Dad Awards (AY)

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Summary

The program is an award ceremony for dads with fatherly traits.

Program Aim

The affirm fathers and emphasize the spiritual importance of good fatherly traits and emphasize God as the true father to emulate.

Scripture References

Luke 11:11-13

Theme Song(s)

304 – Faith of Our Fathers

Program Audience

Fathers

Preparations and resources

Print out cards with the various awards for awarding to fathers, place all fathers and “father figures” in the front rows. Set up a table at the front of the church with all the awards laid out in their categories. There should be multiple awards under each category according to the size of the congregation. Ask for Five volunteers to give awards to their dads and share their gratitude in the form of a testimony.

You Can also use the attached PowerPoint presentation to display on a screen or to be used in an online version of this program.
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You need Award Cards, see the end of the document for samples.

[Duration 1:45 minutes]

OPENING PRAYER ***[1 minute]***:
SONG SERVICE ***[15 minutes]***:

OPENING/THEME SONG ***[3 minutes]***:304 – Faith of Our Fathers

SCRIPTURE READING ***[2 minutes]***:
Luke 11:11-13
11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? **12** Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? **13** If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?
PRAYER ***[3 minutes]***: Specifically for the fathers of the church

PRELIMINARIES***[3 minutes]***:
AY MISSION:
The salvation of youth through Jesus Christ. We understand youth ministry to be that work of the church that is conducted for, with, and by young people.
AY AIM:
The Advent message to all the world in my generation.
AY MOTTO:
The love of Christ compels me.
AY PLED
Loving the Lord Jesus, I promise to take an active part in the youth ministry of the church, doing what I can to help others and to finish the work of the Gospel in all the world.
AY SONG:
Adventist youth are we from every land and sea
Together we pray and work and play in happy harmony
We have a faith to share
With others everywhere
A message of love from God above
To show the world we care
Adventist youth, Adventist Youth, Adventist Youth

WELCOME & GREETING ***[5 minutes]***:
ACTIVITIES ***[15 minutes]***:
Morning Watch, Testimonies, Hot Seat, Action group/unit meetings, etc.
Interview the oldest and youngest fathers. Ask them questions about fatherhood, then take questions from the congregation.
Eg:

- How long have you been a father?
- How many children do you have?
- How many did you name?
- What was your biggest fear before becoming a father?
- What was your proudest moment as a father?
- What do you wish more fathers would do?
- What is your advice to fathers and fathers-to-be?

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION ***[2 minutes]***:
SPECIAL ***[5 minutes]***:

MAIN PROGRAM ***[45 minutes]***:

The dad awards seek to give everyone in the congregation an opportunity to show their gratitude to all the fathers of the church. We will be awarding each father with a card/title that represents what that father means to us.

The first phase of awards will cover all the dads for just being there. It is a present to the Dads who were present in the lives of their own children or the lives of those who claimed them as dads.
Ask volunteers or identify young people to hand out these awards to all the dads. As far as possible, call the names of all the fathers present at your program and award them with this title. This ensures no father is left out.

Get 5 volunteers to give their testimonies and gratitude to their dad, biological or adopted.

The floors will then be open to 10 second tributes as persons choose their awards and present it to their dads.

The award categories are:

1. **Very Present Help:** This man was present in your life in one way or another. You could call him and he would be there. He was willing to share his time and/or resources to help with your needs.
2. **Priestly Pop:** This man is known for his spiritual influence and is always ready to share the word of God or spiritual counsel.
3. **Dad the Exterminator:** This dad has saved you from things that creep and crawl.
4. **Dad of Laughter:** You leave every encounter with this man smiling. He can always turn that frown upside down.
5. **Doctor Dad, the medicine man:** He is a health hero. He has a fix or medicine for every illness.
6. **Lord Listener:** He is not only a great listening ear, but what he hears stays secret.
7. **Counsel King:** He is always offering pertinent advice ranging from education, relationships, career, finance etc.
8. **Man of Motivation:** If you ever feel down or depressed, he always knows exactly what to say. His words can turn a kitten into a lion.
9. **Professor Papa:** He is a river of knowledge and is always picking your brain or always trying to teach you something new. He is smart and witty. He shares wisdom with every word and knowledge with every story. When you finish a conversation with him, you feel like you obtained a college degree.

