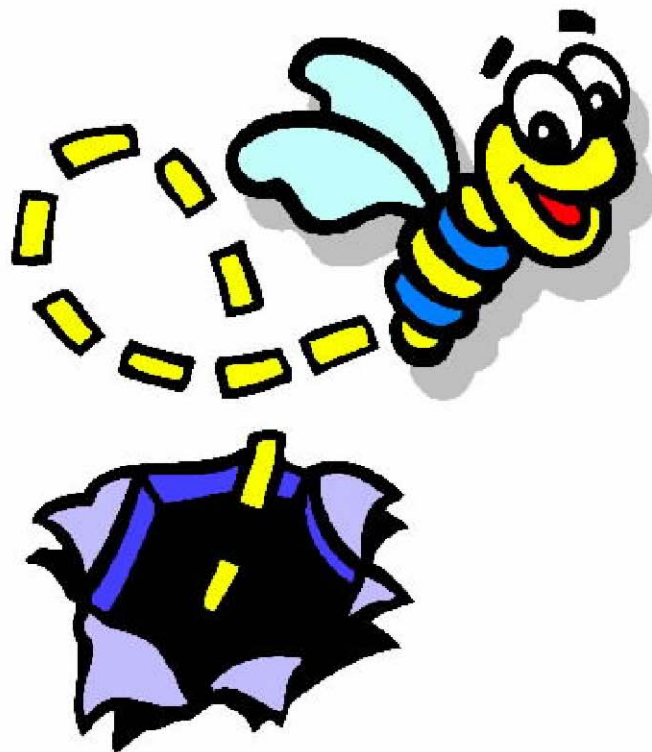


Buzzy, the Busy Bee



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Meet Buzzy



Buzzy is a busy Bee.

Buzzy lives in a hive with lots of other bees.

Buzzy has a certain job.

Buzzy makes honey from the nectar of plants.

Buzzy helps people. People like honey.

Buzzy has a weapon.

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BUZZY IS A HARD WORKER

Have you ever watched a bee working? Did he stop to rest? What did he do? He flew from flower to flower then to his home (hive) and then back to the flowers. He works really hard.

Buzzy flew out of the hive and began looking for a special flower. Buzzy likes roses. He saw some yellow roses. Zip, there he flew. He tasted and tasted the nectar in the flower. Oh, it was good. He drank all he could and then he zipped back to the hive. There he put the nectar in a special storage place.

The special storage place is for the food of the baby bees. Babies can't go out and find their food; they have to be fed. Buzzy works real hard so the baby bees will have food. Buzzy enjoys his work.

Do you work hard? Do you enjoy your work? What work do you do? Do you help Daddy and Mommy? Do you help your teachers? When we do a good job, it makes us feel really good. The Bible teaches us that we should work and obey. Work is good for us. The Bible tells us that we have to rest too. We rest so that we can do more.

There is a verse in the Bible (Ecclesiastes 9:10) that tells us: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." That means that whatever we do we should do our best. Let's try to remember that and always do our best, just like Buzzy does.

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BUZZY HAS A CERTAIN JOB

Buzzy doesn't do just any job. He has a special job. He does what he was born to do. He does what God wants him to do.

Buzzy's job is to gather nectar from the flowers and make honey for the baby bees. He is helping the bee family when he does his job. He is helping God care for bees.

Do you have a job to do? Are you helping your family? What is your job? Do you do your job well? Do you feel good when you do a good job?

God has jobs for us to do too. We should look for the jobs He wants us to do. The Bible teaches us that there are many jobs for us to do. We can pray. We can help. We can tell others about Jesus. We can be special messengers and go to other countries to tell people about Jesus and how they can be believers too.

What is your job at home? What is your job at church? What is your job in school? What is your special job that God wants you to do? Try to find out what all of your jobs are and do them well. Be a Busy Bee Worker!

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BUZZY MAKES LIFE SWEET

Have you ever eaten honey? Did you like it? Was it sweet. People use honey to make things sweet. They eat it on toast, on biscuits, on sopapillas, on oatmeal and other things.

