



Vacation Bible Adventures

(we call it Vacation Bible Adventures instead of Vacation Bible School, because it is an Adventure in Learning)



Galilee By-the-Sea!

For Kids 4 yrs. thru 5th Grade

July 8-12

6-7:30 p.m. Sunday July, 8

9:30-11:50 Monday thru Thursday, July 9-12

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Imagine what it was like to live and work in a seaside town along the Sea of Galilee. You would hear the buzz about the teacher Jesus, who was causing quite a stir around town. You might work with people who were unsure if Jesus was *really* performing miracles. Perhaps you'd even bump into a fisherman who had been called to follow Jesus.

Galilee-By-the-Sea immerses VBA'ers of all ages in Bible-times culture, helping kids and adults explore what it might have been like to live when Jesus did. You will experience new traditions, taste new foods, try new arts and crafts projects, as we learn more about Jesus, the one God sent to save us from sin.

At Galilee By-the-Sea, we gather for a brief time of worship at the Gathering before joining our Tribes (names after the tribes of Israel) for small group interaction. During Tribe Time, tribal families will explore Jewish customs—smelling sweet spices, enjoying the light of an oil lamp, or saying an important Scripture. Then Tribes are off to the Synagogue or perhaps to discover what Bible-times kids did for fun at the Seaside Playground. And every Tribe will have plenty of time to explore the Marketplace, where they might become apprentices in making toys or rope, or sample healthy treats at the Farmer's Market, or bake bread.

You might even encounter a Tax Collector in the Marketplace! Each day a "real" drama will take place at the well. People will drop what they're doing and hurry to see and hear the excitement. Shopkeepers will chat about the latest news about Jesus, helping children and adults discover that all the stories they've heard about Jesus really happened.

The day at Galilee By-the-Sea wraps up with Tribe Time, where families connect their experiences in "Galilee" to their modern-day lives. They'll discuss how Jesus is real to them today, just as he was part of everyday life in Bible times. And they'll reflect on their experiences with a daily take-home newspaper, the *Galilee Gazette*.

Finally, everyone will gather for a brief time of singing and announcements at the Gathering. This unique, hands-on approach to Bible learning is one you won't soon forget!

Sign up for kids will begin June 4.

The cut off date is July 1 so that our planning team has a week to assign kids to groups, get set up for the week, and be sure we have enough craft supplies, etc. available.

Join the fun!

Become part of living history . . . join us July 8-12

