

# Children's Ministry Report

For May 20, 2015 Ad Council

Rhonda's Mission Statement: To teach the children to love God, love others and share that love with the world.

Our Children's Ministry team is basically just a couple of people, and we did not meet in May. Rhonda instead met with Meghan Riegerix and Pastor Carl for some brainstorming on VBS planning. There will be some June training meetings as soon as we get the majority of the VBS staffing completed. Our goal to finish staffing by June 5.

## **Possible New Fall Program - LOGOS**

I have not heard any recent comments on this possible future program. I had emailed most of the parents of the K-5 Alive children, but did not get much response. I will do more researching on this program when the bulk of VBS is planned and staffed. I am constantly in prayer about God's plan for this ministry.

## **VBS – EVERYWHERE FUN FAIR - Where God's World Comes Together**

Our four-day VBS is set for July 27-31. There will be a pool party at the public pool on Friday, sponsored by the Family Ministry Team. This theme is a world fair where we will learn that our neighbors are everyone from everywhere. We will get a glimpse of how God loves even our neighbors from such countries as listed below via video.

Dinner will be served at 5:15 PM, Monday-Thursday and the VBS portion will be from 6:00-8:30.

### **Our four Friendship Phrases will be:**

- Day 1: Neighbors are friendly! Love God with your whole heart! - Japan
- Day 2: Neighbors are giving! Love God with your whole being! - Zimbabwe
- Day 3: Neighbors are bold! Love God with your whole strength! – United Kingdom
- Day 4: Neighbors are forgiving! Love God with your whole mind! - Australia

### **The following staff positions are been secured:**

Assembly Leader – Meghan Riegerix  
Bible Storyteller – Pastor Carl  
Decorating Coordinator – Rhonda Smith  
Music Leader – Emilee Butner  
Missions Station Leader – Mandi Brown  
Group 1 Faith Guide Leader – Carla Grant

I placed my first round of VBS Sign-Up Sheets in the May 17 bulletins and received 5 back. Hope for many more the next two Sundays. I have about 45-50 positions yet to fill.

We will have a Missions Station this year and our suggestions so far are as follows:

- Bead Bracelets and/or necklaces for the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes.
- Homemade soup jars for the Local Food Pantry.
- Youth kits for the Festival of Sharing, which stay in the state of Missouri.

We would need one more mission for the fourth night of VBS.

Supplies to start collecting will be:

- Glass quart jars (32 ounces)....number yet to be determined; but if we want each child to fill a jar that could be anywhere from 60-80.

### **Summer Sunday School**

Teachers for the summer quarter (June, July, August) are as follows:

Pre-K - John Strange (Kim as helper with a couple of weeks off in June)

Grades 1-2 - Karen Shearer

Grades 3-5 - Rhonda & Jeff Linsley

Substitutes: Sandy Sunderlund, Rhonda & Roger Smith, Judy Headley

### **Acolyte Program**

We have had seven acolytes step off of the summer schedule. At this point, we are still able to keep the acolytes serving in both services; however, they are serving every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. We will plan to have an Acolyte training and pizza party in August. We have the possibility of four new 4<sup>th</sup> Graders joining us in August.

### **2015 Children's Ministry Calendar Dates**

Sun., May 24	VBS recruiting Video – 11:00 Service
June 8-24	6:30 PM, two – three VBS Training Meetings, Cornerstone Conference Room.
Sun., June 14	11:00 Service, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter SS Attendance Awards & Promotion Certificates
Sun., June 21	Both Services, Children's Choir Special for Father's Day, "How Great Is Our God" – with the Uplifters.
Sat., July 18	VBS decorating.
M-TH, July 27-30	6-8:30 PM VBS, 5:30 PM dinner for helpers & registered kids.
Fri., July 31	6:30 PM, VBS/Family Ministry Pool Party
Sun., Aug 2	Both Services, Special VBS Music
Sun., Aug 2	4:00 p.m. VBS Follow-up Meeting and VBS tear down.