











Who Were The Generals—Part 2

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INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOME

This lesson will provide junior soldiers with basic biographical information on nine of the ten remaining Generals elected by the High Council. They'll learn about the contributions made by these men and women not only to The Salvation Army, but also to the world at-large.

YOU ARE HERE!



Place the timeline marker on **1977** on the **Salvation Army** timeline.

*In addition to materials listed in this chart, you need Basic Classroom Supplies.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR THE LEADER

UNIT AIM:

This unit will help junior soldiers understand the role of the international leader of The Salvation Army, the General. They'll learn about the selection and appointment process of the General by learning about the High Council. Junior soldiers will learn about the ministry of the General while learning about past and present Generals.

THIS LESSON CONCLUDES the overview of the Generals elected by the High Council. The lesson activity for this lesson is to complete the "photo album" started in lesson one.

General Arnold Brown – 11th General

Arnold Brown was born in England on December 13, 1913. When he was a young boy, his family immigrated to Canada. He learned to play the cornet, and played in The Salvation Army band. However, as a teenager he realized that God wanted more from him than just music and he became a Salvation Army officer.

He spent much of his officership in literary work and public relations. He's well-known for his participation in the long-running television series, "The Living Word." General Brown also had a keen interest in music and young people. He encouraged the establishment of music camps across Canada, and helped organize the Canadian Staff Band. He was elected General in 1977.

In his retirement, General Brown wrote several books and was promoted to Glory on June 26, 2002.

General Jarl Wahlström – 12th General

After receiving his commission as a Salvation Army officer in 1938, Jarl Wahlström returned to his native Finland to serve in corps appointments. During World War II he served as a chaplain to the Finnish armed forces.

He had a special interest in youth work. He served as territorial scout organizer, divisional youth secretary, and territorial youth secretary before becoming chief secretary for Canada in 1972.

Following his election as General in 1981, Jarl Wahlström spoke to a television reporter and said that he wanted to be a General who would bring "a spirit of enthusiasm and optimism" to the world.

General Wahlström wrote two books and was promoted to Glory on December 3, 1999.

General Eva Burrows – 13th General

Eva Burrows was born in Australia on September 15, 1929. She was the second woman elected as General, and the youngest General since Bramwell Booth. She was 57 years old when she became General.



Following her election as General, she said she wanted to be a General of great compassion and love. By a special extension, she served as General until 1993, three years longer than her term of office.

When she assumed the office of the General, she presented the “Agenda for the Future” to make Salvationists aware of what we stand for, to direct our thoughts to the future, to set priorities on issues, and to determine a means to evaluate our efforts. It contains six basic goals:

1. To emphasize the importance of evangelism as our primary work,
2. To recall the Army to spiritual growth,
3. To reaffirm our basic stance on the authority and validity of the Scriptures as a basis for our faith and as a guide for Christian conduct,
4. To emphasize the Christian ethic as the significant influence in establishing a moral society,
5. To support efforts for peace in the world and champion the principles of justice and equality, and
6. To reaffirm the importance of young people.

In retirement, General Eva Burrows continues to be a gifted speaker, and she speaks forthrightly on important, contemporary issues.

General Bramwell Tillsley – 14th General

Bramwell Tillsley was born on August 18, 1931, in Canada. He and his wife served in corps, youth, training college, and divisional appointments in Canada and Newfoundland. As the chief secretary for the USA Southern Territory and territorial commander for Australia’s Southern Territory he gained valuable experience that led to his appointment as Chief of the Staff under General Burrows in 1991.

He was the logical choice to succeed General Burrows because he was highly involved in her “Agenda for the Future.” The High Council elected him in 1993. However, due to ill health, he served as General for one year.

General Tillsley has written for many Army publications, and is the author of several books.

General Paul A. Rader – 15th General

Paul A. Rader was the first American-born General. He has three brothers and one sister, all of whom have served as missionaries. General Rader’s parents were Salvation Army officers.



After graduating from Asbury College, Paul and Kay Rader attended the School for Officer's Training in New York. They were commissioned in 1961, and in 1962, were sent to serve as officers in Korea. The Raders served over 20 years as officers in Korea. They returned to the United States in 1984, and held several appointments until 1994, when Paul Rader was elected General.

During his term of office, General Rader called an International Youth Forum. He listened to young people from around the world express their concerns and hopes for the future of The Salvation Army. He formed a Spiritual Life Commission to examine the beliefs of The Salvation Army and the Army's place in the worldwide Church.

General Rader retired from officership in 1999.

