(New-)Arky-Arky Song & Skit!!!

NOTE!!! For each verse, ENTER on the CHORUS PRECEDING the verse.

The group enters the dining room one at a time in a ‘parade’ while singing;

the actors who are telling the ‘joke’ after the verse should be last in line

(or close to it). The entire ‘parade’, except for the actors, should exit the room by the end of the verse, SILENTLY get their next verse’s props, get back in line for the next entrance, and LISTEN for the joke.

\*\*If you have access to a snare drum and a cymbal, it is very funny to have a person stay in the dining room and give a rim shot/cymbal crash after each ‘joke’ (this also helps as a cue for the folks waiting out in the hallway).\*\*

After the ‘joke’, everyone starts singing the chorus ‘offstage’ again;

allow the actors to exit back out through the door first, and then the ‘parade’ begins again, with everyone except the next set of ‘actors’ exiting the room by the end of the verse. This pattern repeats up to Verse 7.

HINTS!!! Make sure the first person in line REALLY knows what to do and when to do it: they can cue the actors doing the jokes; make sure all others are staying quiet during the joke; allow the actors to exit the room before the ‘parade’ enters again; and set the pace for the walk around the room to make sure the entire parade can make it out of the room in time.

Actors should take their time telling the jokes and wait for the laughter!

They should feel free to have their lines on index cards and read them

(the jokes DO NOT have to be memorized).

Props should be kept VERY simple – things that can easily be put down and picked up VERY quickly ☺ (It is also good if the song verses can be printed on some of the props!)

Chorus: (Sung from ‘off-stage’ (i.e. the hallway))

Rise, and shine, and give God the glory, glory ( x 3 )

Children of the Lord (ENTER ON REPEAT OF CHORUS (below))

PROPS: GATHERING STORM (clouds, lightning, signs (‘100% chance of rain’), etc.)

(CHORUS)

Verse 1: The Lord said to Noah, “There’s gonna be a floody, floody” ( x 2 )

“Get those children out of the muddy, muddy”, Children of the Lord

Passerby: Gosh, Noah, what’s the matter?

Noah: Well, God spoke to me and told me to build an ark because He is going to flood the earth.

Passerby: Wow! That’s terrible! No wonder you’re upset.

Noah: Yeah. I finally get my bass boat, and now I have to take the whole family along.

PROPS: CONSTRUCTION GEAR (hats, tools, wood, etc.)

Sooooooo (CHORUS)

Verse 2: Then God said to Noah, “You’ve gotta build an arky, arky” ( x 2 )

Build it out of hickory barky, barky”, Children of the Lord

Passenger 1: Hey, isn’t it going to be dark inside the ark?

Passenger 2: Nah … Noah installed lights.

Passenger 1: Really? What kind?

Passenger 2: Flood lights.

PROPS: ANIMAL PARADE (masks, cut-outs, stuffed animals, etc.)

Sooooooo (CHORUS)

Verse 3: The animals, they came on, they came on by twosies, twosies ( x 2 )

Elephants and kangaroosies, roosies, Children of the Lord

Passenger 3: Wow, there sure are a lot of animals in the ark!

Passenger 4: Yep … two of each kind.

Passenger 3: Wait a minute … why aren’t there any worms?

Passenger 4: Silly! Worms come in apples, not pairs!

PROPS: RAIN GEAR (ponchos, water-wings, snorkels, umbrellas, etc.)

Sooooooo (CHORUS)

Verse 4: It rained and poured for forty daysies, daysies ( x 2 )

Nearly drove those animals crazies, crazies, Children of the Lord

Passenger 5: You know, Noah is a real financial genius.

Passenger 6: Really? How do you figure?

Passenger 5: Just look around! He’s floating his stock while the whole world is in liquidation.

PROPS: SUNSHINE TIME (suns, sunglasses, sun visors/hats, white clouds, etc.)

Sooooooo (CHORUS)

Verse 5: The sun came out and dried up the landy, landy ( x 2 )

Everything was fine and dandy, dandy, Children of the Lord

Passenger 7: Whoa, wait a minute there Noah!

Noah: What’s the matter?

Passenger 7: You can’t be the first one off the boat.

Noah: Why not?

Passenger 7: Because you are supposed to ‘come forth out of the ark’.

PROPS: ANIMAL PARADE PLUS BABIES (same as verse 3 + baby animals)

Sooooooo (CHORUS)

Verse 6: The animals, they came off, they came off by threesies, threesies ( x 2 )

Talk about those birds and beesies, beesies, Children of the Lord

Passenger 8: Hey, you snakes! You need to get off the boat!

Passenger 9: Yeah … Noah said you’re supposed to ‘go forth and multiply’.

Snake 1: We can’t.

Passenger 8: Well, why not?

Snakes 1, 2: Because we’re adders.

PROPS: GOD’S PROMISES – (optional) give RAINBOW BRACELETS to the pilgrims

Sooooooo (CHORUS) (enter the ‘parade’, & remain in circle around room)

(HAND OUT BRACELETS during verse (optional)

Verse 7: We’re in God’s family, and we are all sisters, brothers ( x 2 )

Spread Good News of His love and grace to others, Children of the Lord

(no chorus)

Verse 8: This is the end of, the end of our story, story ( x 2 )

Everything is hunky-dory, dory, Children of the Lord

Sooooooo (CHORUS – exit waving)

(Can make one more pass around the room to take a ‘bow’)