

FIVE14 CHURCH
A Roadmap For The Next Generation

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ROADMAP





AS SOON AS I SAW YOU, I KNEW AN ADVENTURE WAS GOING TO HAPPEN.

— WINNIE THE POOH

**The moment you have a child, a new adventure truly begins.
Almost immediately, you start to wonder:**

*What will they look like?
What will they be like?
What interests will they have?
Who will they **become**?*

Through the many stages and phases of growing up, one thing we believe deeply is this: **what we do matters**. The path we lead our kids on shapes who they are becoming. The question isn't if they are being formed, but how and by whom. What role do you play? And what path are they walking?

The Path is a roadmap designed to help develop your child spiritually from the moment they are born until the day they graduate. Together, the church and the home partner to mark out a clear trail of faith, step by step, that your child can follow as they grow.



NO MATTER HOW MUCH TIME YOU FEEL YOU HAVE LEFT
EVERY WEEK MATTERS
IN THE LIFE OF YOUR CHILD

Before we can understand why the path matters, we first have to understand how much time we actually have.

From the day your child is born, the clock begins to tick...reminding us that every season matters and plays a role in who they are becoming.

936 WEEKS

From birth until graduation, you have approximately **936 weeks** with your child.

468 WEEKS

By the time your child reaches 4th grade, **half of that time has already passed.**

208 WEEKS

When your child enters high school, you have roughly **208 weeks** left until graduation.

100 WEEKS

By the time they get their driver's license, you're down to about **100 weeks.**



These weeks will pass whether we plan for them or not. Every week is shaping something. Every season is pointing them somewhere.

That's why The Path matters.

We want to partner with you to be intentional with the time we've been given—to walk alongside your family and help guide your child down a meaningful, Christ-centered path of formation, one week at a time.

Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Psalm 90:12



And so we start at the beginning of the path—

BASE CAMP

(Infant-Pre-K)

quite literally, at ground level.



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(Infant-Pre-K)



For our infants through Pre-K kids, our goal is to build a strong foundation of faith rooted in who God is and what He is like. At this stage, children are not learning complex theology; they are learning trust, love, and safety. Because of that, we focus on helping them see and celebrate the characteristics that make God good and dependable.

When children begin to understand that God is trustworthy, loving, and a protector, it sets them up for the journey ahead. Through our Brite curriculum, we introduce these foundational truths and so many more in age-appropriate ways:

- **God is a promise maker**
- **God is with us**
- **Jesus is Lord of all**
- **God helps us**
- **God is good**

At Base Camp, faith is formed through repetition, relationships, music, stories, and simple moments of wonder. This stage is about helping kids feel safe with God so that as they grow, they can begin to trust Him more deeply as they continue on the path.



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CAMPSITE #1

Elementary (K-5th grade)



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In the elementary years, faith begins to take shape as children grow in curiosity, understanding, and responsibility. This stage is about helping kids learn *not only who God is, but who they are, and how they were created to live.*

At this age, children ask deeper questions. They're learning how to make choices, build friendships, and understand right from wrong. Our goal during these years is to help them recognize God's presence in everyday life and begin to practice a faith that is active and personal.

Through our **Brite** curriculum, we emphasize these core foundations:

- **God has a story—and I'm part of it**
- **I can know God through the Bible and Prayer**
- **I can TRUST the character of God**
- **Jesus shows me how to live**
- **My choices matter**
- **I'm called to love others the way Jesus does**

During this stage, kids are invited to take what they've learned about God and themselves and embark on following Jesus in everyday life. They begin to see how faith influences the way they treat others, handle challenges, and make decisions. The path becomes clearer, and the markers help guide them as they learn what it looks like to live life the way God intended.



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CAMPSITE #2

YTH (6th - 12th Grade)



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In the middle school and high school years, we make it our goal to take the faith your child has established and teach them how to take ownership of it. These are the years they're starting to regularly attend church experiences like YTH Night without you, their parent, for the first time!

