

## Royal Ambassadors on the Fast Track Ideas

So you're excited about the possibility of starting Royal Ambassadors in your church? Great! You may be wondering what you can do right now. These Fast Track ideas are quick, simple, yet effective methods to help churches start Royal Ambassadors on the Fast Track. Choose one or two ideas that will work best for your church and your boys. These ideas can be implemented short-term while leaders are being trained in how to start and maintain an ongoing, healthy, Royal Ambassador organization.

### Idea #1 – Understanding My Personal Role in the Great Commission

- A. Teach *Sons of Virtue, Instilling Godly Character in Boys* to a boy or lead several men to teach this study to boys in your church.
- B. Teach a boy or boys "Me A Missionary?" Visit [www.kidzplace.org](http://www.kidzplace.org) and click on "I'll Go." Choose and do one of the mission activities listed as part of this study.
- C. Teach a boy or boys basic money/financial management skills. Introduce tithing and its importance related to effective Christian money management.
- D. Lead a boy or boys in understanding God's plan for them to know and experience a personal relationship with Him through Jesus Christ. Secure free children's evangelism Show & Tell Tattoos from the North American Mission Board. Tattoos may be ordered by visiting [www.kidzplace.org](http://www.kidzplace.org) and clicking on Special Promotions. The Show & Tell tattoos use the colors grey, red, white, green and gold to explain how a person can have a personal love relationship with God through accepting His Son, Jesus Christ, as Lord and Savior. Give boys free tattoos. Explain the meaning behind each color and read the Scripture verses coinciding with each color.

### Idea #2 – Serving with My Family

Lead a boy or boys to discover opportunities for his family to be on mission with God through planning and conducting family-wide mission/ministry projects. Assist boys and their families in conducting weekly family mission projects. Ideas for family mission projects can be found at [www.sbcmissioneducation.com](http://www.sbcmissioneducation.com).

### Idea #3 – Being a Witness in My Neighborhood

- A. Build birdhouses or other crafts to present to a local care facility.
- B. Collect and donate food items to a local food bank or other food ministry in your community.
- C. Teach a boy or boys small-engine maintenance such as changing the oil, spark plug, replacing spoiled fuel, winterizing, and so forth. Plan, promote, and conduct a free lawn mower service day for people living in you church's neighborhood. Make sure this service is offered to those who are not members of your church.
- D. Lead a boy or boys to provide a free car wash to a senior adult in your community. This service is to be done at the senior adult's home. This one-on-one ministry allows boys and their leaders to build important relationships with senior adults living in your area.
- E. Lead a boy or boys in providing yard work for senior adults or physically challenged persons living in your area.
- F. Lead a boy or boys to plant and maintain a flower garden. Once flowers bloom, deliver fresh-cut flower to residents in a local care facility.
- G. Lead a boy or boys to provide issues of *Lad, Crusader, On Mission* and/or other mission reading material for local barbershops, doctor's offices, dentist's offices, children's hospital, and so forth.
- H. Contact a local care facility and explore the possibility of a boy or boys from your church conducting a pet day. Conduct a pet grooming event to prepare the pets for this project.

- I. Lead a boy or boys in grooming or walking pets of senior adults living in your area.
- J. Lead a boy or boys in preparing and presenting goodie bags for mail carriers, sanitation workers, firemen, policemen, and other community helpers, on days other than during the holidays.
- K. Lead a boy or boys in providing and planting a flower garden at a local care facility.
- L. Lead a boy or boys in preparing “get well” or “sunshine” bags described above for residents of a local care facility. Plan a time for delivering them.

#### **Idea #4 – Being a Witness to My School**

- A. Lead a boy or boys to prayerwalk their school. Lead them to pray for their classmates, their teachers, their principal and other school staff.
- B. Lead boys to make a bird house or other special craft object to give to their teachers.
- C. Lead a boy or boys in working with your pastor and other church staff to plan a teacher appreciation Sunday, luncheon, or breakfast.

#### **Idea #5 – Partnering with My Church**

Create “get well” or “sunshine” bags that include appropriate items for people admitted to a local hospital. Provide these bags to your pastor and/or other church staff to use during pastoral visits.

#### **Idea #6 – Partnering with My Association**

Lead a boy or boys in understanding Baptist associations’ role in cooperative missions. Answer the following questions: What is a Baptist association? What is the name of our Baptist association? Who is our Associational Director of Missions/Associational Missionary? How does our Baptist association help our church tell people about Jesus Christ?

#### **Idea #7 – Partnering with My State**

- A. Lead a boy or boys in understanding Baptist state conventions’ role in cooperative missions. Answer the following questions: What is a Baptist state convention? What is the name of our Baptist state convention? How does our Baptist state convention help our church tell people about Jesus Christ?
- B. Lead a boy or boys to provide sport equipment such as footballs, basketballs, and so forth, for a Baptist mission center, children’s home, inner-city community center, or other ministry.

#### **Idea #8 – Reaching My Nation**

- A. Lead a boy or boys in studying about North American missions. Download a special children’s North American mission study by visiting [www.anniearmstrong.com](http://www.anniearmstrong.com).
- B. Lead a boy or boys in understanding the North American Mission Board’s (NAMB) role in Southern Baptist cooperative missions. Answer the following questions: What does NAMB do? Where do NAMB missionaries serve? What is the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions? How does the Cooperative Program support NAMB missionaries? For information regarding NAMB visit [www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net).

#### **Idea #9 – Impacting My World**

- A. Introduce a boy or boys to Southern Baptist international missionaries through downloading *Kids On Mission* videos. For free missionary video profiles and other helpful children’s resources visit [www.kidsonmission.org](http://www.kidsonmission.org).
- B. Lead a boy or boys in understanding world hunger (domestic and international) and then collect money for the World Hunger Fund. For information on world hunger and the World Hunger Fund visit [www.worldhungerfund.com](http://www.worldhungerfund.com).

- C. Lead a boy or boys in understanding the International Mission Board's (IMB) role in Southern Baptist cooperative missions. Answer the following questions: What does the IMB do? How many countries do Southern Baptists have IMB missionaries in? What is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions? How does the Cooperative Program support IMB missionaries? For information about the International Mission Board visit [www.imb.org](http://www.imb.org).

**Idea #10 – Combining My Efforts with Others – The Cooperative Program**

- A. Lead a boy or boys in understanding Southern Baptist cooperative missions through teaching them about the Cooperative Program (visit [www.cpmissions.net](http://www.cpmissions.net)).
- B. Write an encouraging message on postcards from your city or state and send to a Southern Baptist international, North American, associational (director of missions) and a missionary serving in your state. For help in locating international missionaries visit [www.imb.org](http://www.imb.org). For North American missionaries visit [www.namb.net/missionaries](http://www.namb.net/missionaries). For missionaries serving in your state visit your Baptist state convention Web site or [www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net) and click on "Partners."