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## Junior Department romotional Sunday

The Sunday School Junior Department is for children in Primary 3 to Primary 6. This is the age where children are starting to make sense of their faith and are starting to understand why and how to be a good testimony, especially in school.

"Ye are the light of the world." Matthew 5:14a This morning the children will be presenting two songs, Never Fear! He is Near! and Brighten the Corner Where You Are. These songs encapsulate the focus for the department in 2016. The first song, we hope, will be a reminder to them in times of trial and testing. School life is fraught with the treacherous rocks of exams and peer pressure, but they need to remember to rely on Christ when the going gets tough.

"Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house." Matthew 5:15

The second song was written by Ira D. Ogdon to remind Christians that the pulpit and the mission field were not the only places one might make a difference for the Kingdom of God. Likewise, even as the children struggle with making their faith real in their lives and being the light for Christ in school, they need to remember that however young they are, they can make a difference.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:16

We hope that Sunday School will be a meaningful and fruitful time of fellowship and learning for the children, a respite from the storms of the week. Having that dedicated time once a week to learn more about God and the Bible with friends their age encourages them to have purposeful conversations about the Word and to make it more applicable in their lives.

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## **Never Fear! He is Near!**

Never fear! He is near! Look to no man, care not the world may plan. Only trust in the Lord, all the way to Beulah Land.

## **Brighten the Corner Where You**

Do not wait until some deed of greatness you may do,

Do not wait to shed your light afar; To the many duties ever near you, now be true,

Brighten the corner where you are.

Chorus:

Brighten the corner where you are!

Brighten the corner where you are!
Someone far from harbour you may guide across the bar;
Brighten the corner where you are!

Just above are clouded skies that you may help to clear,
Let not narrow self your way debar;
Though into one heart alone may fall your song of cheer,
Brighten the corner where you are.

Here for all your talent you may surely find a need,
Here reflect the bright and Morning Star;
Even from your humble hand the Bread of Life may feed,
Brighten the corner where you are.

