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Time Saver Tip: Cokesbury provides a terrific tool for comparing VBS Programs. It has been updated for 2019: See the summary chart showing information for the VBS programs from major publishers. Compare themes, scripture focus/Bible stories, student, teacher, music, craft, and decorating materials and cost at: http://images.umph.org/cokesburyportals/VBSComparisonChart.pdf

Global Ministries Resources:

Kids-to-Kids VBS Curriculum
Learn More: https://www.globalministries.org/kids_to_kids_vbs_curriculum
Currently available: Journey to Colombia, Journey to Congo and Journey to India

Kids-to-Kids VBS materials are free downloads. All of them are directly related to Global Ministries of the United Church of Christ and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). All of the “Journey” VBS programs use a learning center model, are flexible, and relate to Kids to Kids because they are opportunities for children to learn about and contribute to global mission projects that serve children.

They also offer a program, God’s Love is Everywhere, which helps children visit a different mission site each day. The last day of VBS is a study of the local congregation and their mission and outreach projects. This will need to be personalized for your congregation and town.
Learn More: https://www.globalministries.org/gods_love_is_everywhere_vbs_resource

Other VBS Resources:

Cokesbury’s To Mars and Beyond
VBS 2019
Save 10% on the Starter Kit when you pre-order
Learn More: http://www.cokesbury.com/

Cokesbury’s To Mars and Beyond will help kids discover the wonders of God’s universe. They’ll become Voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God’s power can take them. Beginning in your Assembly area—an outpost on Mars—they’ll lift off to distant planets on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, they’ll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with them, too. Add to the adventure with out-of-this-world fun, learning, and
timeless Bible stories that inspire kids to give glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine!

**Water All Around the World (new in 2016)**  
Publisher: Living Waters for the World  
Learn More: [https://www.livingwatersfortheworld.org/pray](https://www.livingwatersfortheworld.org/pray)

This Vacation Bible School (VBS) Curriculum takes children on a journey to countries where clean water is not readily available and helps them learn about:

- the value of clean water
- how children in Haiti, Cuba, Honduras, Ghana, and Mexico struggle for clean water
- how VBS children can help

**Clean Water for All God’s Children**  
Publisher: Living Waters for the World  
Learn More: [https://www.livingwatersfortheworld.org/pray](https://www.livingwatersfortheworld.org/pray)

A VBS curriculum intended to serve congregations with an interest in fostering mission awareness among their children. It will help churches who want to educate their members about the world’s water crisis and what can be done. Children move among 5 stations: Bible Story, Mission, Crafts, Music, and Recreation learning what scripture teaches us about water and about our responsibility for the goodness of Creation and for the care of the physical health of others. Designed for children K-5, with special section for pre-school inclusion.

**Whoosh (2019)**  
Publisher: Abingdon Press  

**WHOOSH: Take Flight to Where God Leads You!** is the 2019 Abingdon Press VBS! Participants will be encouraged to allow God to lead them as they journey to places of freedom, fun, and opportunity, remembering God’s miracles as they go.

With WHOOSH participants will:

- Take flight with faith in Jesus Christ!
- Touch down in the Bible!
- Dream, praise, play, and learn!
- Experience God’s awesome presence and love!

“By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was going to receive as an inheritance. He went out without knowing where he was going.” —Hebrews 11:8, CEB

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Publisher: MennoMedia

Neighbors are more than the people who live next door. *Who Is My Neighbor*, the 2019 VBS from MennoMedia, leads children on a journey to discover more about God’s great love for all people. Children look deeply into Bible stories focused on God’s care and compassion for neighbors close at hand and around the world.

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