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## INDONESIAN A.C.E. Newsletter



ATIONAL ENTERPRISES

What Every Educator and Supervisor Should Know.

## Called to Christian Education

The A.C.E. Manual recommends that Schools recruit staff who are seeking a ministry, and not those seeking for a job.

It is equally important that those who are called to the ministry of Christian Education in A.C.E. be adequately equipped. This way, we can present ourselves worthy of the calling our Father has called us to.

If we have the mindset to be professional, knowledgeable and competent in our ministry, together with faith rooted in the Word, there will be no mountains too high to climb.

'It is the Lord Christ whom you serve' Col 3:23





## Equipped in the Ministry of Christian Education

If we are called to a ministry, we need to prepare ourselves, as it is the Lord that we serve. Similarly, Supervisors need to be equipped to be effective in the ministry of Christian Education in A.C.E. Anything less will mean that we have not given our best.

This Newsletter identifies the skills and knowledge Principals and Supervisors need to have in educating children. We need to aim to be professional Christian educators for the Lord to sow rightly and effectively into the lives of our children.

#### Forthcoming A.C.E. Events

A.C.E. Professional Training

6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2014 Venue: Beacon Light Community School, BSD, Serpong 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2014 Venue: Hagios School of Life, Jogjakarta Indonesian Student Convention 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Venue: Camp David, Puncak, Bogor



#### A.C.E. Concepts

Supervisors need to go beyond the Procedures Manual and understand the concepts of A.C.E. The Five Laws of Learning, Mastery Learning, critical thinking skills and how the components of A.C.E. interact to bring about the learning outcomes.

#### **Developing Character**

One of the keys of the A.C.E. program is to develop students' character. Since education is about children and their character, educators need to understand the psychology of children, the different phases of growth, and knowledge and skills in raising children.

A.C.E. aims to develop the whole child. That includes developing children's emotions, beliefs and discipline or self-control.

Educators are not academics, but they are people who raise godly men and women.

# Prerequisite Knowledge & Skills of A.C.E. Educators

Below identifies the repertoire of skills and knowledge educators of A.C.E. need in order to be effective operators of the A.C.E. program.

### A.C.E. Procedures & Tools

The Supervisor's Record Card (next page) lists the A.C.E. procedures, tools, concepts and documents that every Principal and Supervisor needs to know and be competent with.

#### A.C.E. 'Why'

A.C.E. educators need to know the 'Why' regarding the A.C.E. procedures, tools and documents are designed for. This distinguishes the staff who are mere operators of the A.C.E. program from the educators who know what Christian Education and A.C.E. is all about.



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#### Supervisor's Score Card

#### What Every Supervisor Should Know



#### A.C.E. Procedures

- Diagnostic Testing
- Flags Procedure
- Scoring Procedure
- Supervisor Signature
- > Testing Procedure :
  - o Checkup
  - $\circ \quad Self\,Test$
  - PACE Test
  - o (Re Test)
- Security of Score Keys
- Student's Academic Balance
- Scoring & Assessment
   Standards
- School Self Assessment
- Parent Orientation
- Learning to Speak English

#### A.C.E. Tools

Goal Card
Goal Check Report
Progress Chart
Merits and Demerits
Congratulations Slips
Privileges
Bible Awards
1000 Clubs

#### A.C.E. Concepts

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$\triangleright$	Mastery Learning	
$\succ$	Individualized Learning	
$\succ$	The Five Laws of Learning	
$\succ$	A.C.E. is a System	
$\succ$	What is Christian Education	
	Character Training (as against Teaching the Principles of Character)	
	Critical Thinking & Higher Order Thinking Skills	
$\triangleright$	Teaching the Whole Child	
$\triangleright$	Biblical World View	
$\succ$	Student Convention	
$\succ$	Best Practices	
	A.C.E. Components & Learning Outcomes	
<u>A.C.</u> ]	E. Documents	
$\succ$	Diagnostic Test	
$\succ$	Supervisor's Progress Card	
$\succ$	Permanent Record Card	
$\succ$	Student Progress Card	
≻	PACE Test	
≻	Transfer Credits Application	
>	Academic Projection Towards Graduation	

Supervisor's Record Card

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#### A.C.E. Components & Learning Outcomes

