

SKYBOUND

Soaring with God



SKYBOUND VBS 2026 • MISSION COMPLETE

THE FAMILY FLIGHT PLAN

Five days. Five minutes a night. One crew.

Your cadets spent four days at Skybound Flight Academy learning to navigate by God's Word. This flight plan keeps the mission going at home: one short devotional each night, Monday through Friday. Read the story beat, read the verse out loud, ask the questions, fly the mini mission, and pray together. That's it. Five minutes, at dinner or bedtime, and the whole crew flies together.

THIS WEEK'S HEADINGS

- MON** God's Word shows me where to go.
- TUE** God is always with me.
- WED** God has a plan for me.
- THU** Jesus gives me a purpose.
- FRI** The Captain's Debrief, with the whole crew.

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THE LAMP IN THE FOG

NAV-POINT God's Word shows me where to go.

RE-LIVE IT • 1 minute

Ask your cadet to tell you about the Fog Blaster 5000. Trust us. Tango "improved" the engine, filled the whole hangar with fog, and nobody could see the runway. And Skye packed a spare propeller, a fifty pound magnet, and a rubber chicken for emergency morale, but forgot the one thing the crew needed: the Captain's Flight Manual. She'd been using hers to prop up a wobbly bunk bed. The crew learned that pilots don't find the runway by packing more gear. They find it by opening the Manual. God's Word is how we see where to go.

READ IT OUT LOUD TWICE, THEN HAVE YOUR CADET READ IT • 1 MINUTE

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

Psalm 119:105 (NIV)

TALK IT THROUGH • 2 minutes

- 1 Why couldn't the crew fly without the Flight Manual?
- 2 What kinds of things does the Bible help us see clearly?
- 3 Parents, your turn: tell your cadet about a time God's Word showed you what to do.

FLY IT • 30 seconds

Put a flashlight by your cadet's bed tonight. Every night this week, when it clicks on, say the verse together. Lamp, light, path.

PRAY TOGETHER • 30 seconds

God, thank you for giving us your Word. When we don't know which way to go, help our family look there first. Amen.

FLIGHT LOG • DRAW OR WRITE WHAT YOUR CREW TALKED ABOUT

PEACE IN THE STORM

NAV-POINT **God is always with me.**

RE-LIVE IT • 1 minute

Turbulence made a 412 item Checklist of Doom to keep the crew safe from every possible disaster. Then the storm came anyway, and no checklist could stop it. Skye tried to hold the plane down with her own two hands and ran out of strength for the first time in her life. And then Captain Jett walked straight through the lightning, sat down on the floor next to Turbulence, and read her God's promise. He didn't promise the storm would disappear. He promised something better: I am with you. Right here. In the storm. On the floor. In the mess.

READ IT OUT LOUD TWICE, THEN HAVE YOUR CADET READ IT • 1 MINUTE

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

TALK IT THROUGH • 2 minutes

- 1 Turbulence thought her checklist could keep her safe. What happened instead?
- 2 What feels like a storm to you right now? School, friends, something else?
- 3 Parents, your turn: tell your cadet about a storm where you knew God was with you.

FLY IT • 30 seconds

The next time something feels scary this week, stop and say today's Nav-Point out loud together: God is always with me.

PRAY TOGETHER • 30 seconds

God, thank you that we never face a storm alone. When we're scared, remind us that you're right there with us. Amen.

FLIGHT LOG • DRAW OR WRITE WHAT YOUR CREW TALKED ABOUT

THE MASTER'S FLIGHT PLAN

NAV-POINT **God has a plan for me.**

RE-LIVE IT • 1 minute

This was the hard day. Everything Tango built kept breaking, and he decided the crew would be better off without him. He almost walked away for good. Then Captain Jett stood beside him and told him a secret: the Captain used to crash too. God didn't make a mistake when he gave Tango that wild, creative brain. The problem was the blueprint. Tango had been trying to be his own plan, and nobody is built for that. Even Turbulence got it by the end. She folded her giant checklist down to two items: Item one, trust the Captain. Item two, see item one.

