

Sunday School Grade 10

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The AGAPE 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 St. Macarius the Great

Lessons for the Month of December

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- St. Macarius was born in the village of Shabsheer - Menuf around the year 300 AD.
- A Cherub appeared to him as a ball of light. He told him that he will dwell in the desert. The Cherub was his companion all his life.
- He grew in faith. Bishop of Ashmoun ordained him a priest. He wove baskets and mats from palm leaves. His servant sold them.
- A girl falsely accused him of her pregnancy. He humbled himself and worked hard to earn money to support her and the child.
- The girl's labor was exceedingly difficult. She continued to suffer for four days. She did not deliver until she confessed her false accusation.
- Some of his writings "In prayer you need not use many or lofty words. You can often repeat with a sincere heart, Lord show me mercy as You know best".

Word Bank

- St. Macarius



- Cherub



- Weaving



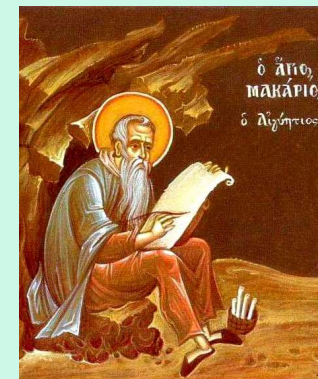
- Pregnant



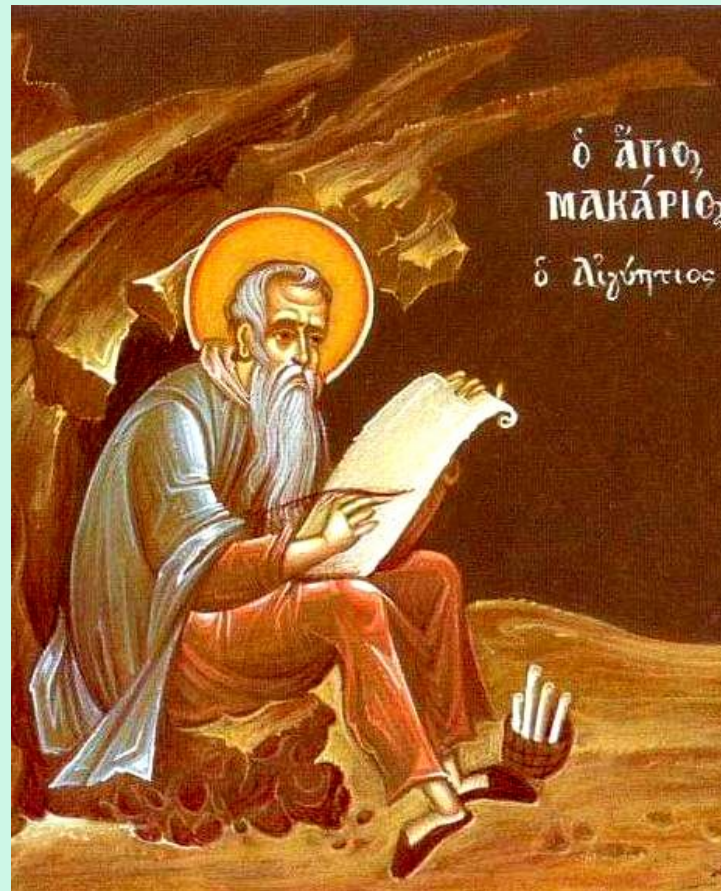
- Confess



- Writings



Objective: Do not judge others. Have the strength to withstand false accusations.



Memory Verse: “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble” (James 4:6)

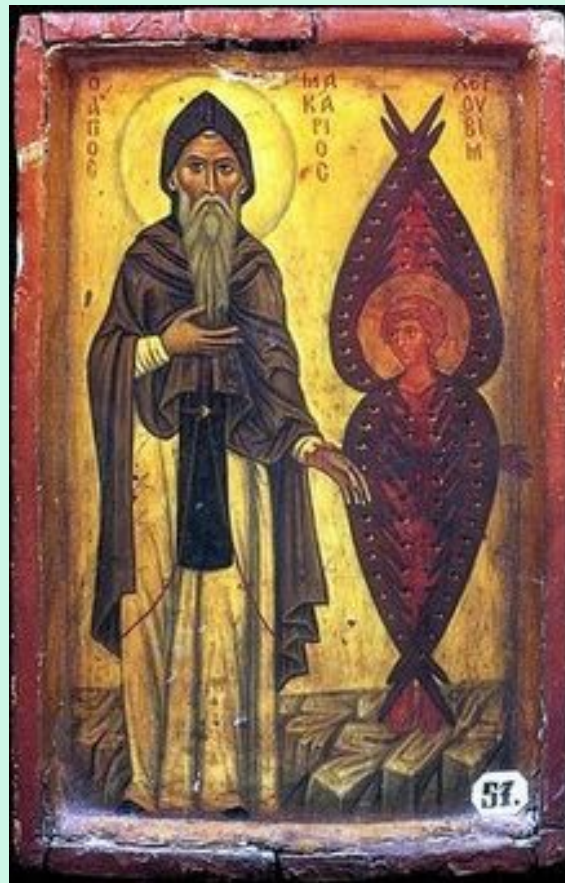


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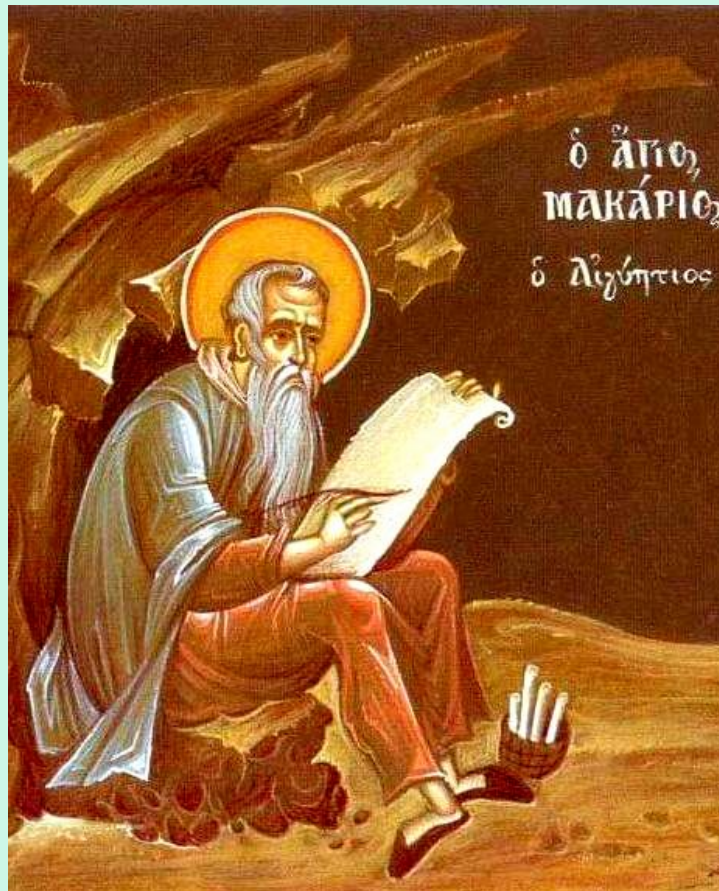
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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade10.pdf>