Behavior / Training

Goldens are very eager to please and easy to train if you are upbeat and consistent!

Here are some tips:

- Look on youtube for videos on training and get the whole family involved!
- Have a family meeting and set rules that everyone enforces. It's too confusing for a dog if everyone has different rules. Discuss where your dog will sleep, eat, potty. Discuss if he's allowed on the couch with you or able to get table scraps. Agree on the names for commands. (Ie. "come" or "here") And then EVERYONE enforces with no cheating!
- Treats and praises work VERY well!

Having trouble? The first things to re-evaluate is if the pup/dog is getting enough exercise and have enough stimulating toys. Bored and inactive dogs can be naughty!

We did to single classes to get us started. You don't need to do a whole series of classes, although they are really great!

There is a separate article in this packet on potty training and crate training.

Regarding biting: Don't let your puppy bite your fingers during play because it will get more hurtful! It feels really funny, but he will respond and stop if you yelp! His brothers and sisters let him know he was going to far by yelping and this really works!

Remember! Consistency is the key!