



## CHILDREN BROCHURE

**MORAVIAN CHURCH – BARBADOS CONFERENCE**  
**Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.**

**S. – Seek & Submit**  
**H. – Hear & Heed**  
**I. – Imagine & Insight**  
**F. – Focus & Function**  
**T. – Totally Transformed**

**Age: 8 – 12 yrs.**

**S.H.I.F.T.**

**July 25**

**Scripture:**

**Luke 9:62 Jesus said to him, "Anyone who starts to plow and then keeps looking back is of no use for the Kingdom of God." (GNT)**

**Message:**

**It is important to be focused and remain focused. If you are looking forward, trying to move ahead especially in your spiritual life, there is nothing you need from the life you left behind. The old life was the sinful one where the evil one was in control. But now that you have left it behind you, leave it there and look toward the new life with Jesus Christ as your guide. You see it is very easy to be distracted especially by the material things, even some friends want you to continue in the old ways. But you have to be strong and resist these temptations because you cannot do the two things together.**

**You cannot look towards Jesus Christ for the new life and look back at the old sinful way of doing things at the same time. You have to leave the old life and focus on the new life with Jesus. If we continue to look back, we would not hear what He is saying to us, nor the answers to our prayers. Neither would we see where He wants us to go. So we have to pay attention, be sharp and stay focused. The things of the world are temporary and could fade away. Also, the wrong friends could lead us astray. But a life with Jesus is the sure path to a good life as well as everlasting life.**

## Activity:

Write YES or NO at the end of the following sentences:

- A. The old and sinful life is the better life. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. It is better to give my heart to the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. The new life with Jesus is the best life. \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Jesus has a greater plan for me than the old way of life. \_\_\_\_\_
- E. When I serve Jesus I must leave the old life behind. \_\_\_\_\_
- F. I will say NO to the old life and YES to the new life. \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Jesus has much in store for me. \_\_\_\_\_
- H. To focus on Jesus will make me lose out. \_\_\_\_\_
- I. I can look forward and backwards at the same time. \_\_\_\_\_
- J. It is better to look towards Jesus than to look back. \_\_\_\_\_

(Answers from last week)

- ✓ GOD IS GREAT
- ✓ GOD IS HOLY
- ✓ GOD IS GOOD
- ✓ GOD IS FAITHFUL
- ✓ GOD IS MERCIFUL
- ✓ With GOD there is PEACE
- ✓ With GOD there is HAPPINESS
- ✓ With GOD there is SAFETY
- ✓ With GOD there is LIGHT
- ✓ With GOD there is CONTENTMENT
- ✓ With GOD there is SECURITY
- ✓ With GOD there is FORGIVENESS
- ✓ With GOD there is LIFE