

VERSEATHON



There is no greater reward than to reach into a child's life and create a change - the changes we make today will last for all eternity! It is only through God that this happens, however YOU can play a part in the transformation process.

Money raised during our Verse-A-Thon will be used to reach children with the gospel message and engage them in lifelong discipleship with caring and fully trained leaders. Like a "walk-a-thon" pledges are collected for verses recited from memory (helps are allowed). Come join in on the fun!

Who? KStation Students at Immanuel Bible Church.

Why? To provide an opportunity to reach new kids around the world so they can attend an "Awana" bible club where they will hear about Jesus.

How? Recite any verses you know! This is an opportunity to review verses already memorized, allowing God's Word to go deeper into our hearts and minds. You can set a goal for how many verses you want to recite using the verse tracking sheet included in this packet.

Pledges: You and your parents can find sponsors among family, neighbors, and friends. Request a pledge per verse or a fixed amount & record the pledges on the Verse-A-Thon sponsor sheet. **Every \$10 helps one new child be able to attend club!**

When? Our church Verse-a-Thon is scheduled for November 15th, 2020: 3:30-4:30pm, IBC Gym. Be prepared to recite their verses from memory to a listener (helps allowed!) by writing or typing out the references and verses you intend to recite.

Collect Pledges from sponsors after the event. Funds are due back on November 22nd, 2020. Please make checks payable to Immanuel Bible Church.

Whether you know 5 or 50 verses, **EVERYONE** can participate, so put forth your best effort & remember kids around the world will be impacted for eternity because of our Verse-a-Thon.

Questions can be directed to: Katie Nelson at IBCVerseATHon@gmail.com.

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Sponsor Info

Through Verse-a-Thon, you will make a difference for kids just like YOU around the world! Verse-a-Thon is one way to put your faith & skills into action and make it possible for other kids to learn about Jesus!

To help reach these kids, you will be asking family, friends, or neighbors to sponsor you. A “sponsor” is a person who pledges money for verses you recite. They can either make a pledge per verse (example: \$1 for every recited verse) or give you a fixed amount (\$15 regardless of how many verses you say).

Asking people to sponsor can actually be easy! Here is an example script for you to use when you ask for donations. Read it out and practice with an adult until you feel comfortable.

What to bring with you:

- Sponsor Sheet and Packet
- Pen/Pencil
- Sponsor Thank You Card
- Your smile 😊

Script: Hello! My name is _____. I attend Immanuel Bible Church. Our church is hosting a Verse-a-Thon on November 15th, 2020.

At Verse-a-Thon, I will recite as many Bible verses as I can from memory. I am looking for sponsors to support me by making a pledge. Donations will help kids attend a bible club in Rwanda, Africa where they will hear about Jesus. Every \$10 means one new kid can go. Would you please sponsor me?

If they say Yes

You: Thank you! Could you please help me fill out this form? (Give them the sponsor sheet and have them fill in their information.) On November 16th, 2020, I will let you know how many verses I recited and pick up your donation. Thank you for sponsoring me! (Give them a thank you card later.)

If they say “No”: That’s okay! Thank you for taking time to listen to me.

After Verse-A-Thon – On the Sponsor Sheet fill in the # of verses you recited and calculate the amount of donation to collect from each sponsor. Go back to your sponsors and let them know how many verses you recited and collect their donation. Share how many kids you and your sponsors are reaching! Thank your sponsors again.

Return your Verse-a-Thon packet with pledges by November 22nd, 2020.

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Sponsor Tracking Sheet

First & Last Name: _____

Verse Goal: _____ Verses Recited: _____ # of Sponsors: _____ Total \$ Raised _____

Ask sponsors to make a pledge either per verse or for a fixed amount. Their support will not only challenge you to memorize God's Word, but will also help in this year's GO missions project. THANK YOU!

Name	Phone/Email	Pledge per Verse	x	Verses Recited	=	Fixed Amt. or Total Donation	Paid	Method (circle one)
(example: per verse) Jane Doe	218-555-1212	50¢	x	10	=	\$5.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	cash/check
(example: fixed amount) Joseph Smith	jsmith@gmail.com	n/a	x	n/a	=	\$10.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	cash/check
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Make checks payable to: Immanuel Bible Church.

To turn in donations after the event, place all donations in a sealed envelope and write your name, grade level, and amount on the front. Give the envelope to a KStation Director or Sunday School Teacher.

For more information please contact Katie Nelson at IBCVerseathon@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Grade: _____ # of Verses Recited: _____