READ IT OUT LOUD TWICE, THEN HAVE YOUR CADET READ IT • 1 MINUTE

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.*

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

TALK IT THROUGH • 2 minutes

- 1 Why did Tango want to quit the crew? What changed his mind?
- 2 What's something you're good at? How do you think God could use it?
- 3 Everyone answers this one: what would you try if you trusted God with the plan?

FLY IT • 30 seconds

Grab paper and crayons and have your cadet draw a blueprint of something they'd build for God. Stick it on the fridge next to the verse.

PRAY TOGETHER • 30 seconds

God, you made each of us on purpose, and you have a plan for each of us. Help us trust your blueprint more than our own. Amen.

FLIGHT LOG • DRAW OR WRITE WHAT YOUR CREW TALKED ABOUT

FINAL APPROACH

NAV-POINT Jesus gives me a purpose.

RE-LIVE IT • 1 minute

On the last day, the crew flew the mission without Captain Jett in the cockpit. The navigation failed, the pressure was on, and Tango rolled out one final invention: the Launchpad. No duct tape. No googly eyes. Built from one promise, with the reference painted right on the front: Philippians 1:6. And it worked. Bubbles everywhere, lights blazing, MISSION COMPLETE on the flight board. Captain Jett's last words to the cadets were the whole point of the week: God isn't done with you. He began a good work in you, and he doesn't give up halfway.

READ IT OUT LOUD TWICE, THEN HAVE YOUR CADET READ IT • 1 MINUTE

being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

TALK IT THROUGH • 2 minutes

- 1 How was the Launchpad different from the Fog Blaster 5000?
- 2 What good work do you think God has started in you?
- 3 Parents, your turn: share something God has been growing in you for a long time.

FLY IT • 30 seconds

Catch your cadet doing something kind this week, and tell them exactly this: that's the good work God started in you.

PRAY TOGETHER • 30 seconds

Jesus, thank you for starting a good work in each of us. Keep growing us until it's complete. Amen.

FLIGHT LOG • DRAW OR WRITE WHAT YOUR CREW TALKED ABOUT

THE CAPTAIN'S DEBRIEF

NAV-POINT Fly the week's Nav-Points together, as a crew.

RE-LIVE IT • 1 minute

End the week the way every Skybound morning ended: with the whole crew together. Before the final flight, each cadet stood up and said what the week taught them. Turbulence: "I held my checklist so tight my knuckles turned white. Turns out, the best plan is trusting the Planner." Skye: "I carried fifty pounds of gear because I was afraid I wasn't enough. Turns out, the only thing worth carrying weighs about two pounds." Tango: "I built a hundred things that broke. But when I built from the right blueprint, it flew."

THE FOUR NAV-POINTS • SAY THEM TOGETHER • 1 MINUTE

DAY 1	God's Word shows me where to go.	Psalms 119:105
DAY 2	God is always with me.	Isaiah 41:10
DAY 3	God has a plan for me.	Proverbs 3:5-6
DAY 4	Jesus gives me a purpose.	Philippians 1:6

TALK IT THROUGH • 2 minutes

- 1 Which crew member are you most like: Turbulence, Skye, or Tango? Why?
- 2 Which of the four Nav-Points do you most need to remember this summer?
- 3 What's one way our family can keep flying together after this week?

FLY IT • 30 seconds

Come fly with the whole academy on Sunday. Services are at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 AM, all identical. New Hope Kids meets during the 9:30 and 11:00 services in the Children's Building, and junior high and high school students meet at 11:00 in the Bridge. Details at newhopechurch.net/visit

PRAY TOGETHER • 30 seconds

God, thank you for Skybound week and for everything you taught our crew. Keep us in your Word, keep us close to you, and keep us soaring. Amen.

One last time, ask the question your cadets heard every single morning: Cadets, what's our heading? You already know the answer. Soaring.