A.C.E. Learning Outcomes						
Academic Knowledge	Critical Thinking	Character Training	Biblical Values	Life Skill	A.C.E.	_
Knowledge & Inderstanding	Higher Order Thinking Skills	Character Principle	Biblical Principle		PACE	A.
Mastery Learning		Applying Character Principles & Correction	Applying Biblical Principles & Correction		A.C.E. System (Procedures & Tools)	A.C.E. Components
	Higher Order Thinking Skills	Character traits are applied and tested during Convention	Applying Biblical knowledge in Convention projects	Discover & Develop Student's Talents & Skills	Student Convention	nents

#### Indonesian A.C.E. Newsletter (www.ace-indonesia.com)

Volume 1	Theme
No. 1	An Introduction to Christian Education and A.C.E.
No. 2	Character Cannot Be Taught. Instead, Character Training is Embedded Within A.C.E.
No. 3	A.C.E. Is More Than Just PACEs. Student Convention Is an Integral Part.
No. 4	Critical Thinking Skills Through Higher Order Thinking Skills
No. 5	A.C.E. is a Program with Tools and Procedures
No. 6	Transition Towards ICCE
No. 7	The Extremes of Parenting and Training a Child Early

The purpose of these Newsletters is to disseminate training material to educators, parents, teachers and pastors so they can know the issues facing Christian Education. These newsletters show how A.C.E. has been designed to provide the Biblical and character training for our children that the Lord has commanded in Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

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## Education is not merely Academic

Educators need to go beyond the academics of subject matter. Educators need to balance between skills and knowledge of Subject Matter (such as Science and Mathematics), and also be equally knowledgeable about raising children the Biblical way.

#### Raising Children in the Biblical way

Indonesia generally does not have good family models. We tend to be weak in our knowledge of how to raise children, even less in a Biblical way.

#### Eating by Walking Around

One of the jargon from Business Schools is Management By Walking Around (MBWA). In the same analogy, in Indonesia, the culture of young children eating by walking around is a common phenomenon.

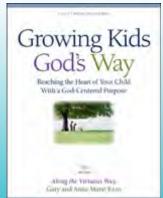
Parents generally think of their children's stomach, to ensure that they do not get hungry,

even at the cost of the 'baby sitter' having to entertain the child as he walks and plays while having his meal. These same parents tend not to be aware of the discipline of eating while sitting down.

The Western world is a totally different setting. Children generally sit down when they eat even from toddler onwards. Parents will never think of them walking around while having their meals. This is almost unheard of in these countries.

Our educators therefore need to understand the issues of discipline and self-control. Without an adequate knowledge, children are brought up with lower self-discipline. They would not be as effective if they had been more disciplined.

'Discipline your son while there is hope, And do not desire his death.' Proverbs 19:18



*GROWING KIDS GOD'S WAY* is a comprehensive values-based parenting curriculum. In the title the authors, Gary and Anne Marie Ezzo, place their emphasis on God's Way meaning the way of the Lord. We serve an ethical God. Moral rightness flows from His being. His moral law is a reflection of His holy character (Psalm 19:7). More than that, He has shown man what is good and what is required of him (Micah 6:8).

*Growing Kids God's Way* can help any parent reach the heart of children with virtues and values that flow from the character of God and do it without stressing the child or the parents.

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## Suggested Materials for Educators

Below lists the materials that will equip educators in A.C.E. to benchmark against:

- A.C.E Supervisor's Score Card lists the knowledge, skills and concepts Supervisor needs to know
- A.C.E. Components & Learning Outcome how the A.C.E. components bring about the Students' Learning Outcomes
- Indonesian A.C.E. Newsletter explains the WHY behind the A.C.E. procedures, tools and concepts.
- Character Development Many parenting programs teach about children's psychology and how to raise them. One of these is *Growing Kids God's Way* by Gary Ezzo of Growing Family International (USA).



## Growing Kids God's Way Or Child Wise

Education is LIFE! Education is not merely academic. Therefore Christian educators need to be more than just mere teachers of subject matter. They are also educators of souls and spirits. It is equally important to impart spiritual truths to them since:

'God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.' John 4:24.

Yet at the same time,

'Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline' says the Lord in Rev. 3:19.

'Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of discipline will remove it far from him.' Proverbs 22:15.

And so, educators need to know WHY discipline is necessary and WHY, without it, foolishness is bound in the heart of a child. While there are many Parenting books, *Growing Kids God's Way* or *Child Wise* (the version for the general public) teaches not only the principles of discipline, but also teaches the practical aspect of discipline. Some of the topics in this book are:

- ➢ The Father's Mandate
- Character Development
- Principles of Obedience
- Discipline with Encouragement
- Discipline with Correction
- Consequences of Punishment
- Repentance, Forgiveness and Restoration
- Discipline Issues