

Children's Ministry

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”

Matthew 19:14



Goal:

- To work towards our mission statement: To instill Godly character in children through a relationship with Christ inside and outside the church.

Focus:

1. Partnering with parents in raising children up in the Lord.
2. Encouraging children to actively serve as members of the church community with strong Biblical principles.
3. Installing effective curriculum across the different children's ministry departments.
4. Training strong leaders and teachers who continue to train others to be involved in children's ministry.
5. Working with the administrative committee to research and implement a safe environment policy.
6. Finding an effective and sustainable outreach plan to new families.

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Leadership Development	- Plans for recruitment and promotion - Plans for leader care and ID of future leaders using established criteria - Training topics	- Implement recruitment and promotional plans - Implement training	- Find standards of teacher/trainee mentoring - Start mentorship	- Re-evaluate plans
Child Spiritual Development	- Establish milestones - Gather info from other churches - Plan for discipleship	- Communicate plan w/ S.S. and Agapeland - Structure milestone and discipleship plans	- Implement plans	- Re-evaluate plans
Parent Partnership & Education	- Communicate w/ adult fellowships - Coordinate w/ pastors for church wide teaching of children's min.	- Identification of common goals and interests - Interlocking with whole church	- Implement common plans church wide	- Re-evaluate plans
Outreach	- Observe outreach strategies of adult congregations	- Coordinate outreach plan for parents and children	- Implement plans	- Re-evaluate plans
Curriculum	- Evaluate existing curriculum - Research and choose new curriculum	- Use and evaluate - Mission Curriculum coordination	- Implement Missions into curriculum	- Re-evaluate plans
Safe Environment	- Partner with admin board to educate about the NEED - Gather other churches' info/standards	- Establish child specific guidelines and provide to ADMIN to incorporate into church wide policy	ADMIN ESTABLISHES POLICY; PUT INTO EFFECT BY <u>ADMIN</u>	