General John Gowans – 16th General

John Gowans was born to officer parents on November 13, 1934, in Scotland. As a teenager, he developed a love of drama and English literature. In 1954, he entered the International Training College where he met his wife, Gisele. They were married in 1957.

In 1967, John Gowans teamed up with John Larsson to write the musical *Take Over Bid*. Gowans and Larsson produced nine other musicals together. Many of his songs appear in The Salvation Army Song Book. He has also written three books of poetry.

On May 15, 1999, the High Council elected John Gowans to serve as the 16th General. He remained General until his retirement in 2002. He was promoted to Glory on December 8, 2012.

General John Larsson – 17th General

John Larsson was born in Sweden in 1938. Growing up the son of Salvation Army officers, he lived in Sweden, Denmark, Chile, and Argentina. In 1957, he received his commission as a Salvation Army officer. Larsson served in corps appointments and on the International Training College. In 1969, he married Captain Freda Turner. They served in various appointments in South America West; the United Kingdom with the Republic of Ireland; the New Zealand, Fiji, and Tonga Territory; and at International Headquarters.

In 1999, John Larsson became the Chief of the Staff for General John Gowans. In 2002, the High Council elected John Larsson to serve as the 17th General of The Salvation Army. General Larsson retired in 2006.

General Shaw Clifton - 18th General

Shaw Clifton was born September 21, 1945 in Belfast, Northern Ireland. He married Helen Clifton in 1967 and they were commissioned as officers in The Salvation



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Army in 1973. They served in Zimbabwe, London, IHQ, the USA Eastern Territory, Pakistan, and as the territorial commanders of the New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory. Shaw Clifton became General in 2006. General Clifton met with two United States Presidents—George W. Bush and Barack Obama. General Clifton worked actively against human trafficking. His beliefs on the Army's calling to work for social justice led to the establishment of an international social justice commission based in New York. He was also a strong believer in the equality of men and women and consistently sought to promote women leaders into prominent roles. General Clifton retired in 2011.

General Linda Bond - 19th General

Linda Bond was born on June 22, 1946 in Nova Scotia. Bond held several corps appointments. She also served at the training college, THQ, and IHQ. She was the territorial commander in the USA Western Territory before resigning her officership in 2004. She returned to an appointment at IHQ in 2005. She became the 19th General in 2011. She was the third woman and the fourth Canadian to be General. She received an honorary degree from Tyndale University College and Seminary. On June 13, 2013, she unexpectedly announced her retirement, effective immediately.

OPENING ACTIVITY

Talents and Skills

Before class, make copies of  A. Instruct junior soldiers to draw self-portraits. Encourage junior soldiers to think about their skills, talents, and abilities, and to write them in the space provided.


As time allows, discuss the characteristics evident in your junior soldiers.

BE AWARE!

Make sure that each junior soldier has a skill, talent, or ability on their paper. If they have nothing on their paper, encourage them by sharing a talent you see in them.




MATERIALS NEEDED:

-  A
- pens/pencils
- markers/crayons







MATERIALS NEEDED:

-  B-H
- scissors
- glue
- pens or pencils
- song books


LESSON

Who Were The Generals? – Part 2




Before class, make copies of  B-H for each junior soldier. Encourage junior soldiers to write information about the 11th through 19th Generals on the “note pads.” Gather enough red song books for junior soldiers to share.

Say: **Last week we talked about the first eight Generals elected by the High Council. Raise your hand if you can tell me their names.** (Allow response.) **Today we’re going to talk about nine more Generals who were elected by the High Council.**

Ask the Junior General selected last week to handout copies of  B-H to each junior soldier. As each General is discussed, encourage junior soldiers to write important information on the “note pads,” and cut out and glue the appropriate pictures to each “frame.”

Say: **General Arnold Brown was born in England on December 13, 1913. When he was a young boy, his family immigrated to Canada.**


General Brown liked music and working with young people. He helped start music camps in Canada, and the Canadian Staff Band. General Brown wrote several books, *What Hath God Wrought?* (1984), *The Gate and the Light* (1984), *Yin—The Mountain the Wind Blew Here* (1988), *Christ at the Table* (1991), and *Occupied Manger—Unoccupied Tomb* (1994). He served as General from 1977 until 1981. He was promoted to Glory on June 26, 2002.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Brown, and glue it to  B. Move the timeline marker to 1981 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Say: **Jarl Wahlström became the 12th General in 1981. Following his election as General, Jarl Wahlström spoke to a television reporter and said that he wanted to be a General who would bring “a spirit of enthusiasm and optimism” to the world.**

He had a special interest in youth work. He served as territorial scout organizer, divisional youth secretary, and territorial youth secretary before becoming chief secretary for Canada in 1972.

