

Merit Requirements: Red-Bordered Merit

## **FAMILY LIFE**

Note: This merit or the God and Family Award is required to earn the Gold Medal of Achievement.

- 1. Write the answers to the following questions:
  - a. What is a family?
  - b. How are the family members affected if one of the members is sick?
  - c. How are the family members affected if one of the members leaves?
  - d. How are the family members affected if one of the members has received an award?
  - e. How are the family members affected if one of the members is angry?
  - f. How are the family members affected if one of the members fights with another family member?
- 2. Read Luke 2:41-52. Then write the answers to the following questions:
  - a. Why were Mary and Joseph worried about Jesus?
  - b. When Jesus went back to Nazareth with Mary and Joseph, what did he do?
  - c. Why was that important?
- 3. Explain why it is important to have rules in a family.
- 4. Read Luke 15:11-32. Then write the answers to the following questions:
  - a. Why is it so hard to forgive?
  - b. Why did the father forgive the son?
  - c. Why didn't the older brother forgive?
  - d. Why is forgiveness important in a family?
- 5. Make a list of home duties or chores (at least five) and do them for five weeks. Keep a record of how often you do each of them.
- 6. Do the following:
  - a. List the steps to planning and having a family discussion.
  - b. Plan and carry out a family discussion on TWO of the following subjects:
    - i.) How to avoid the use of drugs and drug abuse
    - ii.) Understanding the growing-up process
    - iii.) Personal and family finances
    - iv.) The wise selection of friends
- 7. Plan and carry out a project that involves the participation of your family. Use the family discussion outline to decide what project the family will work on together. After carrying out the project, write a one-page report that includes the following information:
  - a. The objective or goal of the project
  - b. How individual members of your family participated
  - c. The results of the project
- 8. List ten reasons why you are important to your family.