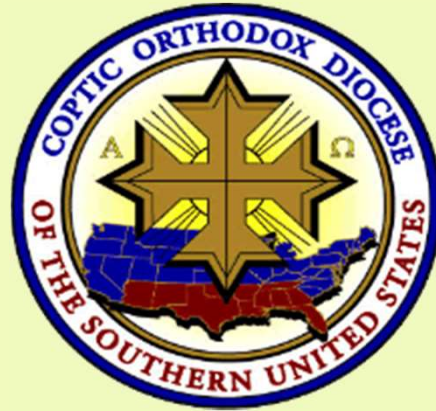


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## A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[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 How to Treat Others

## Lessons for the Month of October

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**
  - Our lives can't reflect God's love unless we learn to love others. Our walk with Christ doesn't set us apart if we don't have love.
  - Love is the bond of unity. Love brings joy to our lives. The world would certainly be a lonely place without God's love.
  - Hurt turns into bitterness and an unforgiving spirit when it isn't dealt with properly. Practice the skill of being a good listener. Try to imagine the perspective of the offender.
  - Accept every one in love, no matter how they treat you. Loving both the unlovely and the unloving is not easy.
  - Everyone needs encouragement. God's Word is filled with important principles that can be applied to building up others' hearts.
  - It's crucial to always speak graciously and politely, the way you want others to speak to you. The issue of communication is paramount in every arena of life.

# Word Bank

- Reflect



- Bond



- Listener



- Accept



- Encourage



- Communicate



**Objective: To grow closer to God through:  
Sensitivity to others' needs and feelings.  
Loving our neighbor. Learning how to love,  
forgive, accept, and encourage others.**



**Memory Verse: “Wherefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God” (Romans 15:7).**



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# How to Treat Others

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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/Grade12.pdf>