

Footsteps Summer Teaching

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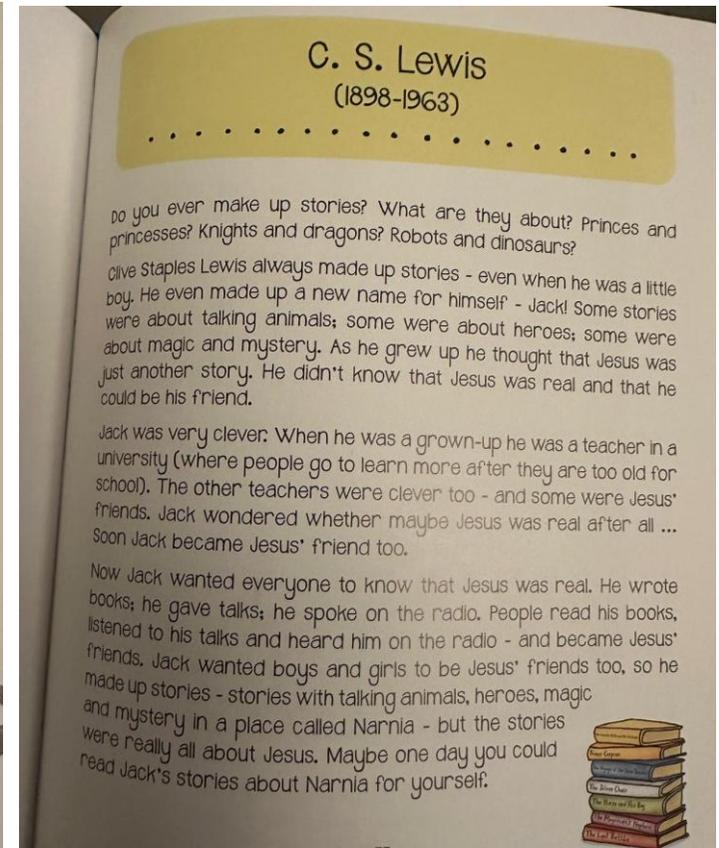
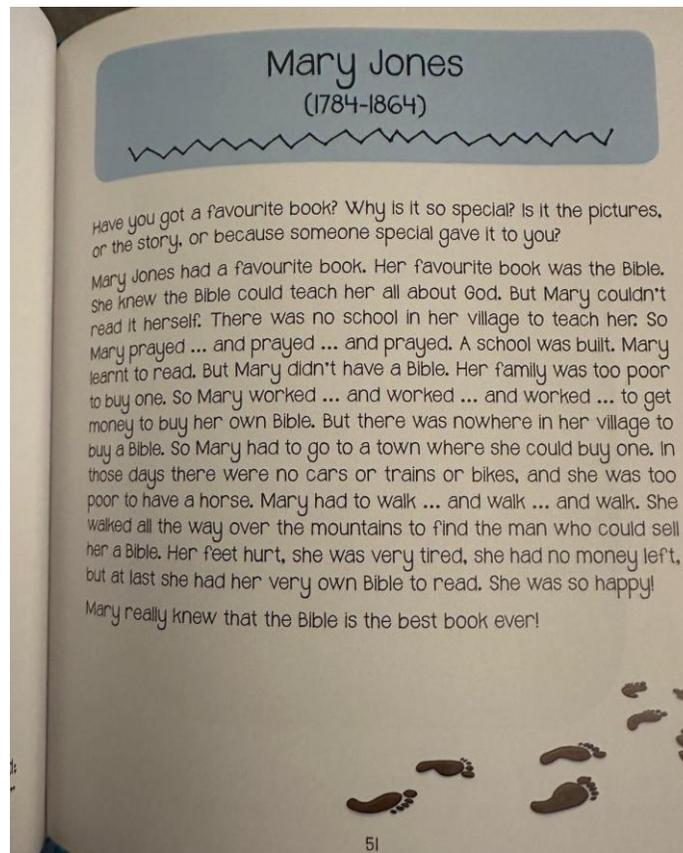
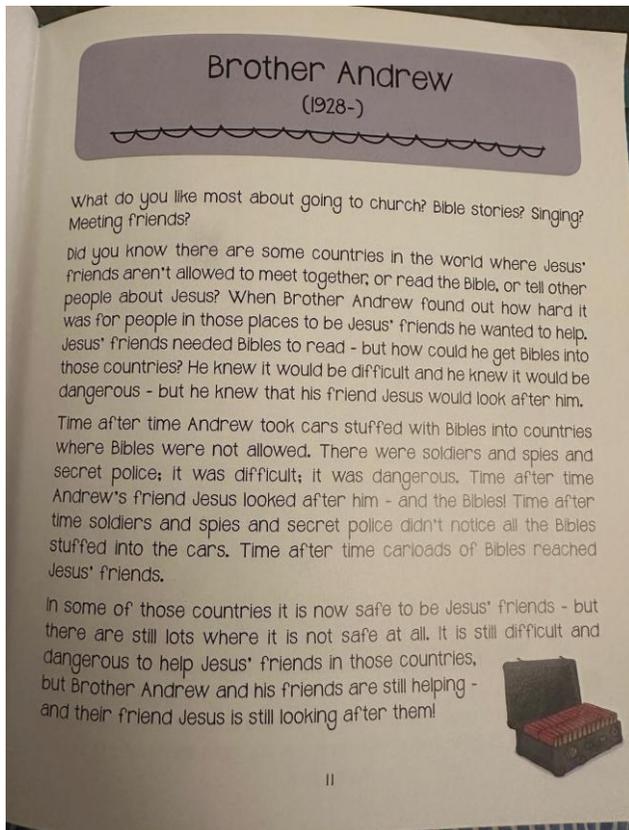
- Read the story of the person's life using the pictures below all taken from 'Everyone a child should know'
- Explain the linked verse. You could get the children to repeat back a short part of the verse.
- Feel free to do the craft or game idea

