**EMERALD ROYAL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, MPAPE ABUJA**

**LESSON PLAN/NOTE FOR WEEK SIX ENDING 17TH FEBRUARY 2023**

**TERM: SECOND**

**WEEK: SIX**

**DATE: 15TH FEBRUARY 2023**

**CLASS: JSS 3**

**SUBJECT: CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**TOPIC: TEACHING THAT WILL FOSTER UNITY**

**SUB-TOPIC: FAITH AND WORKS**

**PERIOD: 10TH**

**TIME: 2:30pm - 3:00 pm**

**DURATION: 30 MINUTES**

**NUMBER IN CLASS : 12**

**AVERAGE AGE: 13**

**SEX: MALE AND FEMALE**

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES: BY THE END OF THE LESSON THE SCHOLARS SHOULD BE ABLE TO:**

* **Distinguish between faith and works**
* **EXPLAIN James' teaching on Faith and works**
* **List the significance of James' teaching on faith and Works**

**RATIONALE: TO ACQUAINT SCHOLARS WITH THE BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE OF THE TOPIC.**

**PREVIOUS KNOWLEGDE: THE SCHOLARS HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO CHRISTIAN GIVING**

**INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES**

1. Illustrations from the Internet showing Christians being kind to one another

**REFERENCE MATERIALS:**

1. T. OLUFEMI J. OLUGASA ET AL, CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND NATIONAL VALUES FOR JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL 3,2015.
2. ONLINE MATERIALS
3. THE HOLY BIBLE

(LESSON DEVELOPMENT)

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| **STEPS** | **TEACHER’S ACTIVITIES** | **PUPILS’ ACTIVITIES** | **LEARNING POINTS** |
| **INTRODUCTION** | The teacher introduces the topic by asking the scholars questions from the previous topic such as;  What is giving?  What is the reason we give as Christians? | The scholars actively participate by answering questions asked. | To arouse the scholar’s interest towards the topic. |
| **PRESENTATION**  **STEP 1** | The teacher distinguishes between faith and works. | The scholars pay attention. | To enhance proper understanding of the topic. |
| **STEP 2** | The teacher explains James' teaching on faith and works. | The scholars listen and ask relevant question on the topic. | To encourage critical thinking on the topic. |
| **STEP 3** | The teacher guide students to state the significance of James' teaching on faith and works. | The scholars attempt and take the corrections given by the teacher. | To stimulate the scholar's understanding. |
| **SUMMARY** | The teacher summarizes the lesson thus:  **Faith and Works (James 1:22-27):**  In the teaching of James, **Faith** represents the Christian moral teachings of good conduct as revealed to us in the teachings of Jesus Christ. **Works** then would mean putting the moral teachings of Jesus into practice in the Christian life. The moral teachings include Love, honesty, truthfulness, forgiveness, humility, faithfulness and charity The faith of a Christian who does not practice these virtues is dead. Such a person is not a true Christian. Thus, a true Christian is one who combines **Faith** and **Works**. This is the message of James.  According to James, no one can lay claim to being a good Christian unless he puts into daily practice all the will of God as preached by Jesus. James illustrated this truth with the analogy of someone who observes his face in a mirror. Such a person is a mere hearer of the word of God. This is because after observing his face in a mirror, he soon forgets what he looks like, as he turns away from the mirror.  On the other hand, a '*doer of the word*' is one who looks into the perfect law - Jesus Christ, which is the law of liberty; and with perseverance does not forget easily, but acts on it. Such a person receives God's blessings.  James goes on to say that the true religious man (the doer of the word) must control his tongue. Anyone who fails to discipline his tongue deceives himself and his religion is vain.  James said that true religion involves visiting orphans and widows and keeping oneself unstained from the world, that is, maintaining purity before God.  **The Significance of St. James' teaching on Faith and Works:**  By stressing Faith and Works, James married theory and practice in Christian life. What is expected of us as Christians is to practice what we believe. This is the only way we can portray ourselves as true Christians to the outside world.  1) As Christians, we can do this in various ways. The first is by living an upright Christian life by being clean in thought, feeling, word and deed.  2) The second is by preaching the word of God with a view of making sinners turn away from their bad ways and accept Jesus Christ as their Personal Lord and Saviour.  3) The third is fully participating in God's work as a full member of any Christian congregation; in their choir, youth clubs, and voluntary service, and so on.  4) Finally, we put our faith into practice by being good Christian citizens and good examples to others at all times. All this we must do with the help of Holy Spirit. | The scholars copy notes into their notebooks. | For future reference. |
| **EVALUATION** | The teacher evaluates the topic thus :  1. Distinguish between Faith and works.  2. Explain James' teaching in faith and works. | The scholars attempt the questions. | To assess their understanding of the topic. |
| **CONCLUSION** | The teacher check the scholar’s notes and make corrections. | The students implement the corrections made by the teacher. | For better understanding of the topic. |
| **HOME WORK** | The teacher gives the scholars homework as:  1) State the significance of James' teaching on Faith and Works. | The scholars copy their homework to do it at home. | To encourage scholars to learn and study while at home. |

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**17TH FEBRUARY 2023**

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