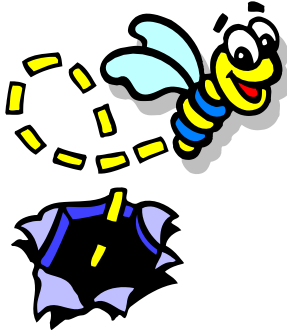
Buzzy makes honey, so Buzzy makes our lives sweet. Do you make people's lives sweet? When they think of you, do they feel good? I hope so. We should be sweet. We should make life sweet like Buzzy.

How can we make life sweet? By being kind. By doing special things for each other. By obeying our parents, teachers, pastors, and especially by obeying God. Also, by smiling instead of frowning. By not crying and whining. By forgiving and saying I'm sorry. Can you think of other ways to be sweet?

Let's remember Buzzy and that he makes life sweet. And, when we think of Buzzy, let's remember to be sweet.

Ephesians 4:32

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BUZZY HAS A WEAPON

Do you know what Buzzy's weapon is? That's right! It is his stinger! Have you ever been stung by a bee? It hurts, doesn't it? Why does Buzzy have this weapon? To protect himself.

Buzzy has enemies! Who are his enemies? Other animals who might try to harm Buzzy are his enemies. Do you know what animal really likes honey? You guessed it! Bears! Would bears be Buzzy's enemy?

God teaches us that we need weapons, too. We need them so that we can defend ourselves from sin and evil. What are these weapons? (Ephesians 6:11-20) Truth is one of these weapons. When we tell the truth, we are obeying God and protecting ourselves from harm. Righteousness is another one. What is righteousness? Being right with God and doing what is right. Another one is preparation of the gospel of peace. Being ready to tell people about Jesus. Jesus brings peace.

Faith is another weapon. Faith is believing what God says and that he will do what He says. Others are the helmet of salvation (Are you saved?), the Word of God (Do you read and listen to the Bible?) and prayer (Do you pray?).

We should always have our weapons ready, like Buzzy always has his weapon ready. That way we can keep from sinning and we can do what Jesus wants us to do.

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BUZZY HELPS

Buzzy doesn't know it, but he helps plants. When he drinks the nectar, he is helping the plants to make more plants. God planned it that way. God made everything and He planned how everything would act and work. All the plants and animals help God with the balance of plant and animal life on earth. They don't know they are helping God, but they are.

Buzzy helps other animals, especially the bears, because they like honey!

Buzzy helps people too. He helps the farmers when he is drinking nectar from the flowers so they can make more plants. He helps other people when he makes honey. We use honey, not only to make things sweet, but also to help some sicknesses.

I hope you help too. Are you a helper? Would you like to be a Busy Bee helper? Ask Jesus to help you be a good helper. Jesus would like that. And don't forget to be a missionary helper. Remember to pray for them. Remember that God might want you to be a missionary too. Ask Him what He wants you to be when you grow up.

Galatians 6:2

Who is Aunt Sharon?



Larry and Sharon Lilly have been missionaries to Mexico since 1970. Sharon felt as a little girl that she would some day be a missionary. She married Larry after finishing Bible College. Later God called Larry to be a missionary and they surrendered to go to the country of Mexico.

They published a magazine for Christian teachers in Spanish (El Maestro Cristiano) for many years. While writing stories for the magazine, Sharon became “Tía Sara” or Aunt Sharon. Although now, she is thinking of being called “Grandma Sharon”!

We hope that these stories will not only lead children to Jesus Christ, but will also teach many things that will help them to grow as Christians. We hope that some will give their lives to Jesus to serve Him in full-time service and that many will surrender their lives to serve God on the mission field.

Another goal for these stories is to keep missions and missionaries in the minds and hearts of those who hear them. They can be used as stories in themselves, as an introduction for a lesson, or as a series of stories in the opening exercises of Sunday School or Vacation Bible School.

You can also visit us on the WEB at www.lillymx.com . You will find links there for these stories soon.

May God bless the use of these stories. And remember to pray for the Lilly family and the Baptist Bible College of Cd. Mante, Tamaulipas, Mexico.