

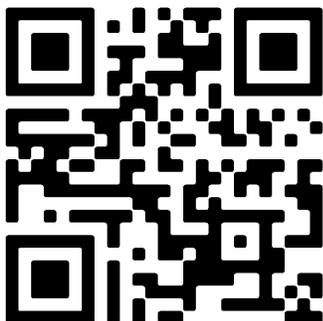


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"... Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Hebrews 12:1 NIV).

To encourage your congregation in Running Together in Hope . . . Find the "Run the Race" sermon located here:
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Running the race that has been set before us will be challenging, but we can count on our good God to bring about good things! Here are a few points to remember as you minister to your congregation and encourage their **RELATIONAL HEALTH**.

- Running our hope-filled race together will transform how we see God.

"No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and His love has been brought to full expression through us" (1 John 4:12 NLT).

- Sharing our hope transforms how we see ourselves . . . as His beloved.

"And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way" (Ephesians 1:22–23).

- Sharing our hope conforms us into Christlikeness.

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

How do we run together in hope when we are not physically together as a congregation? Here is a practical idea for connecting relationships for families with kids.



“LifeWay Kids at Home” is offered to all churches impacted by COVID-19.

LifeWay Christian Resources is offering “LifeWay Kids at Home,” a free digital resource to supplement Sunday School from home.

Chuck Peters, the Director of Operations for LifeWay Kids, says they decided to respond to church leaders who were asking how other churches are keeping families engaged in discipleship in the event of church gathering cancellations.

“This is a chance for LifeWay Kids to pour into the global kingdom. We’re making this curriculum free to anyone who wants to use it. We see this as an opportunity to serve the Church with no strings attached.”

Users can access the experience through LifeWay’s Digital Pass platform following these steps:

- Step 1: Go to my.lifeway.com/redeem.
- Step 2: Register if you are a new user or log in if you already have an account.
- Step 3: Enter this redemption code: VZMD4SSQ38 (which churches are free to distribute).
- Step 4: Click “Access” (if prompted to sign in again, sign in) and then click “My Dashboard,” and go to “LifeWay Kids at Home.”
- Step 5: Download the activity page and one conversation sheet to use while watching the video session.

Users will have access to video content from “Bible Studies for Life for Kids” worship hour, Bible story teachings, life application, and kids talking about the week’s topic. To accommodate families that have children of different ages, the “LifeWay Kids at Home” content is not graded and is geared toward first through sixth graders.

“This is our heartbeat—to serve the church and equip parents to minister to their kids,” said Peters.

“The coronavirus presents many challenges, but every obstacle is an opportunity. We have the privilege of aiding parents and caregivers—people who may have never done so—to conduct a Bible study in their home. We get to help facilitate that at no cost, no obligation, and no strings attached for these churches and families. It’s why we’re here: We’re a ministry first.”

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