



**A Sally Cell Phone Kit is a simple-to-make missionary tool that includes stories for promoting missions in the minds of preteen and up girls.**

**It further reminds us to responsibly use of technology in honoring God.**

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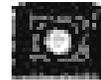
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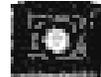


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## Introduction

This simple kit is designed for preteen girls and above. Its purpose is to build an awareness and excitement for missions that can be used in our own back yard. Its small lessons also plant principles of responsibility in using a real cell phone.

The cardboard cell phone is a homemade object that becomes a teaching tool for use by almost anyone. Not only is it a teaching tool, but a product that youth can manufacture and send to other 'backyard missionaries.' Sally Cell Phone is also a bridge between the technology savvy youth, but their grandparents too.

Safety should be supervised by adults as the thick cardboard is cut.

The full **Cookie Jar Granny and the Giveaway Cell Phones** plus more ideas are available at [www.wsprog.com](http://www.wsprog.com)

## Sally Cell Phone

With great excitement, Emilee, Dede, Barbara, and Candy were shown by Granny how to cut pictures of cell phones from newspapers and magazines and then paste them on small pieces of cardboard. The cardboard would be folded in half like most cell phones and a paper clip became an antenna. Pictures of small batteries and camera lens were glued on the back.

Granny told the girls, "Congratulations girls. You've each just made a valuable Sally Cell Phone. Let me illustrate why they're valuable even though you've made them from cardboard and newspapers.



## Cell Phone Batteries

Lucy (that's Granny) picked up a Sally Cell Phone and pointed at the batteries on the back side. "What are the batteries for?" she asked the girls. Some of her other questions were:

- What happens when they run down?
- How/when do you charge them up?
- Have you seen the charge indicator?

She told the girls:

- Batteries, when replaced, must be the right size and shape or they won't fit the opening designed for them.
- They must be recharged in the right way with great attention. It can't be rushed.
- The charge indicator must be given attention at least every day

With good eye contact Granny then told the girls God has given each of us a charge indicator. It's really more of a 'spiritual charge' indicator. But it's better than an electronic cell phone one. Our charge indicator is our actions and attitudes each day. If our spiritual batteries are low and need to be recharged, we can tell by our getting:

- Angry,

- afraid,
- have thoughts not pleasing to God,
- we're not respectful to others
- ..... what other ways can you think of?

Other lessons with Sally Cell Phones are included at the end of this book.

## The Cell Phone Giveaways

A few days later the girls returned to Granny's house hopefully to learn another Sally Cell Phone lesson they'd be able to share.

But there was a problem...

After all were seated at the dining room table and the girls had finished their apple juice and pretzel, Granny noticed something was wrong – something was missing. Sitting in the front of Emilee, Dede, and Candy Cane were their cell phones – but not in front of Barbara the pretty African-American 8 year old.

The other girls listened as Barbara explained to Granny why she didn't have hers.

"No Granny. I certainly wouldn't throw it away or let it get damaged. But I showed it to my friend Marsha and her eyes lit up like a piece of cake was set in front of her. Well, Marsha asked me if she could borrow it for church next Sunday for show and tell. See Granny, when Marsha told me her Sunday school didn't have any books to study from I just had to send my Sally Cell Phone with her. Besides, I can make another one."

It wasn't two minutes before Emilee and Dede excitedly told Barbara they'd help her make another one.

### But then came the bombshell...

Candy told the girls "Hey! Wait a minute! I know someone I'd like to share my Sally Cell Phone with. I'm tellin' ya gang – we'd better make several extras." As the girls enthusiastically discussed others they could make phones for, Granny went to the back bedroom and set on the edge of the bed.

She blew her nose to hold back the tears and asked, "God what have you done? Have you turned a piece of cardboard, newspaper, and paperclip into a missionary – a missionary's tool? God have you lit a fire for missions in the hearts of some young ladies that overshadowed challenges of their own?"

