

# Church of God by Faith

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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CURRICULUM

National Board of Christian Education

# Church of God by Faith National Children's Ministry

**Mission:** To teach/train children ages 4-12 to have a personal relationship with God through prayer, Bible-based lessons, activities and experiences that will equip them to live a Christ-centered life and become soul winners for the kingdom of God.

**Goal:** To empower children ages 4-12 to grow in the knowledge of God and represent Him throughout their lives

**Staff:** Coordinator, administrative assistant, teachers, volunteers

**Criteria:** Volunteer protocol: volunteers required to participate in training session

**Lesson Plan/Format:**

**Curriculum:**

## National Convention Schedule

### Children's Ministry

#### Outline for National Conventions

**Wednesday** - Children's Ministry Registration

**Thursday** – (Tentative) Opening day and ice breakers for all children followed by introduction of the big idea. Use of videos, interactive questions, movement of students for full involvement, crafts projects, technology to record themselves.

**Friday** – Sessions include interactive lessons for ages (4-6), (7-9) and (10-12), Liturgical dance lessons, FUN Night, practice for Saturday (5:30 p.m.) General Children's Ministry worship/program.

**Saturday** – Field Trip, closing and next steps for next convention. Preparation for Saturday Program, Afternoon program (students share with congregation highlights of lessons and activities).

**Sunday** – Students join parents for closing Worship Service with their families

# Job Descriptions



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## Children's Ministry Teacher Job Description

Volunteer Job Title: Teacher

Reports to: Lead Coordinator

Scheduled Shift: TBD

Job Location: TBD Job

Duties/Qualifications:

- Responsible to teach ratio - based number of youths by a pre-planned curriculum (under the leadership of the National Children 's Ministry Coordinator)
- Possess a degree in Education or have at least one year of education — based training such as teacher assistant, day care experience, after/before care, extended day, home schooling or summer camp programs
- Participate in phone conferences and training (information will be provided by lead coordinator)
- LOVE children, exercise a prayerful lifestyle, demonstrate spiritual mindedness
- Be dependable/trustworthy and punctual
- Be cordial and flexible and able to work with a varied age group.
- Attend fieldtrips/extra-curricular activities and the Saturday General Youth service
- Work with the National Children's Ministry team during scheduled activities
- Share the Word of God using bible-based stories and/or hands-on age-appropriate activities and materials
- Teach children between the ages 4 to 12
- Use appropriate positive behavioral reinforcement (non-physical).

### **Expectations:**

- Pray with children
- Read to and with children
- Dress in appropriate, casual church attire; comfortable to work and move around
- Arrive at least 15 to 20 minutes before assigned duties
- Demonstrate the ability to do hands-on or high-energy activities
- Make voluntary financial contributions to support children's ministry

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## Children's Ministry Youth Volunteers/Teachers Assistant Job Description

Volunteer Job Title: Youth Volunteers / Teacher Assistants

Reports to: Sis. Martha Johnson, Lead Coordinator

Scheduled Shift: TBA

Job Duties/Qualifications:

### TEACHER ASSISTANTS

- Responsible to assist ratio - based number of youths by a pre-planned curriculum (will be under the training of the National Children's Ministry Coordinator)
- Must have at least one year of education — based training such as day care experience, after/before care, extended day, home schooling or summer camp programs.
- LOVES children, prayerful, and spiritual minded.
- Must be dependable and punctual.
- Must be friendly and flexible to work with a variety of age groups.
- Attend fieldtrips/extra-curricular activities and the Saturday Youth service
- Works with the National Children's Ministry team during scheduled activities
- Expected to share the Word of God through bible-based stories and/or hands-on activities using age-appropriate materials.
- Will be assigned age group to teach between ages 4 to 12
- Will assist with appropriate behavioral reinforcement (non-physical).

### YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

- Must be between ages 16 24
- Assist with check in /check out procedures
- Currently enrolled high school or college students in Elementary or Child Care related fields can earn credits toward graduation. (Provide course/program details to Lead Coordinator)

### More Details of Expectations:

- Pray with children
- Read to and with children
- Dress appropriate casual church attire; comfortable to work and move around
- Arrive at least 15 to 20 minutes before assigned duties
- May sing, do hands-on or high-energy activities
- Make a voluntary financial contribution to the children's ministry

# National Children's Ministry Parent Letter

Parents/Guardians:

Greetings to our Church of God by Faith, Inc. National Children's Ministry. We are so excited to have your child(ren) be a part of our awesome ministry! It is truly a blessing and a privilege to impart in the most formative years of children ages 4 – 12. The experiences in this ministry will pave the way for children to be enriched with the Word of God through lessons that provide spiritual enhancement, and serve as a conduit throughout their lives as they deal with day-to-day challenges in an ever-changing society.

This exciting ministry include methods for accessibility to ministry, requirements and protocol for staff (including volunteers), safe methods of registration and accountability for children during assigned sessions, lesson plan formats, activities that include Bible-based stories/lessons, hands-on activities that complement the lessons, a chance for parent participation, parent survey/feedback, as well as opportunities for contributions and donations to support the ministry.

Get ready for the amazing journey to where God is leading our children to their destiny in His Kingdom!

Humbled to serve,  
Martha Johnson  
National Children's Ministry Coordinator

For questions, email \*Ms. Martha Johnson at [marthamariej@att.net](mailto:marthamariej@att.net) or call 904 - 4371159.

# Curriculum Overview

Children’s ministry curriculum focuses on Main Idea, Key Passage, Interactive learning, Take home points, application outside of class or call for action and parental (family) involvement.

The curriculum also works as practical to coincide with targeted themes and biblical characters/stories.

## Curriculum Gospel Project (Lifeway)

<http://storiesbystephen.com/2016/07/13/gospel-project-kidscurriculum-follow/>

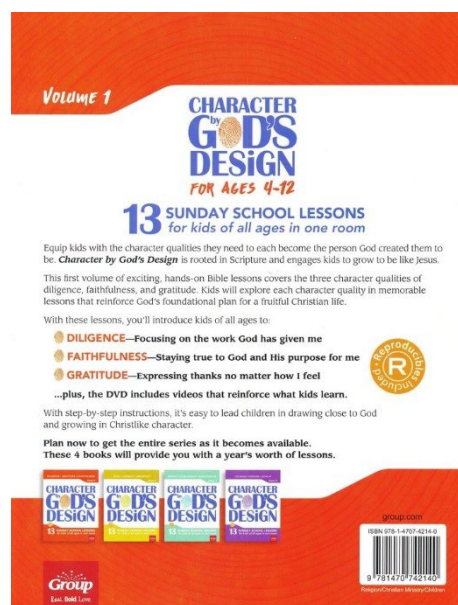
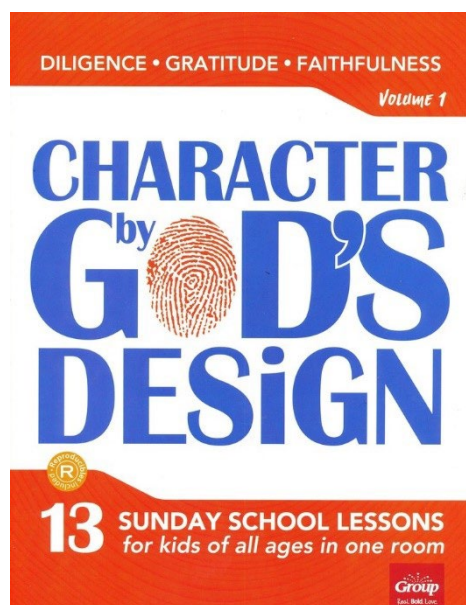


