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And More!

5 ideas of things I should mention, while your dad is at the convention

As this is the *Pastor's* child magazine, most of us kids have dads who will be going away this weekend for the Southern Baptist Convention. In fact, by the time you're receiving this magazine, there's a good chance that your dad is already gone! Well, if that's the case, then you're obviously going to have a really long, boring weekend...

Or maybe not! Read on for some awesome ideas of things you can do... *without* your dad, and most likely without the help of any parent, as if your dad is gone, your mom is probably busy working to keep the family rolling along smoothly.

1. Draw

'This is totally not helpful' you might be thinking. 'I've already thought of this option, and I don't want to do it'. But how about some ideas for *what* to draw? If you are really into some sort of movie or movie/book character(s), maybe try drawing those. If you want, you could trace something and then color it in, or maybe follow a drawing tutorial. Or, draw a fantasy map of your imaginary world! The editor and co-editors love to do that.

2. Craft

Creating physical things is another form of imagination, just like drawing. Some ideas for things to craft on your own are your own game, little monsters to fight each other, or maybe even a pop-up book. Here's a quick pop-up book tutorial (made by me):



Fold a piece of paper in half and cut two 1-inch slits on the folded line.



Fold another piece of paper in half and tape it to the back of the first one, pushing out the piece that you cut with the slits.



Draw a figurine on a separate piece of paper and cut it out.



Decorate the inside piece of paper of the pop-up card and tape your figurine on.

3. Put toys where they normally aren't

First things first, I am not encouraging you to break rules. Dolls do not belong in pots of boiling water, even if you call it a spa. Toy soldiers do not belong in tonight's dinner, even if they insist on exploration. But, there are still some good ways to do this. For example, you could send out an expedition of Lego adventurers who explore your backyard. You could also take pictures of stuffed animals or other toys in iconic places like the Lincoln Memorial! Look at the image to the right for ideas.



4. Make food

This explains itself, really. Make food. But just like the drawing idea, what food should you make? Try making small snacks like smoothies, or special treats like chocolate chip cookies. As your mom is probably working hard, try to make something that's easy, and will most likely not need adult help. Good luck!

5. Write an article for this magazine

It is always awesome when someone emails us with a new article that they've written. It means less work for the editors and a longer, more interesting magazine! Some people have told us that they really want to write an article, but have no idea what to write about. One easy thing you could do would be to take something that you wrote in school and edit it a bit so that it would work as an article. If you don't have any pieces of writing from school that you think would work, maybe you could try writing an informational article about something you like. An example of that would be the Kids Section article in this issue by Tiago Oliveira. If you don't feel up to writing an informational article, you could create an imaginary world and write a story about it, or just write any type of narrative. You could also write a poem. I'm not going to list examples of articles here, because you can just look in this issue, and in previous issues that you might have kept.

That's it! If you would like to write an article, email it to thepastorschild@gmail.com. Also, if you have created anything else that you would like to share with other kids, you can email a picture of that, too! Hopefully you find a way to have fun, so that you can cheerfully help your dad go to the SBC without him worrying about you not having a good time.



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Axolotl Babies and Habitat

The Axolotl can start mating when it is only one and a half years old. The Axolotl will do a courtship dance, and then the female will lay individual fertilized eggs on plants. These eggs will stay on the plants for two weeks and then they will hatch. A female can lay between 100 to over 1000 eggs at one time. When the eggs hatch, the babies will start eating anything they can get in their mouths after just a few hours of being free from their eggs. Axolotl babies are called larvae, and when they hatch they are about half an inch long.

The Axolotl only lives in one place on earth, and that is in and around lake Xochimilco, in Mexico. This area of Mexico has temperatures that stay between 14 and 34 degrees Celsius, and has two seasons, wet and dry. The wet season is hot, humid and cloudy and the dry season is warm with clear skies. What used to be a bright green place is not anymore because of the growth of Mexico City, one of the biggest cities in the world.

Lake Xochimilco is not very healthy, because of a lot of pollution from Mexico City, and because there is a lot of boat traffic on the lake. Because of this, the Axolotl population has suffered and they are considered critically endangered. Lake Xochimilco used to be part of a group of lakes and rivers that were around Mexico City, but a lot of this water has been drained away and what little part of Lake Xochimilco is left is part of some parks in Mexico City. What parts of the lake that are left have a muddy bottom with lots of plants and animals.

