



# Trunk or Treat



**OCTOBER 27**

**2-4 PM**

## **SCHEDULE - October 27**

**VOLUNTEER LUNCH:** Immediately following service as we set up for Trunk or Treat.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** 2:00 - 4:00 PM

## **WHAT IS TRUNK OR TREAT?**

Trunk or Treat is a safe alternative to traditional Halloween festivities that encourages participation from the whole church body.

Picture our parking lot filled with cars, vans, trucks, and other vehicles, each decorated in a variety of fun themes and filled with treats. That's where the name "Trunk or Treat" comes from. Next, imagine another area filled with games and activities for kids and families to enjoy together. Then every once in a while someone will announce the winner of a door prize or another exciting give-away! From babies on up to grandpas and grandmas, there will be something for everyone. It will be such a fun way to spend the evening as a family that those who live in our community will be asking if this is an annual event. Sound like fun?

## **HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?**

- **Register in the foyer on the sign-up sheets or online at [www.eastwoodbaptist.com/trunk-treat](http://www.eastwoodbaptist.com/trunk-treat) to volunteer to decorate your trunk or bring a carnival style game.**
- **Grab some invitation cards in the foyer and pass them out to your family, friends, and neighborhood.**
- **Come and have fun!**

Will you help us redeem the night for the kingdom of God and be the brightest light around? I look forward to serving with you on Sunday, October 27 from 2:00—4:00 PM.

**FOR MORE INFO** visit [www.eastwoodbaptist.com/trunk-treat](http://www.eastwoodbaptist.com/trunk-treat) for more info or call the church office at 318-949-9433.

# TRUNK OR TREAT/ CARNIVAL GAMES INSTRUCTIONS AND IDEAS

- If you are setting up a trunk, when you arrive for worship at 10:30 AM we will direct you to the parking location for our Trunk or Treat cars. You can wait and set up your trunk after the worship service. If for some reason you cannot come to worship, please arrive no later than 1:00 PM.
- **Trunk or Treat/ Carnival Games Decoration Ideas.** We don't want anything that would be scary or inappropriate for a church family celebration. Bible stories are preferred but not mandatory. *Some examples: Noah's Ark, David and Goliath, Jonah and the Big Fish, Moses and the parting sea, etc....* Also, to make the event more interesting, please plan to dress up to go along with your trunk theme. If you have a great idea for a game that can be played out of your trunk, please go for it!  
**THERE WILL BE A PRIZE AWARDED TO THE BEST TRUNK.** (Design, creativity, originality, etc...)
- We anticipate lots of people showing up for this event. That is a lot of candy! **WE DO ASK THAT YOU BRING THE CANDY FOR YOUR CAR!** You will give kids candy from your decorated trunk.
- **Trunk or Treat/ Carnival Games goes from [ 2:00 - 4:00 PM ] Please do not move your car until after [ 4:30 PM ], and be sure to have someone stay with your vehicle all evening. You may want to bring jackets, gloves, and lawn chairs, etc ...**
- If we have rain, the event would unfortunately be canceled. Pray for no rain.

## CREATIVE IDEAS WEBSITES

- <https://lightcolorlive.com/trunk-or-treat-ideas-for-church/>
- Oriental Trading

## CARNIVAL GAME IDEAS

- **BASKETBALL:** Set up a standard or kids-sized basketball goal. Players get three tries to make a basket
- **BEANBAG TOSS:** Make a target out of plywood or foam core board (available at art supply stores). Paint the board with a fun design and cut out holes large enough for the beanbags to go through. Each player gets to throw three beanbags at the target. It's helpful to have at least two sets of beanbags on hand so one helper can chase bags while the other helper works with the next person in line. We have several beanbag games in our Catalog, as well as beanbags to use if you make your own game.
- **PUMPKIN TOSS:** Carve several pumpkins and have players throw beanbags into them.
- **BOWLING:** You can use real bowling pins, a kid's bowling set, or empty 2-liter pop bottles weighed with a little sand or water. (Ideal for someone who has a station wagon or van with the seats out.)
- **BUCKET TOSS:** Attach 3 to 6 small buckets to a board about 6" apart. The player tries to toss a ball into the buckets in order, from the closest to the farthest away.
- **CAKE (OR COOKIE, CANDY, PIE) WALK:** Arrange a circle of numbered squares. Players walk around the circle while music plays. When the music stops, the operator chooses the winning numbers from a hat. Players standing on a winning number get a prize.
- **DUCK POND:** Write numbers on the bottom of floating ducks and place them in a wading pool "pond." The player selects a duck, and the number on the bottom of the duck determines the prize. The player can just pick the duck up or you can use a net to scoop it up.

