

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY At



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A NOTE TO PARENTS:

Dear Parents,

At VBF we realize that the responsibility for raising godly children falls upon the parents.

Your children are always welcome to stay in the service. However, we do provide a Nursery and Children's Bible Classes.

It is our heart's desire that we exhibit godly instruction toward the VBF children. It is our hope and prayer that these small peer group classes will provide opportunities to learn and grow in God's Word with fellow peers and that there will be an opportunity to learn and practice kindness, self control and other godly character traits.

We have high expectations for the children while at the same time we are continually training them. It is our hope that instead of learning bad habits from their peers, they will learn discernment, repentance, love and forgiveness. And most importantly that these

children learn to trust and follow our Lord Jesus Christ wholeheartedly.

We encourage parents to be teachers or helpers either together or independently. This is also an opportunity to serve the LORD together as a family. We would appreciate your prayers in this area.

Thank you!

Presently for children we have...

NURSERY (2yrs and under)

- Supervised by caring adults and helpers
- Background checks have been performed for all adult nursery workers and Children's Bible Class teachers.
- Pager system to quickly reach parents
- Toys and quilts cleaned regularly
- Bible stories read aloud
- Bible songs playing on CD

CHILDREN'S CLASSES (3-8yrs)

We prayerfully looked for a curriculum that taught through the Bible, challenged our children, and reinforced godly traits. We found *Generations of Grace Curriculum* and have been very pleased. It progresses through the Bible sequentially covering the Historical books of the Old Testament, the Life of Christ, The Gospel of Matthew, Acts and Revelation.

Each class is taught the same Bible lesson but at age appropriate levels. The memory verses are also the same but length is adjusted to each age level.

We also encourage you to follow up at home with the Bible passages and memory verses.

Currently, along with the Nursery, we have these classes weekly...

- 3-4 year old class
- 5-6 year old class
- 7-8 year old class

The class your child attends is based on their age as of the first week of September.

OTHER CHILDREN'S OPPORTUNITIES

- Weekly All Church Bible Studies, with Nursery care.
- Supervised Study Hall for home schoolers during the Women's Bible Study.
- Monthly Family All Church Lunch

We encourage you, as the LORD leads, to spend time with the Body.

We have many homeschooling families at VBF. As the LORD leads, we encourage families to get together not only for Bible studies, prayer, meals and fellowship, but also for educational opportunities. We encourage you to prayerfully get involved, plan activities and serve one another.

A Word of Encouragement:

If you have questions about the Nursery or Children's Ministry at VBF, we would value the opportunity to sit down and talk with you to answer any questions that you may have. We also appreciate insight and suggestions to better serve our LORD and His body here at VBF.

Thank You SO Much!

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"Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it."

Proverbs 22:6

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up." Deuteronomy 6:4-7