Swedenborg's Summer House

Emanuel Swedenborg loved to learn from the Lord's Word. As he read and studied the Word, the Lord showed him deeper meanings in the Word—the internal meaning of the Word. Then the Lord commanded Swedenborg to write down all that he learned about the Word.

His summer house was a one room building in the garden. Inside were a desk, a few chairs, and a little organ. Swedenborg wrote many books in this summer house. When you look at this project, think about Swedenborg reading the Lord's Word and writing what the Lord taught him.

Suggested Materials:

Summer house line drawing for each student

Colored pencils or crayons

Contrasting color of construction paper (or cover stock) for mounting picture

Procedure:

1. Color the picture of the summer house using this color key:

The sky is light blue.

The summer house is yellow and the door posts are white.

The roof and steps and foundation are brown.

The shutters are orange.

- 2. Cut out the picture along the circle.
- 3. Glue onto colored construction paper or cover stock to mount the picture.

Alternative Matting for the Picture:

- 1. Make a circle template the same size as the summer house drawing.
- 2. Use it to cut a circular hole out of the center of the colored sheet of paper to make a frame for the picture.
- 3. Put the frame and the summer house picture on another piece of paper—of a different color than the frame. The frame should be cut slightly smaller than the backing paper, so that the color will be visible.