Date	Person	Bible verse	Big Idea	Game Idea	Craft (For Adventurers)
27/07/25	Brother Andrew	Psalm 27.1 The Lord is my light and salvation – who shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid.	Jesus will look after His friends and even when there is trouble or danger, His friends will be eternally safe.	Take it in turn to 'deliver' bibles. Make a barrier with chairs and have the children hold or store a bible in one of the ride ons. Stop them at the barrier and then let them through.	Brother Andrew van colouring
3/08/25	Mary Jones	Psalm 19.10 God's words ' <i>are more precious than gold, than much pure gold: they are sweeter than honey from the honeycomb.</i> ' Psalm 19.10	The bible is the best book ever	<i>Act out the story, the working, the walking and Mary buying her bible.</i>	Design a rosette colouring
10/08/25	C S Lewis	Psalm 14.1 ' <i>The fool says in his heart "There is no God"</i> '	God can use us to be creative for God and tell others about Him	<i>Sit in a circle and ask them if they'd like to tell a short story like Jack.</i>	C S Lewis Colouring
17/08/25	Corrie Ten Boom*	Psalm 32: 7 "You are my hiding-place: you will protect me from	Jesus will always be with us, wanting us to love and not hate others.	hide a toy/teddy and take turns to be the seeker. Explain God always sees us and is with us, even if we are hiding.	Design a shield colouring

		trouble and surround me with song of deliverance.”			
24/08/25	Eric Liddell	Psalm 119: 32 <i>I run in the path of your commands.</i>	The greatest gift is to be Jesus’ friend and be able to tell others about Him	Follow my leader [with lots of running on the spot]	Eric Liddell colouring sheet

*** Corrie Ten Boom**

[This is a more intense story, so do edit the story to make it appropriate for our 2-4s. The big idea to highlight is that even when Corrie and her sister were cold, ill and hungry, Jesus was still with them and that Jesus wants us to love and not hate others.]



Corrie ten Boom (1892-1983)

Do you like hiding? Do you have a favourite hiding place? Behind the sofa? Under the bed? In the wardrobe?

Corrie ten Boom had a very special hiding place - a tiny little space in her bedroom. It was hidden and secret. Corrie's hiding place wasn't for playing games - it was for keeping people safe. Corrie's family lived in Holland. Bad people took over the country and did bad things. They wanted to kill all Jewish people (who come from the family of Abraham in the Old Testament). Corrie's family were Jesus' friends and knew Jesus thought this was very wrong. They looked after as many Jewish people as they could. They fed them, they hid them and they helped them escape.

One day soldiers came. They sent the whole family to prison for helping the Jews - but the Jewish people were safe in Corrie's special hiding place. Corrie and her sister Betsie weren't safe. In prison they were cold; they were hungry; they were ill; they were treated very badly. Betsie told Corrie that their friend Jesus was with them - even when they were cold, hungry, ill and badly treated. Betsie told Corrie that Jesus wanted her to love, not hate.

Betsie died in prison. But when Corrie was set free she spent her whole life telling her story; telling how Jesus was with her when she was cold, ill and hungry; telling how we should always love and not hate - just like her friend Jesus.



Eric Liddell (1902-1945)

Are you a fast runner? God makes some people who can run fast and some people who can't. Sometimes, like on sports day at school, it can seem that running fast is the most important thing in the world. It isn't really - it is much more important to be Jesus' friend and live for him.

Eric Liddell was a very, very fast runner. He was the fastest runner in the world and won a gold medal at the Olympic Games. He loved running, but he loved his friend Jesus even more! Because Eric was a good runner people wanted to listen to what he said. Eric told them about Jesus.

Eric was a famous man, but he went to China - a country a long way away - where nobody had even heard of him. He wanted to tell the people there about Jesus too. It was a very dangerous place to be. There was fighting and Eric was put in prison. It was horrid, but Eric now had more people to tell about Jesus. Eric was cold and hungry and soon he became very ill, but he always knew that Jesus was looking after him.

When Eric died people said how great he was because he could run fast. Eric knew that it was much greater to be Jesus' friend and tell people all about him.

