

Welcome!

** English **



We're glad you're here!

*As for what was sown on good soil,
this is the one who hears the word and understands it.
Matthew 13:23*

Who We Are

Our Vision Statement

At COFFEE, for the glory of God and the sake of the gospel, we seek to teach English with excellence so newcomers are empowered to successfully

- *use the language,*
- *navigate the culture, and*
- *flourish on a new path in this new place.*



What to Expect

Your first day

Welcome to COFFEE!

❖Registration form

When you come in, we'll ask you to fill out a form. On the form, you will tell us basic information about you, like your name, address, family information, what languages you speak, where you're from, whether you've studied English before, and why you want to learn English. We will find out if you need childcare or transportation.

❖Placement test

We'll also give you a placement test. In the placement test, someone will ask you some questions. We will also ask you to read and write some words or sentences. Based on how you answer the questions, we will know what class will help you the most.

❖Assignment

After your placement test, we'll assign you to a class and a teacher. We'll show you where that class meets and introduce you to your teacher.

❖Children

If this location has childcare, we will show you the room for childcare. In the room for childcare, you can leave your children. We love children, but we do not want children in the English classes. They do not help our learners get better at English.

❖Photo

We'll take your photo. Don't worry - we only share your photo with the people who work at COFFEE. We want everyone to know who you are, where you're from, and what class you're in.

❖Materials fee

We ask you to pay a **\$10 fee**. We ask for this fee only once per semester (once every 6 months). You can pay it anytime in the 5 months of class. This fee helps pay for your books. We will give you one or more books for your class. We give you this book the second time you come or when you pay the \$10 fee.

No one who works at COFFEE receives money for his/her work. We are all volunteers.

Are you able to pay this fee today? _____

Schedule

If learning English is important to you, we want to help you. We promise that you will receive good teaching from trained teachers. We need you to promise something as well. We need you to **promise you will come to class**. Learning English takes time. If you give your time, we will give our best to help you learn English.

The Louisville bus system, TARC, has a bus that stops close to our location.

For more information, visit www.ridetarc.org.

Do you commit to come to class every time you are able?

❖ Overview

We have class for five months and then take a break for one month. We do not have class in **June or December**. This break helps our volunteers have energy for their work. While you are on break, we encourage you to interact with English speakers as much as you can, as well as listening to conversations and songs and watching television shows. It is good to choose ones that are for children. When people write for children, the English is easier to understand and learn.

❖ Each class

Each COFFEE meeting has three segments:

1. Reading Circle

For the first **30 minutes**, you'll read with friends from your class. Your teacher will help you. The books you read will stay here. You do not take these books home.

2. Community time

For the next **30 minutes**, we will all meet together, students from all classes as well as children and volunteers. We want to be a community of good friends. There will be snacks, drinks, and announcements. We may celebrate birthdays.

During this time, we will also talk about the big story of the Bible. We are here to help you learn English, but what we know about God is also very important and we want to tell you about it. God wrote His big story in His book, and we want you to see what His big story is, and where we are a part of it.

We may give you sentences from us and from His book in English and in your language. We may ask you if you want to read them in your language. We know your language is a beautiful part of who you are, and God understands it because He created it. We love to hear you speak in your language and share your culture with us.

3. Focused class time

For the last **1 hour**, you will meet with your teacher and others who are in your class. Your teacher will have planned a lesson to help you all know how to use English better.

Resources

Here are some resources that will help you.

God's Big Story

In our community time, we will learn God's big story, one small thought at a time. Here is the story and the verses from God's Book that help us know it is true.

Concept 1: **Making and breaking the rules**

1. God made everything, and God makes the rules.
Genesis 1:1
2. When Satan came as a snake and lied to Adam and Eve, they broke the rules.
Genesis 3:13
3. Everyone breaks the rules.
Romans 3:23

Concept 2: **Punishment**

4. God must punish people forever for the bad things they do.
Romans 6:23
5. Because God loves the people He made, He made a plan to save people from punishment.
John 3:16
6. God promised the One to help would be in the special family.
Genesis 22:18
7. Years passed while people did many bad things.
Judges 17:6

Concept 3: **Savior**

8. Then, the One Who Saves came as a baby named Jesus.
Luke 2:11, Matthew 1:21
9. He is God, because He is the Father's Son.
Luke 1:32
10. He never broke the rules.
1 Peter 2:22
11. Jesus, the Father's Son, always did good things.
John 10:32
12. But, God punished Him instead of us, and He died.
1 Peter 2:24
13. Then, God made Him alive again!
Acts 2:24

Concept 4: **Saved / Rescued**

8. Everyone needs saving, and God wants to save them.
2 Peter 3:9
9. Jesus is the only way to God.
John 14:6
10. We can tell God,
"I know it's true Jesus lived and died for others!
I want to follow His ways!
Please save me from being separated from You forever!"
Romans 10:9
11. Then, God saves us.
Acts 16:31

Concept 5: **Future hope**

12. Then, He will not punish us forever.
Romans 6:23
13. He will help us every day.
Hebrews 13:6
14. He will be our God and friend forever.
1 Thessalonians 1:10

Songs about truth

In our community time, we will learn some songs in English. Here are words from three of them.

Your Love Is Deep

Your love is deep
Your love is high
Your love is long
Your love is wide

Your love is deeper than my view of grace
Higher than this lowly place
Longer than this road I've traveled
Wider than the gap you fill

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Good, Good Father

You're a good, good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
You are perfect in all of your ways
to us.

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Great Are You Lord

You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore
every heart that is broken
Great are You, Lord.

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry,
these bones will sing
Great are You, Lord.

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