

Sunday School Logistics Considerations

There's no rule that these things have to be done a certain way. Rather, the Bible encourages creativity and adaptiveness, making the best use of circumstances.

- ❑ Jesus pushed a boat out from the shore to give space between himself and the people. (Luke 5:1-3)

Another major Biblical principle is orderliness.

- ❑ Paul commanded that worship services be conducted decently and in order.
- ❑ God commanded the arrangement of the camp of Israel in an orderly manner, the arrangement of the Old Testament houses of worship in an orderly manner.
- ❑ Jesus organized the crowds that followed Him in an orderly manner to eat. (He told them to sit by companies of 50's and 100's. Matt. 6:39-40)

Considerations of Times & Places:

Possible times to meet— (Begin by asking when they meet)

Before church begins

During all or part of church service

On a week day (like a club), including games & activities

Sunday afternoon (around 4 p.m.?)

Possible places to meet—

Under a shady tree outside

In homes or yards near the church

In the church

In a school

Things to consider in deciding between alternative—

- ❑ Size of group
- ❑ Age & educational level of group
- ❑ Number of helpers available
- ❑ Experience/skill of helpers and teachers
(Note: Many churches don't use all the talent available.)
- ❑ Sound levels—will the teacher be heard? Will you disturb other groups?
- ❑ Children need space to move.
- ❑ Need space and/or partitions between classes. (Remember Jesus pushing the boat out from the shore in order to give space between Himself and the people He was teaching.)
- ❑ Need to control noise.
Consider the direction the children are facing.
Consider soft, noise-absorbing backgrounds.