

# Lights, Camera, Action!

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So you want to do a children's choir musical...NOT!!! Let me help you work through the formula for success and make that musical turn out to be the BEST!! Let's make musicals FUN!

## 1. Why do we dislike musicals so much?

- A. Sometimes we as directors feel inadequate to teach musicals.
- B. Musicals seem to always occur at busy times.
- C. We can't really teach any music...We depend on the teaching by "rote" method.
- D. We dislike all those special parts...Who gets the lead roles?
- E. Movement is never easy or fun for me.
- F. Staging is always wild.
- G. Musicals cost too much.

## 2. How can we make performing musicals more fun for everyone?

- A. Anyone can teach a children's musical.
  - 1. The complete design is given to you in the resource book.
  - 2. You can adapt the musical to your own style...and to your choir's needs.
- B. Choose a more convenient time for the musical...and be versatile on the location.
- C. Use the musical to teach spiritual and musical concepts.
- D. Divide parts.
- E. Movement can be fun...it should reflect the words and help you with memorization.
- F. Here's a cue card system to help you with staging.
- G. Musicals do not have to be expensive.

## 3. Preparation is the key to success.

- A. Organization is imperative.
- B. Enlist others to help.
- C. Pray!!!!
- D. Have fun with your children.