



THE CHURCH

Pathfinder Level

Purpose

To help you to understand the nature and function of the Church.

Exploring

1. The church is more than just a building. It is **People – God’s People**. Write down the following questions and answers:

a. How does God describe His people in the Old Testament?

Deut. 14:2

b. How does God describe His people in the New Testament?

1 Peter 2: 9-10

c. God’s people are often called **The Family of God**. Look up the verses below and write down what they say about this family:

1 John 3: 1 says we are:

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In 11 Cor. 6: 18 God says:

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Romans 8: 17 says we shall become:

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d. God’s people join together in one body **Christ’s Body**. Look up the verses below and write down what they say about this body:

Romans 12: 3-8 (especially v. 5)

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1 Cor. 12: 20-27. What does this say about **you**?

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2. Now let’s discover what the church **does**.

a. Read Acts 2: 37-47. Verse 42 gives a good description of what the church does. List the 4 things mentioned and write down what they mean to you.

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b. Look up 1 Peter 2: 9. What does this say that the church should also do?

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c. Look up Isaiah 1: 17. The church also has a responsibility to the community. List the five things that this passage says that responsibility includes.

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Doing

Your Cadet club is part of the church. As a Cadet you will be involved in the church services from time to time. e.g. Cadet Sunday, Youth Services etc. We will now learn about the working structure of your particular church.

1. In your church you have **Office Bearers**. These people work within the structure of your church. List what positions these office bearers have and explain their particular functions.

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2. In your church people are also involved in committees and groups. List the committees and groups in your church and include a description of their function (to help you with this it would be a good idea to contact a member of each committee or group, e.g. the president or secretary, to explain their particular committee or group to you).

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3. Your church, like any other organization, cannot survive without money. Contact your church treasurer and ask him how the finances of the church are obtained and how they are distributed.

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Ask your Counsellor to sign below and arrange for the presentation of your badge.

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