

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Partnering With Parents

Upcoming Events

Family Jam Dinner

October 2nd at 6:00pm
Join us as we enjoy some food and fun together as a church family.

Volunteer Training

Sunday, October 6th at 8:30am in Room 1A. Join us for some fun as we meet in our ministry serving teams for Children's!

Mother Daughter Tea

5th & 6th Grade Girls. Room 1A at 10:30am.

Trunk Or Treat!

October 25th from 6-8pm
Invite your neighbors and friends to our Trunk or Treat. We will have food, jumps, face-painting, crafts and more.



The Questions Your Elementary Child is Asking

By Kristen Ivy & Reggie Joiner

Parenting is hard. Just when you think you understand your child, everything changes. And then you have to get re-acquainted and figure out a new way to parent. It might be helpful to know that every kid at every phase is asking a unique and fundamental question. How you answer that question for your child will communicate the one thing they need most: LOVE.

4th & 5th Graders

Your fourth or fifth grader can understand different points of view, empathize with others, and negotiate like a champ. That means one thing: Your influence is shifting. Your kid still needs you, but they are beginning to need you in a different way. And they are asking one major question:

“DO I HAVE FRIENDS?”

Sure, everyone needs a friend. But research shows there's



Early Childhood

We want our preschoolers to grow up knowing that they can be brave because God is with them. This month we will focus on some of the bravest people in the Bible!

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Through out our lives, God may ask us to take risks or do something we may not feel prepared to do. But God will also give us the courage we need to face that challenge. We see this as Jesus faced death on the cross. He chose to be brave and follow through on God's plan. This month we will be in the Old Testament learning about the birth of Moses, the plagues in Egypt, the parting of the Red Sea, and the 12 spies who check out the land of Canaan.



extraordinary value in having a best friend at this age. Kids need to share their most authentic version of themselves with another person. So, give them the love and acceptance they need by doing one thing: **ENGAGE THEIR INTERESTS**. And remember, they are interested in friends. So this year include peers, coach relational skills, and helping them develop healthy friendships. When you engage your child's interests, you communicate, "Your relationships have value." So pay attention to what they like and who they like. Who and what do they seem to enjoy the most right now in this phase?

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When you engage their interests you...

- communicate that their ideas have value,
- show curiosity about their activities,
- establish that their efforts are significant,
- demonstrate that they are worth loving,
- help them push through set-backs.

You are probably doing more than you realize to show your child just how much you love them. Make a list of the way you already show up consistently to engage your child's interests.