



October

NATIONAL APPLE  
MONTH

# Sunday School Ideas!

## 2007



Who is the apple of my eye? Sunday school teachers!

Sweet, but firm, nutritious and colorful, Sunday school teachers are definitely some of my favorites. And we're portable, too! We travel to all kinds of places in all kinds of ways, providing something good that perks everyone up when we get there.

Keep on toting that gospel! Send us some jpeg pictures of you and your class!

Happy teaching,

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**Tissue Paper Apples:** For this project, each child will need an apple frame stuck onto a piece of clear Con-Tact paper. The students stick small tissue paper squares to the Con-Tact paper.

Pre-print (on computer printer) this Scripture for every student on green or white paper. For younger children, cut a leaf shape around the Scripture (older classes can do that themselves) and attach to the top of the apple.

*"Keep me as the APPLE of the eye,  
hide me under the shadow of thy wings" (Psalm 17:8).*

When the apples are hung in the window they are beautiful! This project can also be done by gluing tissue paper between wax paper and ironing when finished.



**Treat Time Apple Song**  
(tune: "Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?")

Have you ever seen an apple,  
an apple, an apple?  
Have you ever seen an apple that grows on a tree?  
A red one, a yellow one,  
A green one, a pink one.  
Have you ever seen an apple?  
God made them for me!



## If You're Happy and You Know It

### Apple Smile Treats

This is an apple recipe your kids are sure to love. Cut a red apple into slices—these are the lips. Let children spread peanut butter or cream cheese on apple slices. Place mini marshmallows (these are the teeth) on top of peanut butter and top with another apple slice.

**Apples and Yogurt Dip:** Serve children different types of apples with a dip. You can make an easy and tasty dip by stirring some brown sugar and/or cinnamon into plain or vanilla yogurt.

**Prayer Request Applesauce:** Using a crock pot is the easiest way to make applesauce that I've found. We start it at 6:00 o'clock in the morning on high and it's ready by Sunday school. Combine all of the ingredients together and place into a crock pot. When the apples are soft, let students use a potato masher to blend the apples into sauce. You need the following ingredients:

- 8 apples (cored, peeled, and sliced)
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup brown sugar or white sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

How does heat soften up the apples? How does prayer soften up our hearts? Let this treat lead into prayer request time.

### Here are some Scriptures about apples.

- “He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the **APPLE** of his eye” (Deuteronomy 32:10).
- “Keep me as the **APPLE** of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings” (Psalm 17:8).
- “Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the **APPLE** of thine eye” (Proverbs 7:2).
- “For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the **APPLE** of his eye” (Zechariah 2:8).

Teach your class to think outside of the apple crate with this  
**Home Missions Big Apple Thought of the Month**



Is New York this?

or this?



New York is the second largest apple producing state in the United States with an average of 25 million bushels of production annually. Apples are grown on over 52,000 bearing acres in six major production districts throughout the entire state.

The New York apple industry provides employment for thousands of New Yorkers.

- 694 family farms
- 10,000 direct agricultural jobs
- 7,500 indirect jobs involved with handling, distribution, marketing, and shipping of apple exports
- Thousands of other indirect jobs including agricultural supplies (equipment, chemicals, and services), financial services, and apple processing

Pray for a home missionary family in New York today.

They are the **apple** of God's eye.

# Focus on Foreign Missions

If you are looking for an alternative to the traditional dress up party this month, have a UPCI Foreign Missionary Parade! It's easy to pull up missionary profiles from the UPCI Web site. <http://www.UPCI.org>



Here is one excellent costume idea I found.

You will need:

2 pieces of bubble wrap, rolled and fastened with Scotch tape,

1 pair of women's black opaque tights

safety pins

silk flowers

chopsticks

black tape

white shirt and tights

sandals

silky bathrobe

silk or satin scarf

1. To make the wig, roll each piece of bubble wrap into a narrow tube and Scotch-tape it closed. Stuff one tube into each leg of the black tights. Pull the waist of the tights onto your child's head. Wrap one leg around her head and safety pin it in place. Tie the second leg into a knot and pin it in place at the center of the wig. Decorate the wig with silk flowers and chopsticks, using black tape to secure them.
2. The child puts on the white shirt and tights, the sandals, and the bathrobe. Tie and pin the scarf in place just above her waistline.

## Foreign Missions Idea for Older Kids

Johnny Appleseed spread a lot of apple seeds.

Massachusetts	Pennsylvania	Ohio	Indiana
born in 1774 mom died lived with his large family (10 brothers and sisters) picked apples loved nature	lived like the Indians planted trees	planted apple orchards helped the settlers shared stories with children	planted trees became ill and died 1845

Ask kids who enjoy reading to read a UPCI missionary's biography and make a chart like this one to present to the class this month, showing where our missionaries spread a lot of God's Word, the best seed of all.

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