

What's New For Kids & Families?



Special February Events

Kid's Club: Friday, February 17 6:30-8:30. *A MILLION BILLION GAZILLION WAYS JESUS LOVES ME* Psalm 33:5, "The unfailing love of the Lord fills the earth." Dinner gladly provided. For kids K-5th grade. Younger kids are welcome with an accompanying adult.

Ever wonder how Dinosaurs fit into the Bible? A SMALL GROUP

has started for kids in 1st-5th grade, led by Michael Harried. Tuesdays from 5pm-6:15pm in the Upper Room, above the Disciples Hall. It's an interactive Bible study with fun activities to help your child develop his/her Biblical worldview and get answers to tough questions! If you're interested, contact Michael at mharried@sbcglobal.net.

Sunday School—Each Sunday 9:30-10:30. Staffed nursery & 3yr-K class off the courtyard; all other grades upstairs above Disciples Hall. Classes are designed to help your child grow in Christ. This month, we'll also focus on loving others with our time, talents, & treasures.

SPIRITUAL PARENTING CLASS FOR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS: IT'S NOT ABOUT PERFECT BEHAVIOR. IT'S ABOUT PASSIONATE HEARTS.

This awesome new class is about how to view your role as a spiritually minded parent, the God-given role that is yours alone. It asks the question, "What is my end goal in raising each of the children God has entrusted to me, and then how will I parent them with that end in mind?" It will help you create environments in your home that will allow your children to not only hear God's words but have opportunities to put them into practice. This dvd-based study is written by Michelle Anthony, Ed D, Family Ministry Architect at David C Cook Publishing, former professor at Biola, former family ministry pastor of Rockharbor Church in California, and parent of two.

- 6 Weeks • Facilitators and parents of three Jim and Deb Schuetzler •
- 9:30-10:30 on Sunday mornings • Conference Room (next to church office) •
- Feb 12—March 25 (no class Feb 19) •

Contact Deb at debschuetz@yahoo.com or Megan Barone if interested



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS

Mark your calendars!

June 25-29th • 5:30pm-7:30pm • Dinner from 5:00—5:30

It's led by Bethlehem's family ... for families!

Make your family vacation to BABYLON this summer!

We need volunteers of all ages & talents! If you have a heart for sharing Jesus, we can find a ministry for you at VBS. Please contact Megan Barone or Deb Schuetzler **ASAP** if you want to join the VBS team. Our first team leader meeting will be Thurs, March 8 at 7pm at church.

Questions? Contact Minister to Children & Families Megan Barone at blcmegan@bellsouth.net

A SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTE FOR PARENTS

Sunday, February 5th is not just Super Bowl Sunday! That morning, the children and youth will study Mark 2:1-12. It's the piece of God's Big Story when a paralyzed man, who was on a mat and lowered down from a roof by his friends, was healed by Jesus. People were amazed and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

In this piece of God's Bible narrative, Jesus healed a man who couldn't walk. It was a joyous moment. It caused the Pharisees to question Jesus' authority and others to go away shocked, wondering who this man was.

There are many people today who, in a sense, are paralyzed. They cannot leave their homes because of their health. Praise God that we have ministries at Bethlehem that reach out to them—the cd ministry and website (so they listen to sermons at home), Stephens Ministries, and pastors who visit. We praise God that Jesus comes to them through His Word and sacraments too. However, it can still be frustrating and lonely, not being able to come to church to worship and fellowship with the entire Bethlehem family.

On February 5th, our Sunday school classes will make cards and bookmarks for the members of Bethlehem's family who cannot leave their homes, due to illness or other reasons. February is a time to show love to others and this is a special opportunity we have to share the joy and love of Jesus with these individuals.

Have your children join us on February 5th and ask them about their special project!

LOVING OTHERS DOESN'T HAVE TO STOP THERE—

Here are a few activities your family can do at home to show Jesus' love to others! If your family serves someone else with their time, talents, or treasures—share your story with your Sunday school teacher and let's add it to the Sunday school board!. Let's see how many ways Bethlehem's Sunday school can serve and love others in February!

- Help around the yard at home or at a neighbor's (maybe someone who is home-bound?) - rake their leaves, weed their flower beds, wash a car, sweep a room, feed a pet, or bring a special plant!
- Make cookies for a neighbor or friend
- Bring food on a Sunday for Feed My Sheep
- Call those who are home-bound! Get a list from Miss Megan and call people just to say, "hi!"
- Bring your weekly offering for the monthly missions
- Come to Kid's Club Fri day Feb 17th where we'll continue to learn about loving and serving others with our time, talents, and treasures!
- What else can your family think of??

Questions? Contact Minister to Children & Families and Interim Sunday School Director Megan Barone at blcmegan@bellsouth.net