

Sunbeams – Salvation Army Badge

Welcome and Settling Down (2 minutes)

Activity 1 (2 minutes)

When, where, and by whom was The Salvation Army started?

Correct Answers: When -1865, where – London, England, By whom – William and Catherine Booth

Activity 2 (5 minutes)

How did The Salvation Army begin in the USA? Fill in the blanks. (correct answers underlined)

The Salvation Army began in the United States in the year 1879. It was started by the Shirley family in the city of Philadelphia. George Scott Railton began the work of The Salvation Army in the state of New York in the year 1880. He landed here with the help of the seven Hallelujah Lassies.

(Make sure to point out that Eliza Shirley was just a young girl, and the lassies were girls who made a difference. Your Sunbeams can make a difference too!)

Activity 3 (5 minutes)

What is the name of the Army mother? (Answer: Catherine Booth)

Distribute the “Army Mother Fact Sheet” (Separate PDF) and ask students to volunteer to read each fact aloud. Then have them complete activity 3 by writing three things they learned about Catherine Booth

Activity 4 (5 minutes)

Which are youth programs?

Correct Answers: Youth Band, Sunbeams, Girl Guards, Adventure Corps, Junior Soldiers, Corps Cadets, Youth Singing Company (Explain what each program is and what it does)

Incorrect Answers: Boy Scouts (although this may be held at some point during the week in the building), Home League (for women aged 16 and up), Men’s Fellowship (for men aged 16 and up), Senior Soldiers (for ages 15 and up), Songsters (for adults)

Activity 5 (10 minutes)

Have them find the youth programs from Activity 4 in the word search for Activity 5. (this is found in the Sunbeam material)

Activity 6 (5 minutes)

How many children did the Founder, William Booth, have?

Correct Answer: 8 (Bramwell, Evangeline, Ballington, Herbert, Lucy, Emma, Kate, and Marie)

Which two became Generals of The Salvation Army? (Explain that the General is the person in charge of The Salvation Army internationally and that they are in London, England. Let Sunbeams know that they travel all around meeting people and checking on them to make sure everything is going well.)

Correct Answer: Bramwell Booth & Evangeline Cory Booth

Activity 7 (5 minutes)

Who is the current General of The Salvation Army?

Correct Answer: General Andre Cox

Where is the General's office located?

Correct Answer: At International Headquarters (IHQ) in London, England
General Cox is the 20th General of The Salvation Army since it started. He was just elected to office this summer.

Out of these 20 Generals, 3 were women!

Activity 8 (5 minutes)

Color The Salvation Army flag. Explain the significance of each color.

Red – the blood of Jesus

Yellow – fire of the Holy Spirit

Blue – purity of the Father

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

Print out of The Salvation Army Badge Work (pages 217-221) for each student

Copy of "The Army Mother" Handout (separate PDF) for each student

Markers/Crayons/ or colored pencils to write with