Using Enjoy Life Forever! in the Ministry

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1. This document provides suggestions on using *Enjoy Life Forever!—Introductory Bible Lessons* (brochure) and *Enjoy Life Forever!—An Interactive Bible Course* (book) in the ministry. The brochure contains the first three lessons from the book. After completing lesson 03 in the brochure, discuss with the student the page entitled "Have You Enjoyed What You Learned?" If the student wishes to continue studying, he would continue in the fourth lesson of the book. The *Enjoy Life Forever!* book covers everything that the student needs to learn to qualify for Christian baptism.

TRANSFERRING A STUDENT FROM ANOTHER PUBLICATION

- 2. Good judgment is needed to determine where in the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book to begin when transferring a student from another publication. If a student has recently begun studying in the *Teach Us* book, it will likely be best to transfer the student to the beginning of the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book. However, if a student is well along in the *Teach Us* book or is in the *Remain in God's Love* book, it may be helpful to discuss with the student the review questions located at the end of each section of the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book (pages 53, 141, 199, and 253). Such discussions can help you determine which lessons should be considered with the student. If a student is nearing the end of the *Remain in God's Love* book, you may finish that book and encourage the student to review the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book on his own. If a student has completed the *Listen to God* brochure or the *Listen to God and Live Forever* brochure, you should discuss the material in the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book according to the student's ability.
- 3. If you are unsure where to begin in the *Enjoy Life Forever!* book, ask for assistance from an experienced teacher. In any case, be sure to become thoroughly familiar with the book and discuss with the student the benefits of transferring to it.

OFFERING A BIBLE STUDY COURSE

- 4. Use the back cover of the brochure to offer the Bible course. In most cases, starting the Bible study in the brochure will enable you to see if you should continue the study in the book. However, if someone expresses interest in a topic that is not covered in the brochure, such as family life, suffering, or the hope for dead loved ones, you may cover the appropriate lesson in the book, after which you should go back to lesson 01 to start the Bible course.
- 5. When witnessing by letter, it is best to determine a person's interest before sending a printed copy of the brochure to him. However, you could offer the free interactive Bible course and direct the person to jw.org where he can download a copy of the publication. When witnessing by telephone, you could offer to send the person a link to the brochure.

CONDUCTING A BIBLE STUDY

- 6. It is good to review with the student the opening section of the brochure entitled "How to Get the Most Out of These Bible Lessons." In the book, this section is entitled "How to Get the Most Out of This Bible Course" and includes the video *Welcome to Your Bible Study*.
- 7. The publications are designed to promote meaningful discussions. The discussion should be a natural conversation rather than a formal question and answer consideration of the material. This will allow the student to express himself freely, which in turn will help the teacher discern more readily whether the student is truly understanding and appreciating the material. The student should be encouraged to prepare in advance by reading the first part of a lesson, up to where the "Dig Deeper" section begins.
- 8. Feel free to ask supplemental questions to reason on a subject or to emphasize important points. However, it is best to avoid talking too much.
- 9. **"Explore" Section:** Depending on the student's needs and interests, you may choose to discuss some of the information in the "Explore" section during the study or to encourage him to review the information on his own. Being thoroughly familiar with the "Explore" section will help you determine whether or not you need to cover any of the material with your student.
- 10. Length and Frequency of Study Sessions: Much depends on the student's circumstances. Study sessions typically last about an hour, but they can be shorter or longer to suit the student. Students who choose to study more than once a week often progress more rapidly, especially if it is not possible to cover an entire lesson in one study session. To maximize the benefits of this course, it is recommended to cover at least one lesson per week. Although it is usually best to conduct the Bible study in person, studies can be conducted by telephone, video call, texting, mail, or email.
- 11. **Using a Printed Publication:** If you do not have an electronic device to access the videos, perhaps someone else in the congregation who has access to the videos can assist you. If that is not possible and a video in the "Dig Deeper" section depicts an experience, discuss with the student a similar experience from our printed publications, such as those referenced in the "Explore" section of *Enjoy Life Forever!* If additional experiences are needed, consult the article series "The Bible Changes Lives" in *The Watchtower* or on jw.org. Try to use published material that closely matches the subject under discussion.
- 12. **Conducting by Videoconference or Telephone:** If your videoconferencing tool does not allow you to share videos, you and your student both could play and listen to the videos at the same time. This can be done over the phone as well. If your student cannot access the videos, you could play them on your device while he listens.
- 13. In some areas, using the Internet to stream or download videos may be costly or impractical. However, in most languages, an audio recording of each lesson in *Enjoy Life Forever!* is available in *JW Library*, which includes the audio portion of each video in the lesson. Streaming or downloading only the audio recording might adequately reduce Internet costs. Some publishers use a messaging app to send a video to their students, since this method often reduces the file size of the video and thus reduces the cost of accessing it on a device.

MORE INFORMATION

- 14. The following references provide more information regarding the use of the *Enjoy Life Forever!* publications:
 - (1) "Use Enjoy Life Forever! in Your Ministry"—mwb21.09 pp. 3, 16

- (2) "Help Your Bible Students to Become Baptized Disciples"—w21.06 pp. 2-7
- (3) "What Is the Bible Study Course Offered by Jehovah's Witnesses?"—jw.org

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