Still seated on the bed her eyes rested on a photograph of her beloved husband, Ernie. "Oh Ernie, I hope you're seeing from heaven's window how cardboard, and a cookie jar have brought Christ to the midst of the girls and made me so alive."

Almost like a voice speaking in Granny's ear, she heard a tender heaven-sent voice saying, "Granny, just as sure as these nail prints are here in my hands, Ernie and I both rejoice in you sewing seeds of hope and happiness in My name." In Ernie's tone, Lucy's heart heard, "...and **don't forget to water!**"

End.

## **Others Lessons for Sally Cell Phones:**

### **Making a Connection**

“Can ya hear me now?” is a well known question in a cell phone commercial. Just like remote controls for TV’s etc, you can easily be in a “bad place” where communication is not good. Cell Phones don’t work well inside metal buildings or if the cell tower is too far away. Some times the tower is too busy with so many others trying to communicate with the tower and their friends beyond.

This communication with the tower is so often a problem that a gauge is on the front of the phone. It looks like an upside-down coat hanger with some little dots above it. The more dots – the better the communication is.

I wonder how many dots Joseph would have seen when his brothers threw him down a well because of their jealousy of him? Do you suppose Jonah would have had any dots on a cell phone when he was in the belly of the whale?

The Bible is just bursting with examples of God hearing the cry for help from people like you and I. We should thank God every day that He hears us when we call out to Him. Even if we’ve gotten a long ways away from loving Him, He still hears our prayer to forgive our sinful ways and lead us to live closer to Him.

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### **Calendar**

If Sally Cell Phone was a real person with a real heart, she’d be very proud of having a calendar to keep track of important things that are planned for. As times and dates are entered for ball games, birthdays, and all sorts of events are plugged into the calendar. Sally looks forward to someday soon being able to enter the date and time that her owner invites Jesus Christ into her heart and becomes saved. WOW! What a time and date to remember! There’s no other date more important to Sally Cell Phone’s owner than the date of her spiritual birthday.

The other time and date Sally wished she could enter in, is a reminder that Jesus is coming back to gather all those that have been saved by His blood, taking them to Heaven for Eternity.

Does the calendar in your cell phone and your actions prove you know the Savior is coming back VERY soon?

### **Terrible Timing**

Sally Cell Phone’s owner knew she only had 3 more minutes left before her cell phone time for this month would be used up.

While driving down an icy wintry road, a car was seen down in a deep ditch. The driver was standing beside the car with her cell phone held high in one hand. Knowing Sally’s owner was watching, the driver pointed at her own cell phone while shaking her head “no.” Evidentially the driver’s cell phone time had been completely used up. Sally’s owner also saw a couple small children sticking their heads out of the wrecked car.

Sally’s owner quickly called the police knowing her time was about to run out too.

As the police, wrecker and emergency trucks arrived, Sally's owner prayed to the Lord to begin using her cell phone time more wisely. She wanted to always be ready to give aid and comfort to those around her. That prayer included a thank you to Jesus Christ for giving us cell phones and that our actions would show our thankfulness. Sally cell phone was glad she was designed with timers inside her that helps her owner be a good steward of her time.

## **Text Messages Satan Hates**

Text messages are great for sending information to others that may be working in a noisy place and wouldn't be able to hear on Sally Cell Phone's little speaker. God has given us cell phones for all sorts of important uses and special needs of people.

Barry is one of many folks that are deaf but still thanks God for being able to send text messages from wherever he is. Barry's parents are missionaries and he just loves to send encouraging text messages like Bible proverbs to other missionaries. He often reminds them that God speaks so tenderly directly to our hearts but is fantastic at text messaging. His text messaging is found in the Bible.

Can you text message a friend with some of God's encouraging truths and promises?

## **Camera**

Our cell phone takes a picture of what we're looking at. Shapes and colors go into the camera besides our words. The pictures we take reveal where we are and maybe who we're with. The camera's pictures can say things that human words cannot.