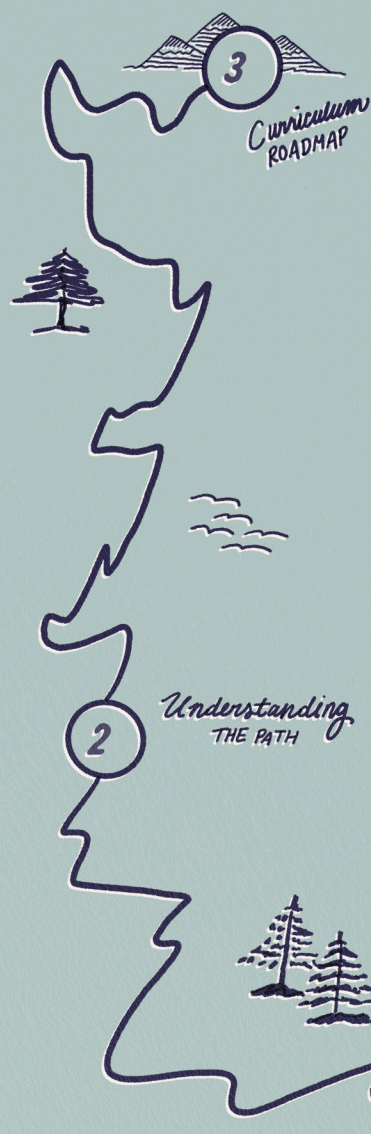
Students will engage in services designed specifically for them, where they can participate in worship and a message. Each service is followed by time in their small groups, broken up by their grade and gender, with leaders who walk beside them from 6th grade through 12th grade. These are the years we equip your child with the tools they'll need to walk into the world after graduation feeling confident in their faith, knowing who God created them to be.

Through curriculum written by our team, we focus on:

- **Biblical perspectives on relevant topics**
- **Practices that will translate into their daily life, like scripture reading and prayer**
- **Regularly engaging in praising God through musical worship**
- **Participating in Christian community with their small groups**
- **Helping students create an authentic faith of their own**

In this stage, your role as a parent will shift over the years. For a majority of the time, they'll need you to be the one who prioritizes their engagement! Bring them to YTH Night and encourage them to participate in the experiences we create for them. Once they can drive, help them establish routines where getting to YTH is easy. Continue the conversation at home by engaging in our weekly Parent Cue and utilizing the resources our team sends for specific series. This is the time for your child to take the faith you've raised them with and make it their own, but they can't do it without your love and guidance along the way.





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CLASSES & CURRICULUM ROADMAP

While our weekly ministry environments guide your child along The Path, we also want to walk alongside **you** as parents. These classes are designed to help you understand the journey ahead, know what to expect at each stage, and partner intentionally in your child's spiritual formation.

INTRO TO THE PATH

*HAPPENS DURING CHILD DEDICATION CLASS

(Infant-Pre-K / Offered Every Spring)

For most families, Child Dedication is the very first place you are introduced to **The Path**—the heart behind it and the spiritual journey we desire to walk with your children from birth through graduation. We talk through what spiritual formation looks like at each stage and how parents and the church partner together along the way.

Together, parents are invited to make a public commitment to intentionally invest in the spiritual lives of their children at a young age.

UNDERSTANDING THE PATH

(Kindergarten-12th Grade / Offered Every Fall)

This class is designed for parents of kids in Kindergarten through 12th grade. We'll walk through how **The Path** unfolds as children grow and develop, highlighting the goals and focus of each stage.

Parents will also break into age-specific groups to explore the tools, resources, and support available to help maximize your child's spiritual growth at every season along the journey.

CURRICULUM ROADMAP VIDEOS

(Elementary Families / Released Every August)

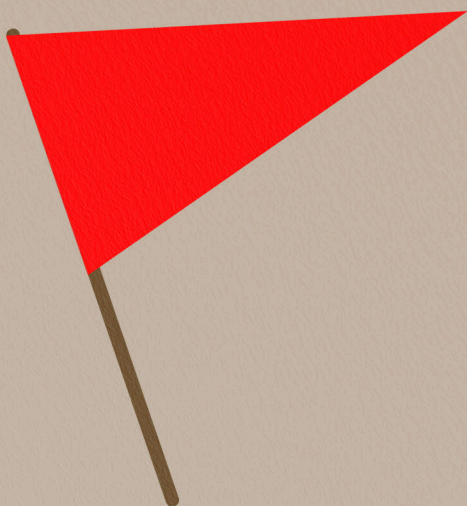
Each August, parents of elementary-aged kids are invited to view our Curriculum Roadmap videos. These short videos provide an overview of what your child will be learning throughout the upcoming year.

We'll highlight key themes, spiritual goals, and additional resources available to parents so you feel informed, equipped, and ready for the journey ahead.



