

New Testament Christian Church

Kids Church 1st Quarter Newsletter



Pastor's Corner

Issue 1

***There's something to be said for traditions.** We had many growing up in my family. They have provided great moments and memories that still bring a smile to my face. There was the Saturday morning breakfast of champions in the Crowley household: donuts! My dad would even take us along to pick them out while we were still in our pajamas. Saturday was also ice cream night. We'd eat our ice cream as we all piled on my parents' bed, listening as my dad read the picture Bible to us. Sunday nights consisted of popcorn and/or milkshakes; in the summer we would walk the pier and get ice cream. We had annual mud bowl football games at the school yard next door. It was a tradition after a good fall rain. Wednesday consisted of French toast for breakfast on days off from school; trips to the mall and the pretzel store, plus either the library or Grandma's house. There was always the holiday traditions of course ... leaving school early to go the movies the day before Thanksgiving (and mom wasn't allowed to come!); saying what we were thankful for before eating the thanksgiving meal; reading the Christmas story before opening presents on Christmas day; starting Christmas morning with my mom's "homemade" oatmeal; Christmas Eve at Aunt Carol's; driving around town looking at Christmas lights on Christmas night; hidden Easter baskets on Easter Sunday (with a time limit to finding them or else they got turned over to Pastor Dad!). The list goes on and on. Some traditions are still in existence today, some have been laid to rest. But the traditions I grew up have given meaning and memory to my life. Some have even helped shape and form me. Holiday time or not, work to build traditions in your family. Your kids will talk of them for years to come, and your family will be stronger and more unified because of it.*

Laurie Crowley - Youth Pastor

Kids Church News

Parents — As you know, the Kids Church classes are broken down by age group..

The Eagles class comprises the 10—12 years olds. Currently we only have a few "regulars" in that class, especially at the 11 a.m. service. Rather than schedule a teacher for that class and have only one child show up, or sometimes none, we have decided to combine the Eagles and Hawks (7-9 years olds) for a season.

As children move up and we have more kids in the 10-12 year old group , we will eventually go back to separate classes. They will still be considered Eagles and Hawks for all intent and purposes but they will be meeting in the middle classroom for the second service. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, feel free to contact Lynda Ventura or Stu Davis.



Teachers For January

9:00 Service

Mickey Mattle

11:00 Service

Sparrows

Jennifer Lloyd

Hawks & Eagles

Joanne Gunzburg

Lesson For January

James and John Ask to be Great

Help The Kids understand:

- * The story of James and John asking to be great in the kingdom.*
- * That Jesus defined greatness as those who serve others.*
- * That when we serve others, we are great in God's eyes.*



Memory Verse For January

Matthew 23 : 11

He who is greatest among you shall be your servant.





Teachers For February

9:00 Service

Mickey Mattle

11:00 Service

Sparrows

Kim Wilkins

Hawks & Eagles

Laurie Crowley

Lesson For February

John the Baptist in Prison

Help The Kids understand

** The story of John the Baptist in prison.*

** That John the Baptist was assured that Jesus was who He said He was.*

** That they can trust Jesus to be who He says he is.*



Memory Verse For February

John 10 : 11

I am the Good Shepard. The Good Shepard lays down His life for the sheep.





Teachers For March

9:00 Service

Mickey Mattle

11:00 Service

Sparrows


Gina Hall / Rebecca Santiago

Hawks & Eagles

Carol Mattle

Lesson For March

Saul Escapes in a Basket



Help kids understand:

- * The story of Saul escaping from Damascus in a basket.*
- * That Saul's life was changed by God, and he had to prove it through His actions.*
- * That our actions show others how God changed us.*

Memory Verse For March

II Corinthians 5:17

Sparrows: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

*Hawks & Eagles: Anyone who is in Chris is a new creation;
The old is gone, the new has come !*