After either the awards are all used up or the volunteers stop coming up, transition to the presentation below

It is great to find these amazing qualities in our earthly dads, they have been our source of strength and have come through for us when we needed them.

In spite of their dedication to our well being, our earthly dads are limited by the fact that they are human. And as dependable as they can be, they cannot be everywhere at anytime. Therefore is is comforting to know that we have a Dad that qualifies for all of the awards that were given out today.
That father is our heavenly Father, God, Jehovah, Abba Father, Dad, Daddy, Pappa or insert your personal name for a loving father.

- For his work in **Psalm 46:1-2,** We award him **Very Present Help:** God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. **2** Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;
- For his role in **Hebrews 4:14-16,** We award him **Priestly Pop: 14** Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. **15** For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. **16** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
- For his work in **Psalm 91:3,** We award him **Dad the Exterminator:** Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. For his role in **Psalm 30:11,** We award him **Dad of Laughter:** Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;
- For his work in **Matthew 4:23,** We award him **Doctor Dad, the medicine man:** And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
- For his role in **Psalm 34:15,** We award him **Lord Listener:** The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry
- For his Word in **2 Timothy 3:16,** We award him **Counsel King:** All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

- For his promise in **James 1:5,** We award him **Professor Papa:** If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
- For his role in **Isaiah 40:28-31,** We award him **Man of Motivation: 28** Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. **29** He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. **30** Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: **31** But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

He is truly the greatest father of all, and we are blessed to be his children and he has promised to bless and protect us. Just like any father, all he asks is that we remain obedient to his word. He has our best interest at heart, and he is the best father a child could ever have.

VESPER SERVICE ***[10 minutes]***
CHARGE
CLOSING SONG
PRAYER
DEPARTURE SONG ***[1 minute]***:
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AWARDS LISTED BELOW, Print as required:


He is the
VERY
PRESENT HELP
DAD AWARDS


He is the
PRIESTLY
POP
DAD AWARDS


He is the
DAD THE
EXTERMINATOR
DAD AWARDS


He is the
DAD OF
LAUGHTER
DAD AWARDS


He is the
DOCTOR DAD THE MEDICINE MAN
DAD AWARDS


He is the
LORD LISTENER
DAD AWARDS


He is the
COUNSEL
KING
DAD AWARDS


He is the
PROFESSOR
PAPA
DAD AWARDS



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Am in love with this, I must do it for our church this year. Thank you for this

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Vereta Rodney - Shaw (not verified), Jun 19 2020 - 11:17am
Thanks for the information, it is very informative ,i wish all dad a happy fathers dad.

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Vincent Cagadas (not verified), Jun 17 2021 - 8:39pm
Thank you so much for this very wonderful materials sir and maam. May God bless you more to inspire others to serve Him.

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Thandazwa Mabayi (not verified), Jun 18 2021 - 6:08am
Thank you this is interested you gave us ideas that I never thought of them

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Augustine Armstrong (not verified), Jun 18 2021 - 9:10am
This is a very good presentation.

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Chipo Mabamba (not verified), Jun 19 2021 - 12:17am
Sabbath School is always creative and exciting with your ideas ...thank you so much?

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Marjorie S. Requerme (not verified), Jun 20 2021 - 6:14am
Thanks a lot for sharing with your creative & interested program. It will help us.May God bless us all?

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Julie Dalligos (not verified), Jun 22 2021 - 4:01am
This material is nice, I wish to suggest it for this Father's day month but we'll do it next month perhaps

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Loyce Pabulu (not verified), Jun 27 2021 - 6:25pm

Thanks for sharing the creative and interested program. It will be helpful in both our Sabbath School and AY program. Thank God for the wisdom

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Letecia Jackson (not verified), Jun 16 2023 - 10:12pm
Very good program

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Vincent Marcus (not verified), Jun 17 2023 - 11:02am
This is incredible and commendable. I will surely carry out the program in my churches. Thank you very much for sharing the information

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Anonymous (not verified), Jun 18 2023 - 12:40am
I admire this presentation, so fitting for fathers day program. Thank for sharing the information ?

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Dean morgan (not verified), Jul 20 2024 - 7:46am
Thanks for all the programmes..I use them in sabbath school very inspiring..I am asking you kindly to send me the bible study..Seems i lost it..i try to save all the programmes.Cant find this one..its the one that have a outline of topics and scriptures..I really would love to get it back..Thank you very much..

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