The Gospel Project (Lifeway) provides chronological, Christ-centered Bible studies that immerse your entire church in the story of the gospel—God’s plan to rescue His people from sin through His Son, Jesus Christ. Goal/Mission - The Gospel Project® for Kids immerses kids and preschoolers in the gospel through every story, theological concept, and call to mission from Genesis to Revelation. Ultimately, the gospel message changes everything; heart transformation can only take place when a child experiences the gospel. Through The Gospel Project® for Kids, kids and preschoolers will understand the Bible is not just a collection of stories, but one unified story—God’s story of redemption. TGP provides leaders kits that include a *Younger Kids Leader Guide*, *Younger Kids Activity Pack*, music, lyric videos, Bible story videos, and videos featuring questions from kids. *Leader Guides* and *Activity Packs* are available. It is also available as a digital bundle. TGP offers 4 videos to train ministry staff. TGP offers four free sessions for each age level: adults, students, **kids**, and preschoolers. There’s no obligation to buy. The free preview includes everything you need for a complete Bible study experience for four weeks:

- Bible story videos, activity pages, and music samples for Preschool and Kids
- Leader Guides for all ages
- The new Daily Discipleship Guide for Adults and Students
- Chronological approach allows kids to see how the whole Bible points to Christ.
- Spend equal time in the Old and New Testaments, learning how every story connects to the gospel.
- Bible stories brought to life through creative teaching elements.
- Family resources and age alignment make it easy for families to grow in the gospel together.

Character by God's Design Volumes 1 – 4 (for kids of all ages in one classroom) provides a series of lessons to **equip kids with the character qualities they need to each become the person God created them to be**. Goal/Mission - Equip children to reach their full potential in God's plan for their lives. Lessons are rooted in Scripture and each book includes reproducible and a DVD. Each volume has 13 lessons. Character traits focused on are: Vol 1 diligence, faithfulness, and gratitude; Vol 2 trust, honesty, and obedience; Vol 3 respect, stewardship, perseverance; Vol 4 courage, wisdom and loyalty.

You can select applicable lesson that will complement the theme. See the following:



Lifeway Blackchurchlife

<https://www.lifeway.com/blackchurchlife>

Urban Ministries – This one is not as diverse

<https://urbanministries.com/christian-curriculum/>

LiveUrban Ministries 16-week lesson in Four Series that focus on four fundamental themes: parents, self-image, friendships and the need to belong. Geared more for youth but topics could apply to all kids.

<https://www.group.com/product/123305web-live-urban.do>

**LIVE URBAN**

<b>SERIES 1</b> I Just Want to Belong	<b>SERIES 2</b> Your Parents: Who's in Charge?	<b>SERIES 3</b> Self-Image vs. God's Image	<b>SERIES 4</b> What About Your Friends?
<p><b>Identify Me</b> (Colossians 1:9-23)</p> <p><b>Who's My Daddy?</b> (Genesis 22:1-18)</p> <p><b>Child of God</b> (Romans 8)</p> <p><b>Walk Like God's Kid</b> (1 John 3)</p>	<p><b>What Does Honoring Even Mean?</b> (Ephesians 6:1-4)</p> <p><b>Home Cred Is as Important as Street Cred</b> (Luke 2:41-52)</p> <p><b>Can We Learn to Communicate?</b> (James 3:1-18)</p> <p><b>Why Can't We Just Get Along?</b> (Ephesians 4:17-32)</p>	<p><b>What I See When I Look in the Mirror</b> (Psalm 139)</p> <p><b>What the World Says About Me</b> (Romans 12)</p> <p><b>What My Friends See When They Look at Me</b> (1 Samuel 18:1-16; 19:1-12; 20:1-42)</p> <p><b>Christ's Reflection in Me</b> (2 Corinthians 3)</p>	<p><b>Who's in Your Space?</b> (Proverbs 12)</p> <p><b>The "BFF" Standard</b> (2 Corinthians 6:14-18)</p> <p><b>Dealing With Conflict in Friendships</b> (Matthew 18:15-17)</p> <p><b>Saying Goodbye</b> (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)</p>