

KID'S CHURCH



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I can still remember the first time I talked to one my relatives about Kid's Church. Just mentioning the words brought a horrified look and response of "That's just baby sitting. They don't learn anything." Of course I wanted to hear where her definition came from so I dug a little deeper, "What do you mean by that?" She began to tell me about her experiences in children's worship. They put all of the children in a room watching *Veggie Tales* and completing coloring sheets. After her story, it made me realize that many don't understand what Kid's Worship really is. So my question is "WHAT IS KID'S CHURCH?"

A REAL KID'S CHURCH has worship music on their level. It allows kids to get excited, use hand motions, and teaches them to give their all in worshiping the King.

A REAL KID'S CHURCH challenges kids on their level. In thirty years of Kid's Worship, I have seen them start See You At the Pole at their school, actively share their faith, become prayer warriors, and become stronger in faith. While some children may be challenged in a Sunday morning service, many are simply not mature enough to take in and process the message adults receive through the sermon.

A REAL KID'S CHURCH is teaching the Bible on their level. In Kid's Church we use object lessons, memory verses, games and questions, that enforce the message. Many times the preaching contains words and terminology that a child does not understand. In Kid's Church they have the opportunity to dive into the word like never before.

A REAL KID'S CHURCH is training kids to be great leaders. I have had kids play instruments in worship, sing on the worship team, help teach the motions of a song or memory verse, run the games in question times, help set up for Kid's Church, voice prayers, and share testimonies. This how children learn to serve.

A REAL KID'S CHURCH allows kids to experience God where they are. It always amazes me to see a kid get passionate about their savior while they are singing, or they tell me how God is speaking to them. Why are we okay with them having this experience during the summer at camp but not at their own church?

As the Kid's Pastor I understand that some kids are taking notes and are really learning from the pastor's sermons, but I have also witnessed the exact opposite from some children. My policy has always been it is the parents' choice as to where their child worships. I have never made a child come to Kid's Church; however, I feel like Kid's Church offers many opportunities for your child to have a deeper relationship with Christ. I strongly encourage parents and kid's to come visit our incredible Kid's Church experience at Northside.

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AT A GLANCE

<i>Sunday</i> October 23	9:30a 10:45a 5:00p 5:00p 5:30p 6:00p	Sunday School Worship Service Discipleship Groups Prais Kidz/Prais Kidz Jr. The Collective Bible Study
<i>Tuesday</i> October 25	9:30a 6:00p 6:30p 6:30p	Ladies Bible Study Zumba Fitness for Women Celebrate Recovery Ladies Bible Study
<i>Wednesday</i> October 26	8:30a 6:00p 6:00p 6:00p 7:00p	Happy Agers AWANA Conversation & Prayer Discipleship Groups Worship Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i> October 27	9:30a 6:00p 6:00p	Ladies Bible Study Zumba Fitness for Women Saints Alive Quarterly Dinner
<i>Saturday</i> October 29	9:00a	Last Upward Flag Football Game

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<i>Sunday</i> October 30	9:30a 10:45a 3:00p 5:00p 5:00p 5:30p 6:00p	Sunday School Worship Service Upward Celebration Discipleship Groups Prais Kidz & Prais Kidz Jr. The Collective Hymn Sing
<i>Monday</i> October 31	6:00p	Fall Festival
<i>Tuesday</i> November 1	9:30a 6:00p 6:30p 6:30p	Ladies Bible Study Zumba Fitness for Women Celebrate Recovery Ladies Bible Study
<i>Wednesday</i> November 2	8:30a 6:00p 6:00p 6:00p 7:00p	Happy Agers AWANA Conversation & Prayer Discipleship Groups Worship Choir Rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i> November 3	9:30a 6:00p	Ladies Bible Study Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>Friday</i> November 4	6:00p	Date Night

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

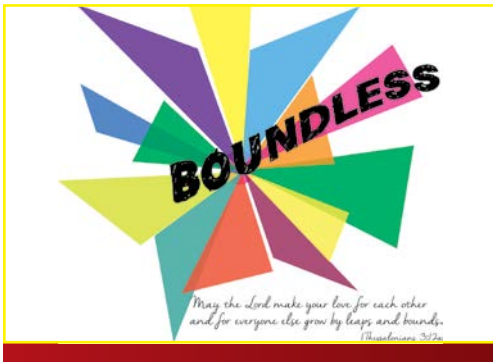


FALL FESTIVAL

October brings Fall and that means it is time for the Fall Festival. Join us on October 31 from 6:00 - 8:00pm for fun, games, food, and candy. There will be games for children of all ages. Kid friendly costumes are welcome.

We need help to make this all happen. We need candy. Individually wrapped candy can be dropped off at a Connect Center on Sunday or by the church office during the week.

We need workers. A list of opportunities is included with the Sunday School roll folder each week. You can also call Dave Benefield if you would like to volunteer to man a game.