- **FISHING POND:** This is a classic. The player extends a small fishing pole over (or through a hole in) a screen. The operator in back of the screen attaches a prize to the line. Fishing poles can easily be made from bamboo sticks or wooden dowels with a clothespin or paper clamp on the end of a string.
- **FOOTBALL TOSS:** Make a target out of plywood or foam core board (available at art supply stores). Paint the board with a fun sports design and cut out holes large enough for small footballs to go through. Each player gets to throw three footballs at the target.
- **HORSESHOES:** Set up a traditional game of horseshoes. The player must make at least one ringer to win a prize.
- **PING PONG BALL TOSS:** Use goldfish bowls as the targets. Each player gets to throw three ping pong balls. You can color-code the bowls. It's helpful to have at least two sets of balls on hand so one helper can chase balls while the other helper works with the next person in line.
- **TIC TAC TOE:** This can be played with beanbags or plastic balls. For the beanbag version, just mark out the lines on the floor or a mat. For the ball version, make or buy a box with nine holes for the balls to be tossed into. Three in a row wins!

## GAMES WITH A BIBLICAL THEME

- **DANIEL IN THE LIONS DEN (BEANBAG THROW):** Make a "lion" target out of plywood or foam core boards (available at art supply stores). Each player gets to throw three beanbags at the target.
- **FEED NOAH'S ANIMALS:** Paint a board with a picture of an animal. Leave a hole for the "food" to be thrown into. Each player gets three tries to throw the "food" into the hole. To make the game harder, have the player use a slingshot to toss the food.
- **FISHERS OF MEN (GOLDFISH TOSS):** Set up a row of empty goldfish bowls and let the player try to toss a ping pong ball into a bowl.
- **JACOB'S LADDER (BUCKET TOSS):** Attach small buckets to the rungs of a step ladder. The player tries to toss a ball into the buckets in order, from the lowest to the highest. For inexpensive buckets, try using plastic flower pots.
- **JONAH AND THE WHALE (BEANBAG THROW):** Make a "whale" target out of plywood, foam core board or a card board box. Each player gets to throw three "Jonah" beanbags at the target.
- **PLANTING GOD'S WORD** The players throw artificial flowers at flower pot targets. Weight the stem end of the flower so it will have enough weight to fly smoothly through the air. The flower pots could be labeled with words like "Love," "Respect," "Honor," etc.
- **THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE (CANDLE SHOOTOUT):** Firmly anchor candles in dishes. Players try to shoot out the candle flame with water (squirt) guns. A barbecue lighter is handy for relighting the candles. Have plenty of water guns on hand so some can be refilled while others are in play. Don't use the ultra powerful water guns, they'll knock over your whole set up!
- **WALK IN JESUS FOOTSTEPS (CAKE WALK):** Make footsteps out of colored paper and put a number from one to six on each "step." Then play music while the players walk from step to step. When the music stops, roll a dice to see which players are the winners. Winners can get cake, pie, cookies, candy, etc.
- **WALLS OF JERICHO (CAN KNOCKDOWN):** Stack six cans in a pyramid. Each player gets to throw one to three balls at the cans. You can use tennis balls, rubber baseballs, or other types of balls for this game. You can decide if they must knock down all or just a few cans to win a prize. The cans can be decorated to go with your theme.



## TRUNK OR TREAT/CARNIVAL GAME REMINDERS & TIPS

- Bring plenty of candy to give away for kids passing by.
- Bring seating for yourself.
- Try to connect a bible story or the gospel to your trunk/game theme.
- Make it interactive for the kids. (Game, movement, etc ...)
- Contact Leonda Palmer at 318-532-2652 if you need a game or trunk idea