Many people would be surprised to see how very little actual "schooltime" our children have had.

It's only honest to explain here that we have not had a daily routine school schedule or class-time-teaching for about the last 1-1/2 years during the Pub's push & our moves. I definitely feel, as probably many other Family mamas do, that I have not given the kids enough class-time schooling & practice in the 3 R's or especially the 3 G's. They have had quite a bit of training in practical skills & household duties daily, such as laundry, cooking (helpers), dishwashing, cleaning & baby care & handyman, & mostly the Word!

But TTL the children have learned to school themselves! Our saving grace is that the children all learned to read at a fairly young age (David at 2, Techi at 4 & Davlda at 5) & have thus kept themselves busy & progressing by daily reading assignments in the Word primarily, as well as more recently in Science, Social Studies, History, Biology & on completing their graded Math workbooks. No matter how busy I get, or how often we move, etc., the kids remain faithful & willing, GTL, to complete their daily house duties as well as school themselves by reading through different Family Word pubs & assignments I give them in the 3 R's & 3 G's. TTL if it weren't for their being able to read well on their own, they would not have been as challenged nor enjoyed learning & progressing in hardly any area & would've most likely become bored & more of a behavioral problem than a blessing.

Since the Pub's push has slowed down, we began a new school schedule the month of August. The children have four adult teachers—Myself mostly in the 3 R's & the Word, Science & Social Studies, plus I also schedule the kids to do different school assignments & typing while I'm working. I cook dinner with the children on Wednesday night. Dora teaches two hours a week of Geography. She has just completed teaching the children a full course in Biology, using mostly the FC School Days Book as her textbook, & the kids completed a nice biology notebook. I teach Math two hours weekly to Davlda & Techi, & Spanish or dance class one hour a week. We also teach the older children World History two hours weekly, using a secular textbook; also advanced Math to the older children two hours weekly using a secular textbook & workbook. We've already completed division, fractions & decimals with the older children & are now studying Geometry & percentages.

All watches the children's educational videos with them, explaining to them the various terms & all & directs house & room clean-up duties with them. We also teach WND to the older children, including Davlda, one hour a week. The girls just completed a sewing course & made their own aprons from scratch by hand, which took them about 2-1/2 months to complete in a one-hour night-time class each week & hope will take this sewing class now. Of course the kids were learning a great deal in their house duties & jobs over this long period of time & were overseen in the kitchen by Dora or myself. David gets quite a bit of handyman training with his wonderful Grandpa on a very regular basis, as well as his gardening responsibilities daily in the yard.

The following is a list of what Word projects the children have read & are reading, beginning with the simpler, yet mandatory assignments that even 6 1/2-year-old Techi can read well, on up to the more advanced pubs, ie., GN & WND, which can be given in "assignments" or portions regularly, depending on the child's age & reading comprehension & level.

Even our two teens make sure to read the most basic Word, ie., "Life with Grandpa", which is full of good important lessons! (And the adults should read it too!) The older kids write, type or dictate or tape their reactions or lessons learned from the Word, or I discuss it with them to see what they've learned, & sometimes we have a fun quiz or test.

This list has helped us to make sure that each child has sufficiently covered the basics & is also keeping up with the newest. They're never without a good Word project, I all have a special two hours scheduled after lunch to lie down & rest while reading & studying their Word daily, after first reviewing their daily memory verses together. The younger ones nap too during this time for about 1-1/2 hours, but all the children have another 30 minutes of Word time before bed at night. If no teacher is available for class-time during the day, the read "school" assignments too! I alternate the assignments at times, so that they read KTK 3, then a certain portion from the "Rhyme Book", then KTK 4, for example.

Of course, this list can expand...
other good projects, i.e., GN books (whole or portions assigned), Kidz TK & Pubs Index for theme studies (In Puduex), Pubdex Themes-specific ML's assigned by category, specially chosen parts of FSM, Ditto & Techl chapters on teaching tips, etc., but we do closely oversee each child's reading project & they do not read pubs without permission. Try It! It's been a great blessing to our kids here & ensures that they grow & feed daily in the word! PTL.

"The greatest thing that each new generation of God's children has to learn for itself is to follow God & hear from Him fresh every day!"

OLDER CHILDREN & TEENS' WORD & READING ASSIGNMENTS

1. Kidz True Komix 1, 2, 3, 4
2. Life with Grandpa 1, 2, 3, 4
3. Kidz Map 1, 2
4. Kidz Picture Book of the Future
5. Rhyme Book (or portions at a time)
6. Thrilling Pictures of the Future
7. Picture Story of a Spaceship
8. Back to the Basics (or Green Basic Book)
9. Daily Might 1, 2 (whole or in parts)
11. Growing in Love!
12. Growing in Faith!
14. Daily Bread 1, 2, 3
15. Bible in Pictures (w/o quiz questions)
16. Book of Remembrance 1, 2
17. Book of the Future
18. The MP 1, 2
19. GN's (parts assigned regularly)
20. WND (parts assigned regularly)
21. Thoughts Book of Anecdotes
22. "Daily Food" GP Booklets


FROM FC "SCHOOL DAYS" BOOKS
Train Up a Child—Childcare
Creation Is a Fact!—Evolution
7000 Years of World History
Prophecies & Prophets, David
ASSIGNMENTS FOR SCHOOLING & MINISTRIES
"School Days" Books In Spelling, Math, 3 G's, Practical Life, Drama, etc.
Encyclopedia, Reference Books
Heavenly Helpers 3, "7 Courses of the East"
"How to Get Things Done"—Touch Typing, Shorthand, Speed Reading, Memory, etc.
"How To Love"—assignments

DAD ON "HIDING THE WORD IN YOUR HEART"

1. Do the children all know the most important Psalms by heart? They're going to need them, I need them too. I have to refresh my memory because that's all the Word we're going to have. Only what we have in our hearts, that's all we're going to have is what we have in our hearts & our minds. And we'll have to keep quoting them like John 1, John 3, John 5, John 14 & Revelation 3 about the Key of David.

2. (Maria: You're talking about the Scriptures of comfort, right?) Especially everything we need at present. All we'll have is what we have in here in our hearts. (Maria: We won't have what's written in the MD Letters?) Oh no no, of course not. They won't let you take MD Letters to prison, only what you remember in your head & heart, that's all you'll have. You'll only have what you have inside, that's all, nothing outside.

3. That's all I have already in the night like this when I wake up, besides praying in tongues. All I have to fight the Enemy is the Scriptures that I have memorized. That's all you'll have is the weapon you already have In your hand. That's all you'll have. That's all I have at night. I just keep going over those Scriptures & praying in tongues. (Maria: That's kept you going, right?)

4. At night I'm already in prison & I'm alone & I fight the forces of darkness alone with the Lord & His Word, that's all I have & I just have to pray & quote Scripture & pray in tongues against the Enemy who tries to overwhelm me at night when I'm alone & you're all sleeping. But thank the Lord He never fails, TYJ. He always helps me through. XXXX! TYJ! In Jesus' name, amen.

5. Our children must know the Scriptures so they can quote them when they're in trouble & when that's all they have is what they've already hidden in their hearts. That they can't take away from you, it's hidden in your hearts. They can't take it away. It's a bulwark, a defence against the voice of the Enemy. XXXXXX! TYJ! In Jesus' name. I couldn't survive these nights without It. TYJ!