

Children and Family Ministries

"Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

- Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Vision

We believe that ministering to children involves ministering to parents and families too. Our desire is for children and their families to be passionately devoted followers of Jesus, who are motivated by love for Him to live out their faith in their daily lives. Our Children and Family Ministry focus is two-fold:

- (1) Teaching children God's Word and nurturing them toward a personal, life-changing, and abiding relationship with Jesus Christ so that faith in Christ is passed on the next generation.
- (2) Coming alongside and partnering with parents to equip and support them to fulfill their God-given role as the primary spiritual nurturers of their children's faith. As a community and family of believers, we seek to support parents in helping them to put God at the center of their family life so that He is the natural focus of their daily lives and activities.

Ministries

- ❖ Sunday School for ages Pre-K through 5th Grades (9:30-10:30 a.m.)
- ❖ Wednesday Night Children's Ministries (6-7 p.m. with supper served from 5-6 p.m.)
- Children's time during worship where children are prayed for and encouraged to begin thinking about the sermon topic
- Children's worship bags offered during Sunday morning worship
- ❖ Children's Church during the Sunday morning worship service for Pre-K/K
- ❖ We value children as a vital part of the life of the church. We seek to engage them and encourage them to serve in age-appropriate ways as they experience faith in Christ lived out in an authentic community of believers. Children serve as acolytes, in bell choir, and various other ministries.
- ❖ Parent and Family Get-Togethers for times of food, fellowship, sharing, and learning together
- Spiritual parenting studies

Tru Curriculum

"Envision a generation who knows God's voice... who desires to obey God... who lives dependent on the Holy Spirit...who chooses to live in God's presence..."

We utilize a family ministry focused curriculum that fits well with our vision. Tru curriculum by David C. Cook (truministry.com) helps kids and their families connect with God, find their place in His big story, and respond to Him through the power of the Holy Spirit.

* HomeFront Weekly sheets are sent home with children each week to help families grow spiritually around God's Word. These sheets provide parents with the opportunity to introduce the Bible lesson to their children for the up-coming week before they learn it in class. It gives parents ideas for having age-appropriate conversations and activities to prepare children for what they will be learning in Sunday School. The Scripture families focus on during the week is then re-enforced during the lesson in class.

❖ HomeFront Monthly Magazine – a FREE monthly magazine that gives parents practical spiritual parenting resources on how to create fun, spiritually forming times in their home – even in the midst of busy lives. This digital magazine can be sent directly to your inbox each month, providing great ideas for parents and grandparents to help shape vibrant faith in the lives of their children. Visit homefrontmag.com for more information about how you can receive HomeFront Monthly magazine by e-mail or download the HomeFront smart phone app.

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