By Bronwyn Plant, journalist for the Pastor's Child Magazine



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What's up? News for kids

Southern Baptist Convention:

As you probably know, most readers' dads are going to be away this Sunday for a convention called the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC), where they will meet with other pastors.

Dad Jokes

Father's Day is coming up in a week, so you'd better get armed with some of your own.

1. I only know 25 letters of the alphabet. I don't know Y
2. Kid: I'll call you later. Dad: Don't call me later, call me Dad
3. What do a tick and the Eiffel Tower have in common? They're both Paris sites
4. Why was the Easter Bunny sad? It was having a bad hare day
5. How do you make 7 even? Take away the S
6. What's brown and sticky? A stick
7. If you see a crime at an Apple store, does that make you an iWitness?
8. What happens when a strawberry gets run over crossing the street? A traffic jam
9. Why don't eggs tell jokes? They crack each other up
10. Why can't a nose be 12 inches long? Because then it would be a foot

Exclusive interview with Avett Adams

And now... our youngest ever interviewee, Avett Adams! Like normal, we have three questions for Avett (and some sub-questions). Let's see what Avett has to say!

Reporter: Hi Avett, and thanks for letting us interview you.

So, we have three questions for you today, like most people who are interviewed. Our first question is:

Is it fun living right by the church playground?

Avett: Yes.

Reporter: What's fun about it?

Avett: I don't know.

Reporter: Is it fun to have a lot of other kids there?

Avett *nods*

Reporter: But do you think it's scary sometimes with older kids playing really rough?

Avett *nods*

Reporter: Do you feel like you sometimes want to play rough or do you want to play quiet.

Avett: Play really quiet.

Reporter: Our second question is:

What is it like not being in school? Do you get to do fun crafts or activities because of that?

Avett: Yeah.

Reporter: What sorts of crafts do you do?

Avett: I don't know.

Reporter: Do you go on outings?

Avett: Yeah.

Reporter: Do you go to parks on your outings?

Avett: Yeah.

Reporter: What places do you like to go?

Avett: I don't know.

Avett's mom: Where did you go last week?

Avett *shrugs shoulders*

Avett's mom: Where'd we go after the doctor?

Avett: I don't know.

Avett's mom: You remain silent. That's ok.

Reporter: Our last question is:
If you were able to, would you learn another language?

Avett: Yeah.

Reporter: Which one would it be?

Avett: I don't know.

Reporter: Would it be Chinese, or Spanish -

Avett: Chinese.

Reporter: I think Chinese is pretty cool, but it's pretty hard to learn.

Avett: Yeah.

Avett's mom: You really gave a lot for this interview, girl. Good job.

Reporter: That was it. Thanks for being interviewed, Avett!

Avett: *walks away*

If you would like to see the real, actual interview, go to <https://photos.app.goo.gl/UL7jY57dD96fGQVEA>. The sound is pretty quiet, so I would recommend reading the script we wrote down while you watch.

Reporter: CJ Dunlop, Editor of the Pastor's Child Magazine

Camerawoman: Avett's mom



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Verse of the Day: Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Issue 14 Winners

None:

Despite there being no competitions in the last issue, there's still a competition in this one! Submit a joke to us at thepastorschild@gmail.com for a chance to be interviewed for issue 16! If you submit a joke, you will most likely end up getting interviewed.

Advice Column

| # | Question | Answer |
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| 1: | What do you do when you want to ask your Dad something but he's on a phone call? - Definitely not a Dunlop kid | Don't pester and keep on pestering him while he's on his phone call Don't do something that you aren't allowed to do because your dad is on the phone and you think that he isn't watching you Do wait until he's off the phone and do something else that you are allowed to do while you wait Do ask your Mom (if she isn't doing something, too) |

Any questions you need advice on? Email them to us at thepastorschild@gmail.com.

Book Recommendations

Need new books to read? Well, maybe check out these:

1. Calvin and Hobbes by Bill Waterson
2. James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl
3. Asterix the Gaul by René Goscinny and Albert Uderzo
4. Strega Nona by Tomie dePaola

Any other recommendations? Email them to thepastorschild@gmail.com.

Short Story: the Cicada Series. Fight and Flight.