General Wahlström wrote two books, *A Traveller’s Song* and *A Pilgrim’s Song* (1989). General Wahlström served as General from 1981 to 1986. He was promoted to Glory on December 3, 1999.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Wahlström, and glue it to  B. Move the timeline marker to 1986 on the Salvation Army timeline.



Say: **General Eva Burrows was born in Australia on September 15, 1929. She was the second woman elected as General. Elected at 57 years old, she was the youngest General since Bramwell Booth.**

When she was elected as the 13th General, she said she wanted to be a General of compassion and love. She presented the “Agenda for the Future” to help Salvationists understand what we believe in, and help Salvationists tell others what we believe. By a special extension, she served as General until 1993, three years longer than her term of office.

General Eva Burrows continues to travel around the world sharing God’s Word with others. She was General from 1986 until 1993.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Burrows, and glue it to  C. Move the timeline marker to 1993 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Say: **Bramwell Tillsley was born on August 18, 1931 in Canada. He was appointed as Chief of the Staff under General Burrows in 1991. The High Council elected him to become the 14th General in 1993. However, due to ill health, he retired early, in 1994. He served as General for one year.**


General Tillsley has written for many Army publications, and is the author of several books including, *Life in the Spirit, This Mind in You, Life More Abundant*, and *Manpower for the Master*.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Tillsley, and glue it to  C. Move the timeline marker to 1994 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Say: **General Paul A. Rader, the 15th General, was the first American-born General. He has three brothers and one sister, all of whom have served as missionaries. His parents were also Salvation Army officers.**

The Raders served over 20 years as officers in Korea. They returned to the United States in 1984, and held several appointments throughout the USA until 1994, when Paul Rader was elected General. During his term of office, General Rader called an International Youth Forum. He listened to young people from around the world express their concerns and hope for the future of The Salvation Army.

General Rader retired in 1999. He was the General from 1994 until 1999. He served as the president of Asbury College in Wilmore, KY from 2000-2006.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Rader, and glue it to  D. Move the timeline marker to 1999 on the Salvation Army timeline.


Say: **As a teenager, John Gowans developed a love of drama and English literature. He used his love of drama to serve God. In 1967, John Gowans teamed up with John Larsson to write the musical *Take Over Bid*. Gowans**



and Larsson produced nine other musicals following the success of *Take Over Bid*. Many of his songs appear in The Salvation Army Song Book.

Instruct junior soldiers to look at song #192, "For the mighty moving of thy Spirit" in the song book. Read over a verse with the junior soldiers.

Say: **On May 15, 1999, the High Council elected John Gowans to serve as the 16th General. He served as General from 1999 until 2002. General Gowans was promoted to Glory on December 8, 2012.**


Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Gowans, and glue it to  D. Move the timeline marker to 2002 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Say: **John Larsson was born in Sweden in 1938. Growing up the son of Salvation Army officers, he lived in Sweden, Denmark, Chile, and Argentina. In 1957, he received his commission as a Salvation Army officer. Larsson served in corps appointments and at the International Training College. In 1969, he married Captain Freda Turner. Larsson and his wife served in various appointments in South America West; the United Kingdom with the Republic of Ireland; the New Zealand, Fiji, and Tonga Territory; and at International Headquarters.**

In 1999, John Larsson became the Chief of the Staff for General John Gowans. In 2002, the High Council elected John Larsson to serve as the 17th General of The Salvation Army. General Larsson retired in 2006.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out the picture of General Larsson, and glue it to  E. Move the timeline marker to 2006 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Shaw Clifton was born September 21, 1945 in Belfast, Northern Ireland. He married Helen Clifton in 1967 and they were commissioned as officers in The Salvation Army in 1973. They served in Zimbabwe, London, IHQ, the USA Eastern Territory, Pakistan, and as the territorial commanders of the New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory. Shaw Clifton became General in 2006. General Clifton met with two United States Presidents—George W. Bush and Barack Obama. General Clifton worked actively against human trafficking. His beliefs on the Army's calling to work for social justice led to the establishment of an international social justice commission based in New York. He was also a strong believer in the equality of men and women and consistently sought to promote women leaders into prominent roles. General Clifton retired in 2011.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out General Clifton's picture and glue it to  E. Move the timeline marker to 2011 on the Salvation Army timeline.

Linda Bond was born on June 22, 1946 in Nova Scotia. Bond held several corps appointments. She also served at the training college, THQ, and IHQ. She was the territorial commander in the USA Western



Territory before resigning her officership in 2004. She returned to an appointment at IHQ in 2005. She became the 19th General in 2011. She was the third woman and the fourth Canadian to be General. She received an honorary degree from Tyndale University College and Seminary. On June 13, 2013, she unexpectedly announced her retirement, effective immediately.

