



## SPECIAL ATTENDANCE EVENTS

### SUNDAYS WHICH SHOULD DRAW GOOD ATTENDANCE

This partial list demonstrates how events should be categorized. Each category should be given priority at some point in the church year. Purposeful planning is the key!

1. Because of family emphasis.
  - a. Easter – everyone comes
  - b. Christmas- everyone comes
  - c. Mother’s day - everyone comes for mom
  - d. Senior adult day – Do in July; Have a singing group in the PM service, grandparents are honored by having all children present
  - e. Family Sunday – do in November
  - f. Homecoming – everyone likes to eat their favorite foods
  - g. Vacation Bible school programs – everyone likes to show off their kids
  
2. Because of challenge emphasis –
  - a. Beat the clock Sunday – can you do it? First Sunday of April
  - b. Roundup Sunday – first Sunday after LABOR DAY, need a draw for kids to get parents back from summer, maybe a ventriloquist
  - c. The promotion Sunday – promote students to the next class, probably the first Sunday in September, the week before roundup
  - d. New class Sunday-begin a new adult class
  - e. Substitute Sunday – use substitute teachers, musicians etc.
  - f. Class recognition – recognize individual classes
  - g. 200 Sunday – Set a goal for the entire Sunday school
  
3. Because of activity emphasis –
  - a. Homebound Sunday and Homebound Week

- b. 10 precious blessings Sunday - each person makes a list for the altar
  - c. Oldest Bible Sunday – award to the one with the oldest Bible
  - d. Scripture Sunday – everyone brings their favorite scripture. Have some share this scripture in the morning service, allow all (if size permits) to share their verse in the evening service.
  - e. Chapter Sunday – each person writes a review like a diary of the preceding year. Allow some to share their chapter in the services. Also, have someone write a review of the preceding church year.
  - f. No Excuse Sunday – cots for a sleep-in, medicine for the excuse of headaches; sing “Excuses and act out during the worship service
  - g. Old-fashioned Sunday
4. Because of special emphasis –
- a. Second Coming Sunday – Feb or March.
  - b. Famous preacher’s day – time change in October
  - c. Patriotic Service – July
  - d. 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Day – celebrate church’s anniversary
  - e. Back to school Sunday – August. Provide school gifts for the children
  - f. Graduation day – late May
  - g. AWANA Day.
  - h. Teacher appreciation day – first Sunday of the year. Honor the teacher with the largest % increase in attendance from the past year.
  - i. Double your tithe Sunday – May. Maybe match someone’s weight in dollar bills. Or coins.
  - j. New member Sunday – second Sunday in January. Recognize new members with an evening reception