See <https://www.pbs.org/video/wfyi-local-productions-return-cicadas/> for more information about cicadas

It wasn't long before Peter realized that he and his squadron were being closely tailed by a group of enemy cicadas. A sharpened twig flew by his head, dangerously close. Christopher turned around and fired a few shots of twig arrows over his head, taking out a few of the enemy cicadas. In response, Peter heard a volley of arrows whoosh by him as he deflected a few with his spear. The enemy cicadas must have been terrible shots, though, because no cicadas in the squadron were hurt.

"Give me that!" Peter heard a voice behind him yell. It sounded gruff and commanding. An arrow flew through the air and hit Greg, the cicada flying behind Peter. Greg went down fast. In terror, knowing that he might be next, Peter pushed himself harder and flew up closer to Christopher.

"Don't look back! To the tree!" Joshua yelled at him. Peter obeyed and stayed by Christopher, even as more arrows whooshed in behind him. One cicada went down. Then another. Arrows flew by Peter as he spiraled around, skillfully dodging the arrows aimed at him. It looked like they couldn't shake this bunch of enemies.

"To the tree! Up!" Joshua yelled at the squadron.

The squadron banked up sharply, but due to their inexperience, Jackson, one of Peter's many siblings, didn't turn up fast enough, and tumbled into the bark of the tree, sliding down.

"No!" Peter yelled. But there was nothing

he could do about it. Either he went back or he continued on and survived. Joshua encouraged this attitude.

"Peter, no! We'll get them when we're in a safer position."

The flying was getting tougher now. Peter flew in behind Joshua in single file, weaving through leaves and branches. The entrance was approaching. It was so small. As Peter neared the gap, he flew straight forward and closed his eyes.

Familiar darkness flooded over him and his companions. Peter heard a few dull thuds as two or three enemy cicadas crashed against the bark of the tree. They had missed the entrance. But there were still more enemies.

The leader of the enemy cicadas was getting so close to Peter now that he could hear his ragged breath. Peter wasn't fast enough. The chasing cicadas would catch up with him anytime. What could he do? An arrow flew from a nook in the ceiling above him, and a yell was heard as an enemy cicada was hit, spiralling out of control. More arrows flew at the enemy cicadas behind Peter. Then the familiar arm of a cicada reached out from above. "Gotcha! Bank up!"

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Fun Activities

Beach!

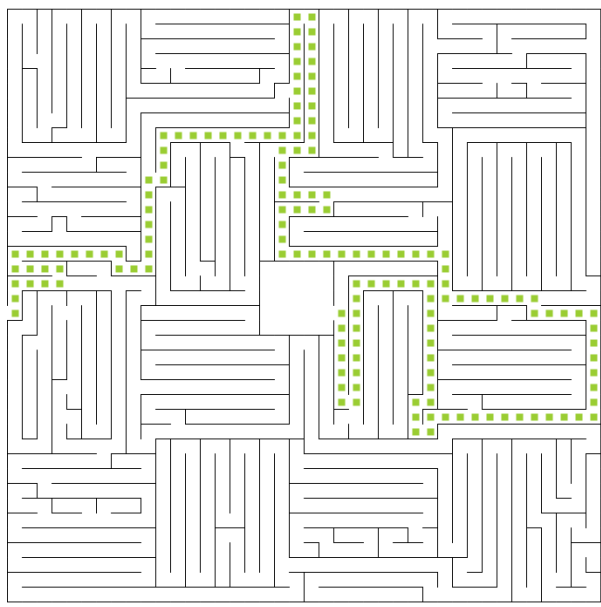
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Word Bank:

Sand Shark Ocean Water Beach Tide
Volleyball Shovel Chair Umbrella Sandcastles Swimming
Hot Sunscreen Summer Play Swimsuit Beachball

FUN ACTIVITIES ISSUE 14 ANSWER KEY:

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Word Scramble:

Answers from Issue 14:

OG SIFH: GO FISH

LTEI: TILE

EAGM: GAME

RYROS: SORRY

TMPECIOINT: COMPETITION

TACAN: CATAN

OUN: UNO

OKREP: POKER

YPAL: PLAY

ECEPI: PIECE

LPONMOYO: MONOPOLY

AMEOEDIGV: VIDEOGAME

(These are not all of the answers due to a shortage in space)

This week's word scramble:

LALAEHBHC: _____

OHT: _____

DEIT: _____

RKHAS: _____

NDSA: _____

ECRENSNSU: _____

UIMSIWTS: _____

AEHCB: _____

UMSMRE: _____

TERAW: _____

LPAY: _____

COENA: _____

Who was Charles Spurgeon?