CHECK POINTS

*Intentional moments along
the **PATH** to pause & grow*



As children walk **The Path**, there are intentional checkpoints along the way—key moments designed to help families take meaningful steps in spiritual formation. These experiences help mark growth, reinforce faith, and remind families they are not walking alone.



the **PATH** CHECKPOINTS

start
here!

CHILD DEDICATION CLASS

(INFANT—PRE-K / SPRING)

A foundational checkpoint where parents commit to raising their children to follow God. During this class, parents participate in prayer and simple practices that help establish God as a priority in their home. This is also the first time families are introduced to The Path and the spiritual roadmap we'll walk together.

WE SAY FAITH COMMITMENT CLASS

(KINDERGARTEN—5TH GRADE / SPRING & FALL)

Designed to help parents and children have meaningful conversations about the story of God and what it means to become part of His family, this checkpoint invites kids to begin articulating what they believe and how faith shapes their lives.

As part of this class, children and parents will also learn about the meaning and importance of baptism—what it represents, why it matters, and how it serves as a public declaration of faith in Jesus. This class helps families discern readiness for baptism and equips them to take that next step together with confidence and understanding.

BIBLE GIFTING

(3RD GRADE / FALL)

A special ceremony where third graders are gifted their own Bible, marking the importance of Scripture and encouraging kids to begin engaging with God's Word personally.

WE LIVE BIBLE CLASS

(4TH GRADERS & PARENTS / CLASS OFFERED TWICE PER YEAR)

A Bible class for parents and kids to explore what the Bible says, how we are supposed to read it, and how to incorporate it into our daily lives.

WE LIVE PRAYER CLASS

(5TH GRADERS & PARENTS / CLASS OFFERED TWICE PER YEAR)

A class where we will give you and your children practical tools to have a healthy prayer life, and how we can each build our relationship with God through daily prayer practices.

THE BLESSING

(OUTGOING 5TH GRADERS / EARLY FALL)

A meaningful ceremony where parents speak blessing over their children and share in communion together, marking the transition from elementary into the next stage of the journey.

RELATIONSHIPS & IDENTITY CLASS

(PARENTS OF 6TH–12TH GRADERS)

A class designed to equip parents to talk with their students about relationships, sex, and identity through a biblical lens, helping them navigate these important conversations with confidence and grace.

SENIOR SUMMIT SENDOFF

(12TH GRADE / MAY)

A blessing and sending moment for graduating seniors that honors where they've been and gives thanks for the journey so far. Together, we pray over what's ahead as they step into the next season of life, continuing to walk with God.



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MEMORY MAKERS



EXPERIENCES THAT SHAPE
FAITH FOR A LIFETIME

These special experiences are designed to inspire, equip, and engage kids and students in ways that complement their weekly ministry and The Path. They provide moments of fun, connection, and spiritual growth that leave a lasting impact.

KIDS CAMP

(PRE-K-OUTGOING 5TH GRADERS / JUNE)

The best week of your child's summer! Kids spend four days having fun, making friends, and learning about God and their role in His big story.

KIDS & STUDENT WORSHIP XP

(K-12TH GRADERS / SUNDAY MINISTRY EXPERIENCES / QUARTERLY)

An intentional worship experience where kids connect with God through music, prayer, and reflection, helping them grow in faith in a meaningful, age-appropriate way.

DAD CAMP

(K-8TH GRADERS / AUGUST)

A weekend getaway designed to encourage, inspire, and equip dads while providing meaningful connection time with their son or daughter.

THE WKND

(6TH-12TH GRADERS / LATE WINTER)

A winter retreat giving students a weekend away from their daily routines to grow spiritually, build friendships, and recharge emotionally and relationally.

PASSION CAMP

(7TH-12TH GRADERS / JULY, DAYTONA BEACH, FL)

A weeklong summer camp where students join thousands from across the country for powerful teaching, worship, and meaningful small group time that inspires lasting faith.

MEMORY MAKERS CREATE MOMENTS AND FAITH EXPERIENCES YOUR CHILD WILL NEVER FORGET

PARENTS

GUIDES ALONG THE PATH

The Path works best when church and home walk it together.

At Five14 Church, we believe parents play a critical role in shaping the faith of their children. While our weekly environments, checkpoints, and experiences are designed to support spiritual growth, they are never meant to replace the influence of the home.

Research consistently shows that faith is most deeply formed not in church programs alone, but through the everyday practices and conversations that happen at home. Those ordinary moments - car rides, bedtime prayers, shared meals, and honest conversations - carry lasting influence.

That's why The Path is built as a partnership.

