# A Foundation for Communication

Introduce your young learners to the personalized art of handwriting. *Handwriting 1* helps students develop foundational handwriting skills to write fluently and accurately. Students will be able to match letters with their uppercase and lowercase counterparts, write neatly and legibly, use proper posture while writing, and write in PreCursive with consistent rhythm and speed.

# **How We Teach It**

### **Step-by-Step Instructions**

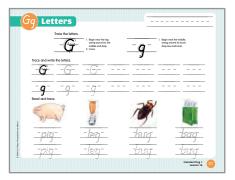
Students are first taught to recognize, trace, and write letters to develop their motor control in preparation for writing cursive in future grades. As letter formation is taught, letter names and sounds are also reinforced to develop reading and spelling skills. Playful characters and simple songs make the course content memorable and enjoyable for young students.

#### **Repetitive Practice**

Systematic practice helps students develop multiple components of their penmanship including letter formation, letter alignment, word spacing, neatness, and rhythm. Rather than emphasizing exact imitation, the course focuses on legibility and consistency in student writing.



#### Letter & Word Practice



## Practice with Sentences



# **Materials**

#### **Student Worktext**

The student worktext pages provide opportunities for both teacher-guided practice and independent student practice. Students will have consistent opportunities to review forming numbers and uppercase and lowercase letters.

#### **Teacher Edition**

The teacher edition provides teaching tips and lesson instructions—including biblical application notes.