Important people in the history of Christianity.



Born in 1834 in Kelvedon, Essex, Charles Spurgeon came from a family of pastors. His father and grandfather were ministers, and later, Spurgeon himself became one too.

Spurgeon's formal education was limited, even by 19th century standards (our education standards today are much higher). He attended local schools for a few years, but never earned a degree at a university.

At age 15, Spurgeon broke his family tradition by becoming a Baptist. He contributed this conversion to a sermon that he heard when blown by a

snowstorm into a church. This experience caused Spurgeon to rethink infant baptism, and within four months he was baptised and joined a Baptist congregation.

When he was still a teen, Spurgeon began preaching in rural Cambridgeshire. He was a good preacher and quickly filled the pews in the village of Waterbeach where he worked. Spurgeon's energy, speaking skills, and harmonious voice earned him a reputation, and in a year and a half, he was invited to preach in London at New Park Street Chapel. The congregation there voted for him to preach another six months. He moved to the city and never left.

Spurgeon did not go unnoticed in the press, and was criticized for his dramatic flair during his sermons. In response to this, Spurgeon wrote: "I am perhaps vulgar, but it is not intentional, save that I must and will make people listen. My firm conviction is that we have had enough polite preachers."

Spurgeon was involved in many controversies during his time, including the "Down-Grade" controversy. Spurgeon felt like other Baptist ministers were down-grading the faith, by re-evaluating it based on Darwinism and other things going on during that time. He wrote in his monthly *The Sword and the Trowel*, "Our warfare is with men who are giving up the

atonement sacrifice, denying the inspiration of Holy Scripture, and casting slurs upon justification by faith."

The controversy took its toll upon Spurgeon, whose already-delicate health got worse during the year-long affair. Some of the things that he suffered from were depression and gout.

Spurgeon preached his last sermon in June 1891 and died 6 months later in 1892.

Throughout his life, Spurgeon preached many sermons, established alms houses and an orphanage, and opened his own Pastor's College, which still exists today. A lot of Spurgeon's sermons were written down, and your parents have probably read some of them. Overall, we should remember Spurgeon for his work to continue sharing the gospel from the pulpit and outside of the pulpit, and his work to make sure that what we believe stays the same even when our society changes.

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Thanks to Christianity Today for information and a picture on this topic



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Conference:

The time has not been decided yet, but once most people are out of school, there will be a conference for all journalists and other writers to discuss what this magazine will be like during the summer, and once the summer finishes, when a lot of people (including the Editor and Co-Editors) will be at in-person school. If you have written an article or submitted something to this magazine to be published, we will send you more information. Thanks to everyone who came to our last conference.

- Editor CJ Dunlop

KIDS Section:

For KIDS 6 or younger



Hi all kids out there! I'm Tiago and today we're going to learn about lions.

Lions are felines and felines are animals. Felines sometimes are called the cat family. All Felines look somewhat the same, but lions are the most different.

Male lions have manes. What is a mane? Well, a mane is a large batch of fur on the lion's neck. Female lions do not have manes.

Lions are Big Cats. And, like most Big Cats, male lions roar. Females cannot roar, but they can hunt. Usually the females hunt while the males stay with the rest of the pride.

A Lion pride usually has 1 male lion, a few females, and kittens. Sometimes there is more than 1 male lion.



Meaning of words

1. Male lion - Boy lion
2. Female lion - Girl lion
3. Pride - A group of lions sometimes called a "pack"
4. Kitten - Baby lion also known as "lion cub"

Unscramble these words:

amel _____ amelef _____ iolns _____ elifesn _____ ucb _____



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The Pastor's Child Issue 15. Issue 16 coming out next Sunday.

Remember: Church at 10:30 AM in the church building (525 A St NE).
Prayer Service on Zoom or at church at 5:00 pm.

P.S., submit all submissions by Thursday, June 17, for them to qualify.

Thanks for reading!

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