



The

1-2-3 Path

to Serving Children



Discovery

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Contact the specific ministry leader of your area of interest, for up-to-date information. Plan to visit a time or two to become familiar with the needs and expectations of that ministry.



Application

2

Complete the packet of forms necessary for volunteering to work with children at TABC. Return the completed packet as soon as possible to the ministry leader, or to the church office, who will then notify the ministry leader.



Training

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Every ministry has some level of training for volunteers. The extent of the training varies according to the ministry experience of the volunteer. Whenever possible, training is on-the-job, with opportunity to first observe others in that role and then to be mentored while serving in that role.



Evaluation

Regularly evaluating our ministry roles is important. Ministry leaders will encourage each volunteer to consider how their current role fits them and their effectiveness in it. This allows for continual sharpening of our skills and also for shifting ministry roles as passions and/or life situations change. This evaluation process is especially important for new volunteers as they "try out" a variety of roles to find their best fit.

Long Term Service

Long-term service brings long-term impact. People who are serving in their "sweet spot," with giftedness and passion, are fulfilled and invigorated by their area of ministry. These are the volunteers we desire in Children's Ministry. These volunteers put down roots in an area of service, working to constantly improve their talent and develop deep relationships with the children, their families, and their ministry team.

Interests & Abilities Needed

Teachers: Prepare and present a vibrant Biblical message in a way that grabs the children's attention and encourages them to personally and practically apply the principals learned. Requires preparation, practice, and presentation.

Shepherds: Build a love relationship with a small group of children over time, so that they can see Jesus in you as you interact with them, encourage them to listen and apply the Biblical lessons, and as you reach into their world to love them toward living for Jesus.

Leaders: For a specific ministry area, provide the direction, leadership, and accountability necessary to accomplish the task. Leaders need to dream about the potential, plan out the details, and evaluate the results. All Children's Ministry leaders meet together the first Tuesday of each month for prayer, planning, and encouragement.

Helpers: Maximize our impact by coming alongside a teacher, shepherd, or leader to support them by sharing their load, being an extra set of hands, and encouraging them in their ministry role.

Support Roles: Allow leaders to lead, teachers to teach, and shepherds to shepherd by taking on an essential "talent specific" role that fits you well, freeing others to stay in their area of giftedness. Possibilities are endless, but include:

- Tech support—sound & technical needs
- Drama support—acting periodically in short vignettes
- Decorating—creating & maintaining kid friendly spaces
- Data entry—recording attendance and helping to maintain updated student records
- Photography—taking pictures and developing slide show and/or dvd's
- Publishing—creating flyers & postcards for publicity and parent/church communication
- Supply Room—keep our teaching supply room organized and well-stocked

Ministry Opportunities

Disciple Land For Preschool

During 9:15 & 11:00am services, 3-5 year olds



For more information contact:
Rhnae Blackburn, 343-1038
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Elementary Disciple Land

Sunday's during 9:15 & 11:00am services, K-3rd graders



For more information contact:
Bridget Haag, 342-1092
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Challengers Disciple Land

Sunday's during 11:00am service, 4th-6th graders



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Elementary SonSeekers

Sunday's between services at 10:30, K-3rd graders



For more information contact:
Sara Coltrane, 340-0763
secoltrane@gmail.com

AWANA Kids' Club

Thursday's 6:45-8:15pm, 4 year olds-4th graders



For more information contact:
Jim Wayman, 342-9321
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Challengers

Wednesday's 6:45-8:15pm, 5th & 6th graders



For more information contact:
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King's Kids

Sunday/Monday/Wednesday evenings & Tuesday mornings, K-6th graders



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Our Purpose

The purpose of children's ministries at TABC is to bring children into a lifelong, ever-growing relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

To that end, we desire to intentionally redeem every opportunity we are given with each child, to provide vibrant, relational, and meaningful encounters with Jesus.

For children who participate regularly in children's activities at TABC, we want to build into them foundational knowledge of who God is and how to live for Him and also provide practical opportunities for them to personally respond to Him in their growing faith.

*We want every child to **KNOW**:*

- Bible Basics
- How to pray
- How to become a Christian
- The importance of Christian community

*We want every child to **RESPOND** by:*

- Making a decision to accept Christ
- Living for Christ
- Practicing personal worship
- Inviting their friends to Christian activities

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