

Welcome Disciples!

Welcome to *Grow to Go!*

Here's your invitation to take your call as a disciple out into the world! The call to life transformed in Christ compels disciples of all ages to boldly witness to God's creative and loving activity in the world. This program planner is intended to assist Christian education leaders as they engage adults, youth, and children in a life of discipleship.

Grow to Go is designed to especially help you equip children to be "disciple-makers" and to instill an assurance in their identity that they too are called to "go tell" in the world. What does a child's world look like? Well, perhaps it is the home, neighborhood, school, community, and even around the globe.

Three unique features mark this year's planner:

- As we continue with our series of "modern day disciples" the spotlight shines on the life and ministry of Albert Schweitzer. We are reminded that our youngest generation may not have ever heard of Dr. Schweitzer or Dietrich Bonhoeffer (featured in the 2006-2007 Christian education planner). Albert Schweitzer plays a significant part in this year's Intergenerational Rally Day Module (see page 16).
- The **Grow to Go** theme offers a natural link to discipleship through global mission. Even if you don't use all the Intergenerational Rally Day materials, please consider the Village Education Project, (see page 26) a wonderful way to connect children with children across the miles.
- A leader enrichment page devoted to the faith-sharing role of teacher/leader in the classroom, at home, and in day-to-day activities (see pages 28-29).



Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

John 3: 16

