

OVBS 2011 Arts & Crafts

Arts and Craft Supply list:

Two paper plates

Stapler

Hole punch

7 inch lengths of yarn

Small pieces of colored paper or
index cards(6 or 7/person)

Crayons

Activity 1

Prayer Reminder Pockets



Cut one of the paper plates in half and staple it to the whole paper plate. Write on the bottom of each half, "I will pray". Give each child 6 or 7 small pieces of colored paper or index cards. Help the child to print on each card the name of someone they can pray for. Decorate the prayer reminder pocket and place the cards in the pocket. Punch a hole in the top of each pocket and thread a length of yarn through the hole. Find somewhere to hang the prayer reminder pocket. Let them take these pockets home and encourage them to add more names to the collection and pray for those who are in need of prayer.

<http://www.create-kids-crafts.com/christian-crafts.html>

Activity 2

CREATE A POSTER - THE STRUGGLE TO OBEY

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." – Ephesians 6:1

As the theme of the OVBS is obedience, do this activity to help the students think about the things they find it difficult to obey. Make a poster of the word OBEDIENCE in bubble letters and write in each bubble some things they struggle to obey. Color and decorate with O's. Make one poster for each class. You may divide into groups if there are a lot of students.

Activity 3

A craft that connects to the idea of "to pay attention to, to give ear":

Give them a piece of paper and ask them to fold it into the shape of a heart. Do not give any guidance or instructions. Ask them to just do the best they can. After about 5 minutes or so ask them to stop and discuss how they are doing by using the following questions: Was it easy or hard? Would some directions help? We want this heart to be like an envelope that they can put things into. Will their "heart" be able to function that way?

The Church and our parents act as our guides and instruction manual. Without them life can often not work in the best way.

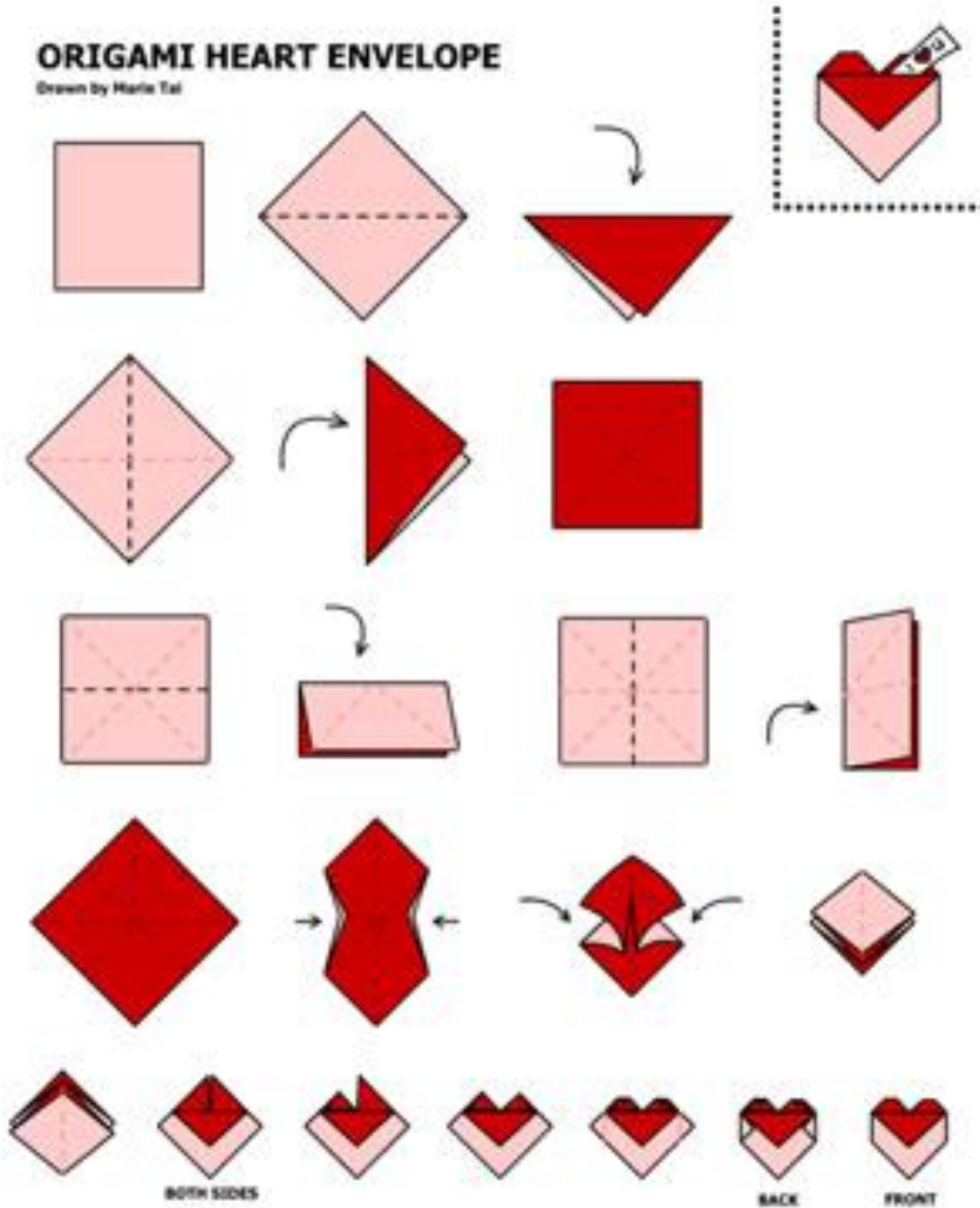
Now demonstrate how to make the heart pocket and use the large squares of paper that can be purchased at the craft store. These will be in the scrapbooking section and have a variety of colors and patterns that will appeal to the children.

They can use these hearts to store the memory verse slips of paper and any other quotes or connections they find or make throughout the lessons. If we hide God's words in our hearts, they will come back to us when we need them most. Encourage them to write down memory verses and lessons they learned during the OVBS and store them in the heart pocket to take home.

"I hid your teachings in my heart so as not to sin against You." - Psalm 118:11

ORIGAMI HEART ENVELOPE

Drawn by Maria Tal



Activity 4

MEMORY VERSE in 'heart'

Print the image given below on color paper and give one to each student. Cut out the heart pattern. Ask the students to write down one of these two bible verses inside the heart. Let them decorate it and take them home to put in their rooms so that they can memorize it. Give them more 'hearts' if they wish to write down more Bible verses.

"Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them." - Deuteronomy 4:9

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