But more importantly, if others used their camera to take a picture of us, what would they see? They'd see how we respect our own body. Clean clothes, sufficient and orderly.

Sin and Satan uses disorderliness in appearance as an indicator of who we identify with... sort of a human "birds of a feather".

Our appearance says an awful lot to others even before we open our mouth.

## **Microphone**

Planting seeds and watching them sprout, grow, and bare fruit or other resources are a wonder and joy to even the preschooler. It's the fun of seeing just a little effort and care become so valuable – certainly with God's help.

A cell phone microphone and our tongue are much the same way – maybe even more so. Our hearts and tongue decide what goes into the microphone and who it gets sent to. If we've said something that is a lie or tale bearing, there is no way to dig it back out of the microphone. So, we must weigh what we're going to say before we say it.

God has given us cell phones to principally obey the middle (and smallest) chapter in the Bible. Psalms 117 says we are to praise Him and also build up fellow Christians.

## **Speaker**

Cell phone speakers are super tiny and sometimes hard to understand.

Our phones would be pretty much useless if this tiny speaker didn't do its job right. The big problem with this tiny phone feature is that it doesn't care what it says in our ear. The speaker has no conscience, morals, or character. So it's our job as users to decide who we're going to connect to and for how long, among other things.

Maybe we can think of the cell phone speaker as a magic marker. This magic marker is writing on our brain whatever we choose. Kind of like a dry erase marker board. It's super important that we visualize that our ears as being PERMANENT markers. Whatever our cell phone speaker and ears write on our brain is most certainly PERMANENT, whether we think so at the time or not. So what do we listen to? How much should we let the cell phone speaker write on our brain? God's word clearly answers those questions for us every day. We need to study our operations manual (Bible) each day.

## Phone Numbers

Look at the keypad on a cell phone. Imagine how many different phone numbers there are. It would be possible for there to be BILLIONS. A phone book for some cities is so big and heavy only a strong adult can lift it, let alone carry one around for when you needed it.

1. To find a person's number you have to know how to read and also
2. know how to use a phone book. Then you have to
3. know how to correctly spell a person's name.
4. You'll have to be fast enough to type all the correct keys in the right order.

WOW! Using a little cell phone is not all that easy, especially for some silver-haired folks, it can get more complicated too.

Now if there is any emergency or you are scared or hurt, you may not even be able to correctly dial your cell phone. During these special times when you most need to call for help, you can't depend on your phone, or at least being able to reliably use it.

I remember a fella that didn't have a cell phone with him, phone book, or even his reading glasses. He was in the water just seconds from drowning. He easily called for help by just shouting "Lord save me!" Aren't you glad that you and I and Peter too, can simply call instantly upon God's care at any moment without any cell phone or other stuff?

Now is always a good time to thank Him for always listening for our words to Him in praise or problems we know He can handle.

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# Gospel Message Acrostic

Copy this page and cut out the squares. On the non-printed side of each, write the large capital letter you see on the printed side. What wonderful flash cards they make. What a wonderful message they bring.

Or,

Make two copies of this page and cut out the squares. Do not write anything on the non-printed side. Instead give them to your student to play the concentration game with their friends.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>G</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>God</b> loves you...</p> <p>No matter who you are, what you look like, where you live, what you've done, or how old you are.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>P</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Precious</b> Blood of Jesus Christ</p> <p>He shed His Blood willingly on the Cross to pay for the sins we do.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>O</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Only</b> way of salvation is through God's <b>Only</b> Son.</p> <p>Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation... learning of His wonderful Gift in the Bible</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>E</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Everlasting</b> Life</p> <p>Becoming a child of His begins when we invite Him into our heart and lasts forever.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>S</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sin</b> .... Doing things we know God doesn't like.</p> <p>I'm a sinner... you are a sinner, we are all born sinners, but God gave the Perfect Sacrifice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>L</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Let</b> Him in.</p>

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I'm a sinner and you're the only means of salvation. According to your promises in the Bible, come into my heart and save me forever. I want to be your child and use my life to please you.

