

We Believe Workshop objectives

Ruth
Ruth 1–4

The **Art Workshop** explores Ruth 1–4 through creative art experiences.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Make stick puppets of the people in Ruth’s extended family.
- Hear the story of Ruth and retell it using the puppets they made.
- Make a yarn rope that reminds them of kindnesses offered in Ruth’s story.

The **Audiovisual Workshop** explores Ruth 1–4 through audiovisual media that is heard, viewed or made.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Learn that the book of Ruth is found in the Old Testament.
- Watch part of The Animated Stories from the Bible: Ruth, a movie depiction of Ruth 1:1-18, hear the passage read from the Bible, and use a Venn diagram to compare the two versions.
- Name a time that they made and kept a promise to someone.
- Memorize the “Something to Remember” verse, Ruth 1:16b.

The **Computer Workshop** explores Ruth 1–4 using computers. Sometimes computers are used to tell the story and sometimes they are used to respond to it.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Use Cal & Marty’s Scripture Memory Game to memorize Ruth 1:16b.
- Hear the story of Ruth.
- Use Kid Pix Studio Deluxe 4.0 or Microsoft Paint to design a picture of the Ruth story.

The **Drama/Storytelling Workshop** explores Ruth 1–4 by retelling the story in ways that help children remember it.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Hear the story of Ruth, Naomi and Boaz from The Children’s Bible in 365 Stories by Mary Batchelor.
- Consider what it means to be a family, and how family members care for one another.
- Consider how it feels to be a stranger.
- Look for examples of how God calls us to care for one another.

The Games and Puzzles Workshop explores Ruth 1–4 by having children play biblically related games or puzzles.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Practice putting the events of Ruth’s life in the correct order.
- Play a game to help them consider how the safe places in Ruth’s life kept changing.
- Learn about a tradition of Ruth’s time regarding how property and widows and children were cared for after a man’s death.
- Consider how God has a plan even when they do not understand why their lives are changing.

The Music and Worship Workshop explores Ruth 1–4 through music and makes the connection to worship in PC(USA) congregations.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Hear the story of Ruth and Naomi read from *The Children's Bible in 365 Stories* by Mary Batchelor.
- Make bookmarks that will help them remember that, just like Ruth who stayed with Naomi, God stays with us no matter what.
- Learn the song “Where You Go, I Will Go.”
- Trace a portion of Ruth 1:16 written in the original Hebrew language on their bookmarks.
- Learn how to pronounce in Hebrew the phrase “Where you go, I will go.”
- Share with each other examples of God’s love and their experiences of how God walks beside them.
- Learn how they can share God’s love with their neighbor.

The Bonus: Cooking Workshop explores Ruth 1–4 with activities that help children learn the story through activities that involve food and cooking.

Objectives of the Workshop

The children will have the opportunity to:

- Make ribbons that have the “Something to Remember” Bible verse on them.
- Hear the beginning of the story of Ruth.
- Talk about the people who are in their families and extended families.
- Make a “Ruth’s Gleaned Potpie” to share with members of their church family.