

**“The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and wither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.” John 3:8**

I used this project in Vacation Bible School this year. The winter storms this year left huge piles of debris on the beaches. The park ranger said I was allowed to collect 50 lbs of driftwood a day. ( Obviously I didn't need that much!) I collected river cane for the chimes and driftwood for the support pieces. The little wind catchers are cut-outs from plastic milk cartons. After collecting, I cut the cane into tidy pieces and then washed everything in a bleach solution. I drilled holes in the top and bottom of each piece of cane and 6 holes in the driftwood pieces.

Purchased or handmade beads are a nice addition. At VBS we used airdry clay to make beads and also used a tub of wooden beads from Walmart. I found fishing line too tricky for the kids to use so we used a thin but stiff craft twine. It was stiff enough to be threaded through holes but was pliable enough to tie.

Sharpie markers can be used to decorate the clay beads, the wind catchers, even the cane pieces if you want. At VBS we were so pleased to see how invested the students were in their projects. They really took time to create a wind chime to be proud of!

