

Royal Ambassadors Frequently Asked Questions

What is Royal Ambassadors?

Royal Ambassadors® (RA®) is an organization for boys in grades 1-6 that helps them learn a biblical worldview with an emphasis on missions learning and missional living; develop leadership skills to serve God and to share God's love with others; and grow spiritually in their understanding of God and God's mission, including how they are a part of God's plan.

How do I start?

- Pray about the possibility of starting Royal Ambassadors.
- Starting an RA group requires boys, a leader, meeting time and place, RA curriculum, and a supportive pastor.
- Download detailed information and a sample unit at wmu.com/getstarted.

When and where do Royal Ambassadors meet?

RA groups usually meet once a week for an hour. The session plans are flexible, however, and can be adapted for longer or shorter time periods. Royal Ambassadors can take place at these times:

- During regular church activity times on Wednesday or Sunday
- During children's worship
- During special meetings or church activities
- On a weekday following school
- On Saturday mornings monthly for a 3-4 hour period

Royal Ambassadors can take place in many different settings, such as:

- in the church's children's classrooms,
- in an afterschool child-care program,
- in a school or community ministry center,
- at an association headquarters
- in a home
- in a park
- at a multi-housing ministry.

What resources do I need?

- **RA Leader** – This is your essential resource for leading a Royal Ambassadors organization. Each 48-page, bimonthly issue carries weekly missions-education lesson plans. One subscription per leader.
- **RA World** – This missions publication for Royal Ambassadors is packed with exciting activities, stories, and features. One subscription per boy.

- **RA Leader Kit** – Features essential posters to complement the units of study in *RA Leader*. One kit per group.

How do I get involved?

- Pray for the boys and leaders in RA.
- Invite boys you know to RA. Provide transportation, if needed.
- Make friends with parents of RA's who are not regularly involved in the church.
- Volunteer to chaperone RA events and mission action projects.
- Volunteer to coordinate Children's Ministry Day™ in your church.
- Involve your church in the State RA Race (James Byerly raracedaync@ncbaptist.org) each year and the RA Camporee (Jeff Cornwell racamporeenc@ncbaptist.org).

How can I receive training?

- For RA training in North Carolina, contact Larry McGlothlin at ratrainingnc@ncbaptist.org for details.
- Plan to participate in the RA Leadership Development each fall. Choose one of the two training opportunities, one in the east and one in the west. Find more information here: <http://baptistsonmission.org/church-programs/royal-ambassadors>
- National WMU offers training videos for RA leaders <http://www.wmu.com/?q=article/children-royal-ambassadors/ra-training-videos>.

What is WMU?

Visit [wmu.com](http://www.wmu.com) for more information.

Questions or concerns?

- **National WMU** – Contact RA@wmu.org.
- **RA events in North Carolina** – Contact Dollie Noa at dnoa@ncbaptist.org, 1.800.395.5102, ext. 5598 or <http://baptistsonmission.org/church-programs/royal-ambassadors>
- **To order resources** – Call WMU Customer Service at 1.800.968.7301 or visit wmu.com.