

# 7 Taking care of your Garden

## of Children's Ministry



### a. Sun in your garden: Preventing problems!

Be Present. It may seem obvious, but soon you will see that it is very easy to miss a class, but a good teacher has to actually be there to give the class!

- a. Weekly faithfulness
- b. Years of service
- c. Keep your mind present in class
- d. Use all your available minutes



### b. Water your garden: Showing love to the children!

Children's ministry is not a show for adults. We have seen where the church asks the children's ministry leader to prepare a song or drama to present to the adults. Of course, it is not bad to accept some activities for your children to have fun, but we must remember that children's ministry does not exist to entertain the adults. Take care of every minute you have with your students and do not give away the minutes in a rehearsal for a show for adults, without something in return. When participating in a song or show, it is important to let the children know that they will do so to worship God and because we are grateful to Him.



### c. Weed your garden: Maintaining discipline!

Be inspired when you feel like you are going down or crashing. Surely you will have good days and bad days, but remember that the children also have different moods and the teenagers even more, so ask the Lord for help! Teach your class while thinking that a child's life can change and that the Lord will help you in the situation you are going through. Here is a list of movies that will help to inspire you: Lean on Me, Kathmandu Lullaby (A mirror in the sky) and Machine gun preacher. If you lose your inspiration, discipline techniques will not work.

