Joseph Rules in Egypt – Sunday 6th November

Years 3 & 4

<u>Aim</u> To illustrate the importance of following God's commandments and being an ambassador of Christ

Reference Genesis 39-46

Resources

- Paper/cardboard for board game base
- Counters/markers for players to advance on the board
- Chance cards
- Dice
- Enthusiasm

Activity

A Game of Chance

- 1. The class is divided into teams which all play on one board.
- 2. Players are to start off like any other board game.
- 3. Random squares are assigned "Question Marks". If landed on, players must draw a chance card from the pile.
- 4. Chance cards will have various questions the children must answer. These questions are based around the story of Joseph as well as recent events.
- 5. The game ends once the first team reaches the end of the board.

NB: Questions are attached on the next page.

Conclusion

We all know the story of Joseph: A Jew who excelled in a foreign land because of his faith and obedience in God. Others recognised that he was different and in spite of this, the Egyptians elevated him – eventually Pharaoh made him second in charge over Egypt and gave him his ring and chariot. In more recent times despite the violence against Christians, interviews with some Muslims have shed light on the issues that what has been reported in news

bulletins is simply not true. Muslims respect Christians and are willing to speak the truth about the underlying morals and values of their Christian acquaintances.

Reflection

Being a Christian is not just a title and it is essential that our behaviour and actions show Christ-like qualities. There are countless examples in the Good Book as well as in recent times to follow.

| Why did Potiphar trust Joseph? | Why did Pharaoh find out the meanings of his dreams from a prisoner? | Why was Pope Kyrollos VI so respected by the President of Egypt? |
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| Why did Joseph succeed? | Is it possible for non-Christians to see God's works through Christians? How? | Why did Christians have such important positions in Egypt before Abdel Nasser took over? |
| What made the jailor put Joseph on charge of the prisoners? | What made Mubarak give the Copts a small measure of protection? | What qualities did Pharaoh see in Joseph to make him second in charge of Egypt and in charge of preparing the country for the famine? |