MARY HILL DAVIS OFFERING

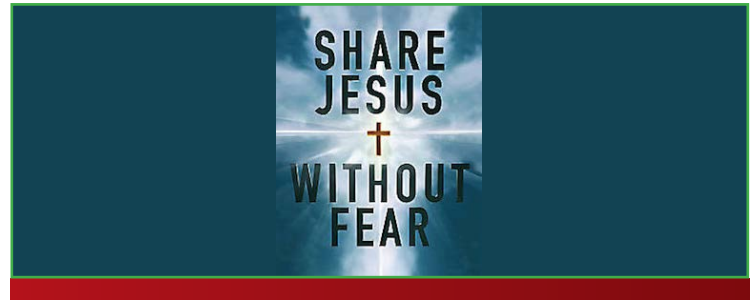
The Mary Hill Davis Offering is a special collection that all goes to Texas Missions. There are special envelopes in the pews, or you can mark your regular giving envelope with "MHD" so your gift will be properly credited to Texas Missions. Giving online? There is an option for MHD. Northside's goal is \$10,000. We have collected \$9,364 to date. Let's exceed our goal this year.

We will be collecting through October.



HYMN SING

Invite your friends to our Hymn Sing on October 30 at 6:00pm in the Worship Center. We will sing the old favorites with the added bonus of an orchestra. Hear some history on some of your favorites and even get to request one that isn't on the program.



SHARE JESUS WITHOUT FEAR

There is a new 4 week Discipleship Group - Share Jesus Without Fear. The group meets Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in D-144. The introduction lesson was last Sunday, but you are more than welcome to join us for the remaining sessions. This series is based on the method taught by Bill Fay.



UPWARD CELEBRATION

It seems like the season just began, but we are preparing for the end of season tailgate party on October 30 at 3:00pm. Come and cheer for the kids that played Upward Flag Football or for our Upward Cheerleaders. Everyone is invited.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Mmmm, I can smell that bacon. Mark your calendars for the Men's Breakfast on November 12 at 8:00am in the Student Center. Pastor Darrell will be speaking to you as you partake of this delicious breakfast prepared by our pastors.

:::SHORTLINES:::

SAINTS ALIVE DINNER: Reserve your seat for the Saints Alive Quarterly Dinner on October 27 at 6:00pm in Building D. Call the church office to sign up. We provide the main course, you bring a side dish.

THE COLLECTIVE RETREAT: There will be a retreat for the student choir, The Collective, this weekend. It is an in-town retreat at Northside. If your student hasn't registered, contact Tom Smith today. Be in prayer for these students as they serve and worship this weekend.

THE COLLECTIVE IN WORSHIP: The Collective will be leading in worship this Sunday. Come to support them. Come to worship with them.

DATE NIGHT: Mark your calendars for Date Night. November 4 there is childcare at Northside from 6:00 - 10:00pm. This childcare is free if you are attending a church fellowship, otherwise the cost is \$8 per child. Be sure to call the church office to register your child for child care.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: AWANA is collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. You can bring soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, wash cloths, combs, hair accessories, etc. to the church office. We also need school supplies. Cash contributions are always welcome because OCC asks for \$7 shipping fee per box.

THE MAJESTY OF CHRISTMAS: Ticket requests for Northsiders will begin November 6. Sign up for tickets in your Sunday School Class or at a Connect Center beginning that Sunday. Pick up your tickets the next Sunday. Tickets will be available to the public on November 14. Be thinking about who you can invite.

MUSIC & WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: Don't play an instrument? Too busy to sing in the choir full time? We need people for *The Majesty of Christmas*. Actors, singers, technicians, parking lot, etc. We are also starting a handbell ensemble. If you can read music, try it out. See Tom Smith if you are interested.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH: October is Pastor Appreciation month. Have you told your pastors how much you appreciate them?

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- November 4 - Date Night
- November 12 - Men's Breakfast
- November 17 - Last Zumba until January
- November 20 - no evening activities
- November 24 & 25 - church office closed for Thanksgiving
- November 27 - Quarterly Church Conference at 6:00pm
- December 9 - 11 - The Majesty of Christmas
- December 18 - Churchwide Breakfast
- December 23 & 26 - Church office closed for Christmas

THE RECORD SPEAKS

MINISTRY ACTION PLAN

Received October 9

Budget Receipts:	23,283.98
Designated & Other:	4,180.44
Total Weekly Receipts:	27,464.40

Received October 16

Budget Receipts:	19,535.31
Designated & Other:	3,408.20
Total Weekly Receipts:	22,943.51

Year-to-Date Need:	1,709,010.00
Year-to-Date Received:	1,694,477.35

BIBLE STUDY

October 9	448
October 16	452

WORSHIP

October 9	595
October 16	573

THE PASTOR'S BLOG

Scripture tells us, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 18:3). I have been giving a lot of thought to this truth as of late. God is calling us to walk in a relationship with Him that is reflective of the parent/child relationship. Obviously, this is not a call to immaturity, but a call to trust....*read more at* nbcvictoria.org/blog



You can give to
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ways:
Cash
Check
On-line
Kiosk



IN
FOCUS

FALL FESTIVAL

October 31 6:00 - 8:00pm
Volunteers & Candy Needed

— journey ^ together —

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9:30am Sunday School Groups

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