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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Vacation Bible School 2010. We want to partner with you in building Christ-like character in your children—and VBS is a great way to do this. Here's why:

- ❖ The intensity of VBS creates a sense of expectancy in your child. God honors those who seek Him in faith.
- ❖ Our wonderful VBS staff is concentrating their efforts and prayer on spiritual growth. Whether it's registration, the opening skit, the Bible teachers, the table helpers, or those who help with recreation and refreshments, we do it all for one reason—the spiritual growth of your child.
- ❖ Experiencing the fun and challenge of VBS with other kids their age builds the right kind of friendships—the kind built around learning truth together in a safe and loving atmosphere.
- ❖ The Bible stories this year focus on the ministry of Jesus to real people – people with needs just like us.
- ❖ Finally, we have lots of fun. Our theme this year is *SonQuest Rainforest* and our stage will come alive with skit characters that help our kids to learn to trust God in real-life situations and follow Him and His ways all through life.

Your child will receive the greatest benefit from VBS if they attend each of the five days. Please take some time to ask them what they learned and to go over the Scripture memory verse for that day. Among the attached materials you will find an overview sheet that lists the Bible stories for each day, the character focus, and the Scripture memory verse. One way to deepen the impact on your children is to read the Bible stories for yourself so that you can speak of them with your children as they learn day-by-day

By the way, we are happy for your children to invite their friends to come—all are welcome!

At the beginning of this letter, I said it was our intent to partner with you to develop Christ-like character in your children. As a father of four girls and a grandfather of five I know you have a mammoth task. This week, as intense as it is, is just one of 52 weeks. If you do not have a church home at this point, I hope you will accept my invitation to attend services with your child each Sunday. Our services are at 9:00 and 11:00, and we have a VBS-like program, called Promise Land, that I believe your child will truly enjoy.

So let's trust God together for a blessed week!

By God's grace,

Pastor Mike