



Westbrooke Children's Ministry News

The New Children's Ministry Newsletter!!

Dear Parents,
Your children have been learning about the life of Daniel in Sunday School. They will continue on through the month of August learning about how God delivers Daniel from the hands of Nebuchadnezzar and others. Ask your children to tell you about some of the ways God protected Daniel and then discuss why. Remember that you are your child's greatest influence and when you spend the time discussing these Bible lessons at home (around the dinner table) you will be laying a spiritual foundation deep within their hearts. "And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart; and 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." Deut. 6:5-8

Rebekah and I are excited and very honored to be a part of Westbrooke's Children's Ministry! We really believe we have a calling to be a part of this ministry and are excited to see what God has planned for all of us! One of our goals is to keep you informed of what's happening in Sunday School and Children's Church and this newsletter is a big part of that.



"...you are your child's greatest influence."

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Up Coming Events

September 9th is move up Sunday for S.S. The Elders plan to bring the children up front and pray for them. We will also recognize the teachers.

Children's Ministry Prayer Concerns

We need your prayer. The children's ministry team, teachers, parents, and of course the kids need to be covered in prayer by the saints of this church. We have an enemy that would love to throw confusion,

doubt, and chaos into the most important ministry this church has...our kids. They truly are our future here at Westbrooke and beyond these walls. According to George Barna: "If we effectively teach

God's principles and expectations to our youngsters and instill within them a thirst for righteousness and a passion for God, the need to wage a culture war will be eliminated by re-shaping the culture from

within. The cumulative effect of their character and beliefs will redefine the contours of our culture." We thank you in advance for the prayers and support of this vital ministry!

Elder's Corner

If you have kids - or grandkids - you know that kids have a lot of questions - questions about God, life and just about everything else under the sun. Sometimes they go directly to God with their questions. Here are a few examples of some questions some kids had for God:

- Are you really invisible or is that just a trick?
- Did you really mean do unto others as they do unto you? Because if you did then I'm going to fix my brother.
- My grandpa says you were around when he was a little boy. How far back do you go?
- I went to this wedding and they kissed right in the church ... is



that okay?

- Why is Sunday School on Sunday? I thought it was suppose to be our day of rest.

“Raising children that will love, serve and worship Jesus Christ”

- Did you mean for giraffes to look like that or was it an accident?
- OI know all about where babies come from. I think. From inside mommies and daddies put them there. Where are they before that? Do you have them in Heaven? How do they get down here? Do you have to take care of them all first? Please answer all my questions...I always think of you. Yours Truly, Elizabeth

Kid's questions deserve answers that make sense (whether the questions do or not) - and the older they get, the tougher the questions become. Of course, raising children that will love, serve and worship Jesus Christ involves far more than just answering questions.

At this point we believe it is accurate

to state that Westbrooke is in the best position in its history to carry out the biblical mandate to “equip the saints for the work of service” in the area of parenting. Our responsibility as elders is to see that Westbrooke parents are encouraged and equipped to raise godly kids. With Dean Tomlinson as Youth Pastor

and now with Shannon and Rebekah Wheeler serving as Directors of Children's Ministry, we believe our youth ministry bases are well-covered. Pray with us that all involved will do all by the Book - and by the power of the Spirit.

Speaking for the Elders,
Don Hess

“God's Plan is for families to lead in the provision of spiritual development for their children.”

George Barna

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