Instruct junior soldiers to cut out General Bond's picture and glue it to  F.

Say: **Each of these people served God by leading The Salvation Army. Being General is a big job, but God knew these people could meet the challenges and work hard for The Salvation Army with His help.**

MEMORY VERSE

1 Corinthians 12:4-5 (NIV) 

"There are different kinds of gifts. But they are all given by the same Spirit. There are different ways to serve. But they all come from the same Lord."

Write the verses on the board or a piece of poster board. Review the verses several times with junior soldiers.

Say: **This verse tells us there are many ways to serve God. The Generals of The Salvation Army were each different. Some liked to write songs, some liked to write books, some liked to work with children, and others liked to give speeches. But all of the Generals were good Generals. Even though they were different, they all had the same job—to share God's love with others, and to lead The Salvation Army.**

We can serve God in many ways too! Can you think of some ways we can serve God? (Allow response.)

Allow junior soldiers to brainstorm ways they can serve God. Give each junior soldier a small prize, like a Hershey's Kisses® or a lollipop, for giving a response. Encourage each junior soldier to provide a response. Review the verse again.



MATERIALS NEEDED:

- poster board
- small prizes





MATERIALS NEEDED:

- paper
- pens/pencils

REINFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

(CHOOSE ONE OPTION)

If I Were General... (Option 1)

Give each junior soldier a piece of paper and a pen or pencil.


Say: **We've been learning about the Generals of The Salvation Army. Today we learned about what the Generals accomplished while they were in office. General Burrows started a plan called "Agenda for the Future." General Rader listened to the ideas of young people. General Gowans wrote plays.**

If you were General of The Salvation Army, what would you do to make The Salvation Army grow? How would you improve The Salvation Army? Write your answer on your paper.



When junior soldiers have finished, if time allows, read a few of their responses to the entire brigade.





MATERIALS NEEDED:

-  I-J
- box or bag
- pens/pencils

Mock High Council (Option 2)

Before class, make copies of  I. Also, make a copy of  J and color the Junior General badge. Place a box or bag on the table to be the ballot box.

Say: **Today we're going to elect a Junior General. The person we elect as Junior General will be my helper next week in class. We'll elect our Junior General the same way the High Council elects the General of The Salvation Army.**

Open in prayer. Then, allow the nomination of three junior soldiers. Ask each nominee to state why they'd make a good Junior General. Give each junior soldier a ballot (from  I) to write their selection on. Tally the votes, and announce the Junior General. Give the Junior General the badge from  J.



WORSHIP PROGRAM

CHORUS: Song #56: "Search My Heart"
(Track #6, *Great Big Praise* CD 2)

SCRIPTURE: Mark 12:41-44 (NirV)

CHORUS: Song #52: "Give It All to Him"
(Track #2, *Great Big Praise* CD 2)

DEVOTIONAL

Giving All You've Got! 7

Read Mark 12:41-44.

Say: **In this story, people went to the temple to give money, their offering. How do we give our offering today?** (Allow response.) **We place our money in the offering plate on Sunday morning during the Holiness Meeting.**

Jesus and the disciples watched the people putting their offering into the offering box. People with a lot of money placed their offering in the box so that everyone could see how much they put in. They wanted everyone to know that they were rich and gave a lot of money to God. Then, a poor woman dropped two small coins into the offering box. She did it quietly so no one saw what she was doing.

Jesus said, "The poor woman has given more than the others." What do you think Jesus meant when He said the poor woman gave more than the rich people did? (Allow response.) **Because the woman was poor, and gave all of her money as offering, she gave more than the rich men who gave only a little bit of their money. Jesus was happy because the poor woman gave all she had to God.**

God doesn't want us to give Him all of our money, but He does want us to give Him all of our heart. He wants us to use our lives to tell others about Him. The men and women who became Generals of The Salvation Army gave their entire lives to God. They didn't give God only a little, like the rich man only gave a little money; they gave everything to God.

You can give everything to God too! You don't need to become a Salvation Army officer or General to give your life to God. There are many people who serve God each day even though they aren't preachers or missionaries. You can serve God and be a doctor. You can serve God and be a school



teacher. You can serve God and be a bus driver. You can serve God by staying at home and being a mom or a dad. You can serve God doing anything, as long as you love and obey Him! The Holy Spirit will help you serve God in everything you do.

PRAYER



Remember to fill out
the *What Do You Think
Evaluation* on page 219.

