Children's Ministry (Ages 4-10)

**WELCOME!** We welcome you and your child to this ministry of our church. We join you in a vitally important task; the nurturing of your child's development. We want to provide your child with the physical care and spiritual training that will build within them the right concept about the church, God and Jesus Christ. Our goal is for each child to grow up in a Christian environment and for each of us to exhibit understanding and cooperation as we work together for the good of your child. This is a cooperative effort between the church and the home, utilizing the efforts of both parents and the church body to effectively reach the children of our community with the message of Jesus Christ.

# What to bring:

Bible!

# When you arrive...

Children will attend the worship service with you. After worship, the children's leader will wait by the door until all of the children are ready, then they will walk together to the children's designated area.

# **Leaders & Volunteers**

All paid workers and volunteers go through an interview process, their references are checked, and they are subject to a criminal background check. They receive training on church policies and procedures, and paid workers receive CPR/First Aid training.

# What we provide:

#### **Snacks**

Upon approval from YOU snacks are provided. The food items consist of water and goldfish crackers. Our Children's Ministry is "Nut FREE". If your child has an allergy please inform the leader when you arrive.

#### Curriculum

Our material is Bible-based. We believe that the Word of God is the answer to the needs in our lives and is practical to today's child and adult. Out curriculum is designed to help children develop a love of God's Word, discover what the Bible says, and learn how to apply that truth to their lives. Regular learning experiences are planned and lessons are reinforced with songs, Bible stories, activities, art projects, and prayer time.

# **Parent Tips**

We seek to assist the parents in the spiritual growth of children. Take home pages will be given to parents that include the Bible story and Bible verse for the week. Parents can use this to review with their child throughout the week.

# **Pick-up Procedures**

You are required to personally pick up your child in the Children's area. Please make sure that all of your child's personal items have been returned to you before you leave the premises. Lost and found items will be retained for a short time.

#### **Discipline Policy:**

Physical discipline, such as spanking, is never permitted. Affirmation and encouragement are always preferred. If redirection doesn't solve the disciplinary problem we will use a time-out. (1 minute per child's age)

# **Health Policy**

The Church is committed to keeping children healthy and happy. You can help by keeping your child at home if the child shows any of the following:

Fever greater that 101.1 (children should be free of fever for 24 hours)

Common cold: runny nose, sore throat

Cough

Vomiting and/or diarrhea

Questionable rashes or skin infections

Scarlet Fever

Mumps

Measles

Whooping Cough

**Active Chicken Pox** 

Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis)

Children treated with antibiotics should be on the antibiotic for at least 24 hours before coming to the Children's Ministry. Children's Ministry leaders are not allowed to give medication of any kind. If your child has symptoms related to non-contagious allergies, inform the Children's leader.

# **Opportunities for Parents:**

# **Parent Commitment & Child Dedication Services**

This is a special time when parents and the 1042 church family thank God for a precious life and pledge themselves to follow the Lord's leadership in the development of the child. You may contact our Lead Pastor at Justin@1042church.com for more information.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

We encourage parents to invest in the 1042 childcare through volunteering. Volunteers are needed on Saturdays from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Please contact Monica Rodriguez, Children's Director, at 214-470-0486 for a Volunteer Application or for more information.