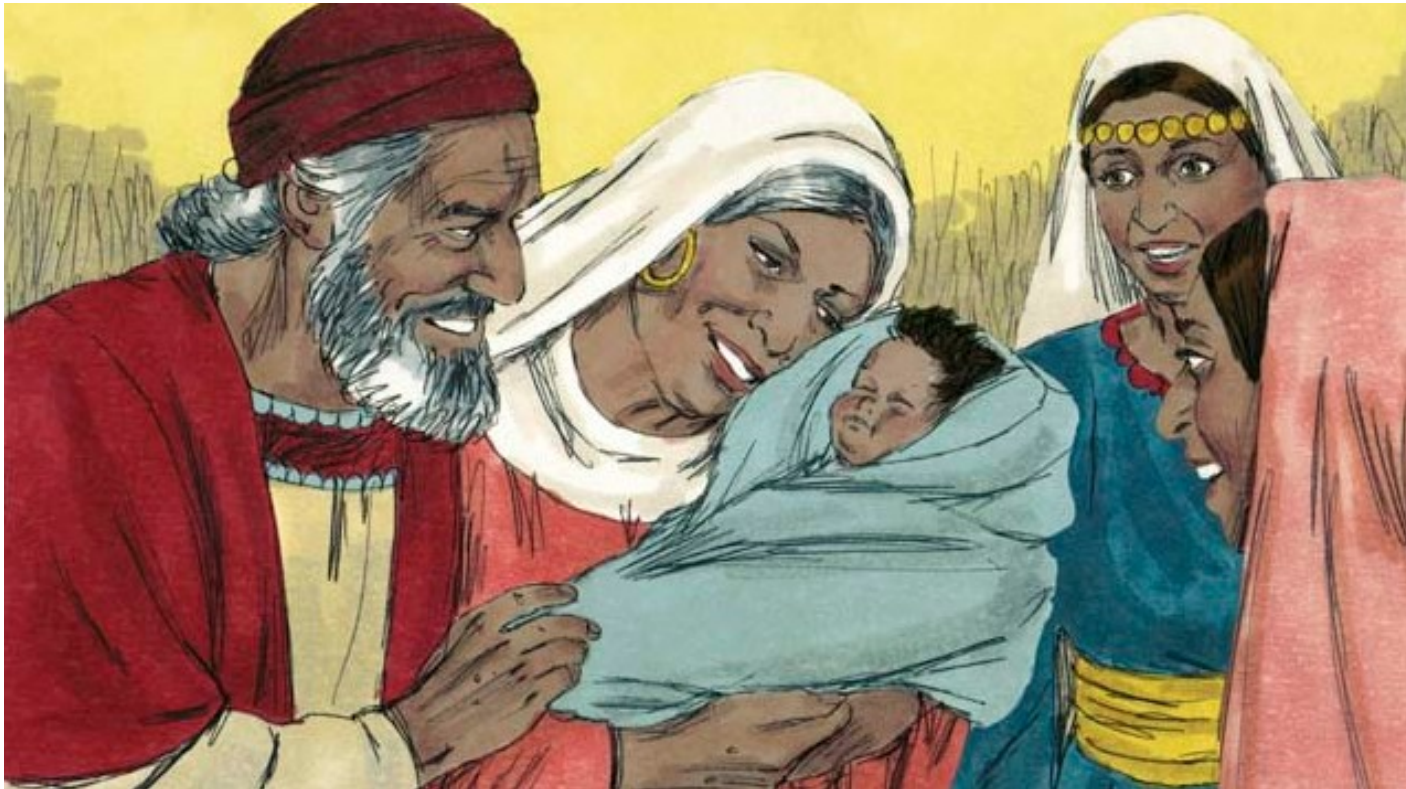
- John the Baptist



Objective: Learn that God answers our prayers at the right time.



Memory Verse: “...your prayer is heard...” Luke 1:13



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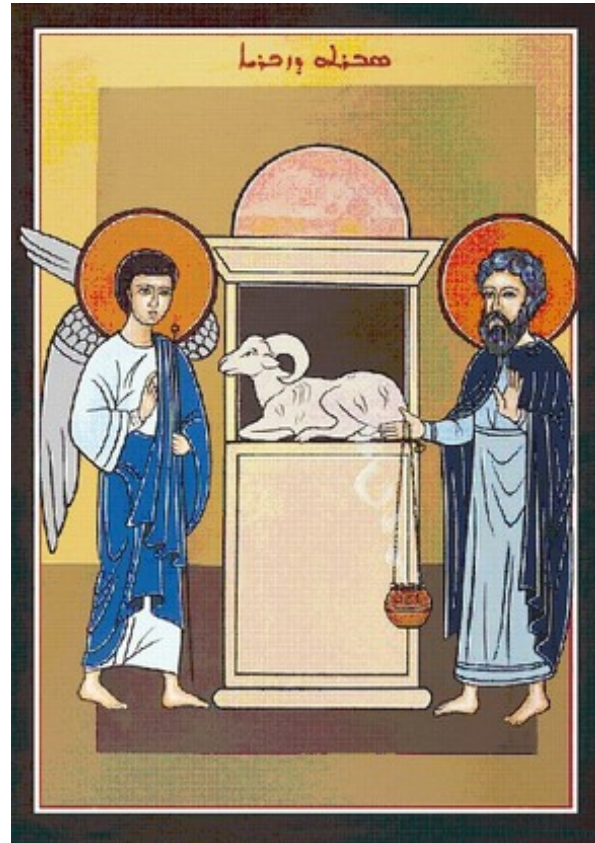
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The Birth of John the Baptist

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Conclusion**
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

Resources

- Application
 - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non-A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
 - Coloring/Painting
 - Cut and Paste
 - Music/Games
- References
 - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade-PreK.pdf>