Harvest Kids Parent Packet

Mission Statement: To teach the principles behind God's precepts to children in such a way that they will understand His Love. By understanding His love they would love Him, and <u>choose</u> to follow Him. We aspire to do this by sowing **T**ruth, **L**ove and **R**elationships.

Key Beliefs Supporting Mission Statement

- Parents are primary teachers. We see Sunday school classes as a supplement to what is happening in the home. Our goal is to support you as you lead your children.
- The Bible is accurate, authoritative, and Gospel-rich.
- Biblical literacy is gained through intentionality.
- Prayer is vital.
- Worship is vital and comes from a place of love and thanksgiving for who God is and what He has done.
- Application of Biblical truth is vital. As we hear and read the Word of God, we are compelled by love to become doers.
- Our children are the hands and feet of Christ, the light of the world. As they are filled with the Spirit, they will live out the Great Commission

Curriculum:

⇒ The Gospel Project: The Gospel Project takes kids on a Christ-centered, chronological journey through Scripture. Kids will discover how the gospel unfolds from Genesis through Revelation. When kids truly experience the gospel, their hearts are transformed. It is the gospel, not good behavior, that changes everything. Watch this video to catch the vision of The Gospel Project: https://youtu.be/urwZP2WGdHc. Lessons, videos, games, and more can be downloaded by visiting your app store and searching for the LifeWay Kids Kiosk App. There are content options within the app.

Opportunities:

Sunday 9 a.m. service

 \Rightarrow Birth to Kindergarten students engage in full Sunday school programming.

⇒ 1st-6th grade students will be *checked into the system prior to service start*, worship alongside parents, and be released to a teacher during announcements for age appropriate teaching.

Sunday 11 a.m. service

- ⇒ Birth to Kindergarten students engage in full Sunday school programming.
- ⇒ 1st-6th grade students will be *checked into the system prior to service start,* worship alongside parents, and be released to a teacher during announcements for age appropriate teaching.

Wednesday Night – Classes 7 p.m.

- ⇒ Birth to kindergarten students will be in class during the entire service.
- \Rightarrow 1st-4th grade students will be *checked into the system prior to service start*, worship alongside parents, and be released to a teacher just after announcements for age appropriate teaching.
- ⇒ We will not have classes on Wednesday evening for 5th-6th graders. We are excited for the opportunity for them to participate in big church with their parents!

Safety:

Check-IN

- ⇒ Print children's tags beginning 20 minutes prior to service
- ⇒ Walk children to classrooms An adult must accompany children to the classroom.
- ⇒ Elementary students will be released during announcements to a teacher who will walk them down to classes.
- \Rightarrow Keep phone accessible and on vibrate in the event you are paged

Check-OUT

- ⇒ Check children out promptly after service
- ⇒ Hand parent tag to teacher
- ⇒ Tell teacher child's name
- \Rightarrow Only <u>adults</u> are permitted to check child out

All volunteers have submitted to interview questions, a background check, and have provided references. We follow a visible ministry policy to ensure the safety of all students.

Well Child Policy

In order to keep children healthy, we follow a "Well-child Policy". Children who exhibit the following should be kept with parents during services:

- Fever or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Clear runny nose that is constant and uncontrolled or accompanied by sneezing or coughing
- A cough
- Green or yellowish nasal discharge
- A rash of any unknown or contagious origin
- Lice or symptoms of lice (consistent itching)

Children should be symptom free without the aid of a fever reducer for at least 24 hours prior to coming to Sunday school.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 UPDATE: In an effort to protect our children and volunteers from COVID-19, we have added the following to our well-child policy: Please do not attend services or check your children in to Harvest Kids if you or any member of your family has been exposed to COVID-19 in the last two weeks. In addition, if any member of your family has been ill with a cough, fever, or any other respiratory symptoms in the past 48 hours, please do not attend services or check in to Harvest Kids. You may be asked at check-in if any household member has been ill. In the event that you are unable to attend, we provide a live stream option on our website.