We commit to walking alongside your family by providing clarity, consistency, and support at every stage of your child's journey. But the greatest impact happens when faith is practiced beyond our walls and woven into daily life at home.

You don't need to have all the answers. You don't need to do this perfectly. You simply need to be present, intentional, and willing to take the next step.

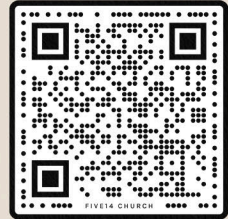


These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

PRE-K & ELEMENTARY

ALL RESOURCES AVAILABLE HERE



At Home: Monthly Family Calendar (from Brite curriculum)

*A simple rhythm for faith conversations, prayer,
and connection throughout the month.*

Pray Together: Lectio for Families

*A guided way to slow down, read Scripture, listen, and pray together—no prep
required.*

On the Road: Weekly Parent Podcast (released every Monday)

*A short recap of Sunday's lesson with prompts to help you continue the
conversation during the week.*

YTH (6-12TH GRADE)

Weekly Parent Cues

*An easy way to talk with your child about what they're learning at YTH
Night, questions to ask them, and prayers to share together.*

Parent Texts

*Sign up for our parent texts where we'll communicate important updates
and information about our YTH Ministry.*

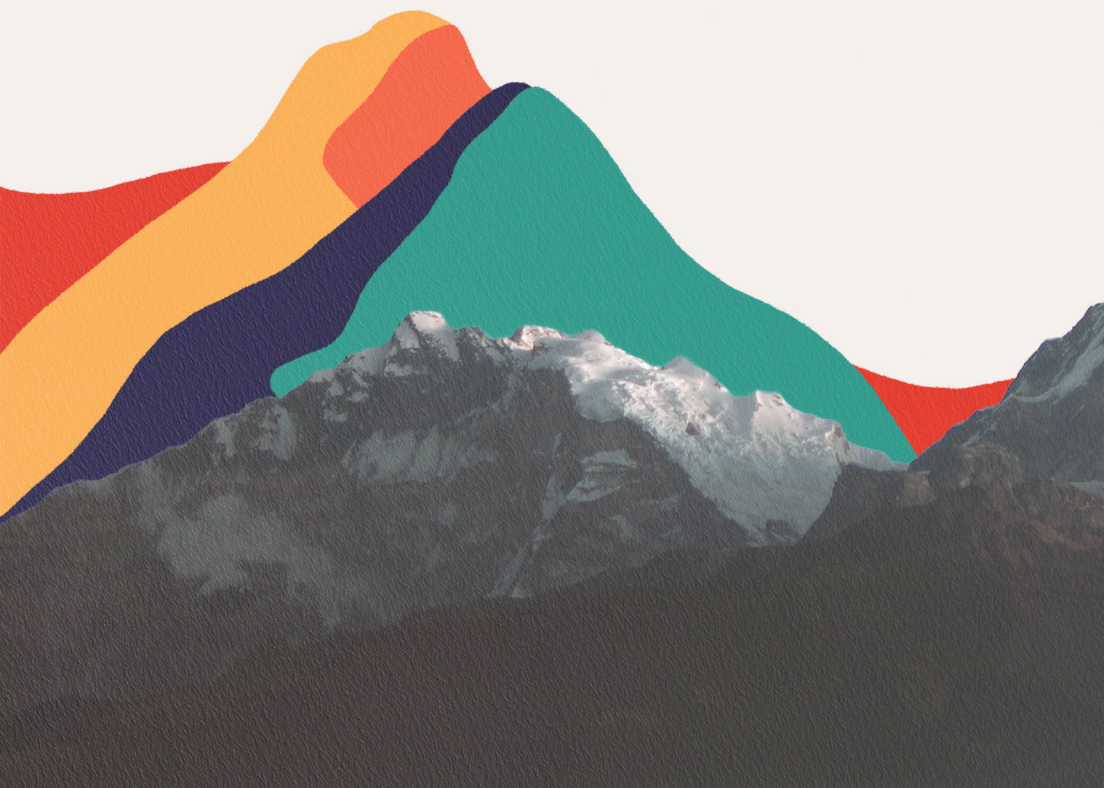
You can text "YTHPARENT" to 888-473-6144

**When church and home walk together,
faith has space to grow—and children
are formed for a lifetime.**

**“Faith is not formed primarily through information, but through relationships, practices, and repeated experiences over time.”
— Forming Faith**

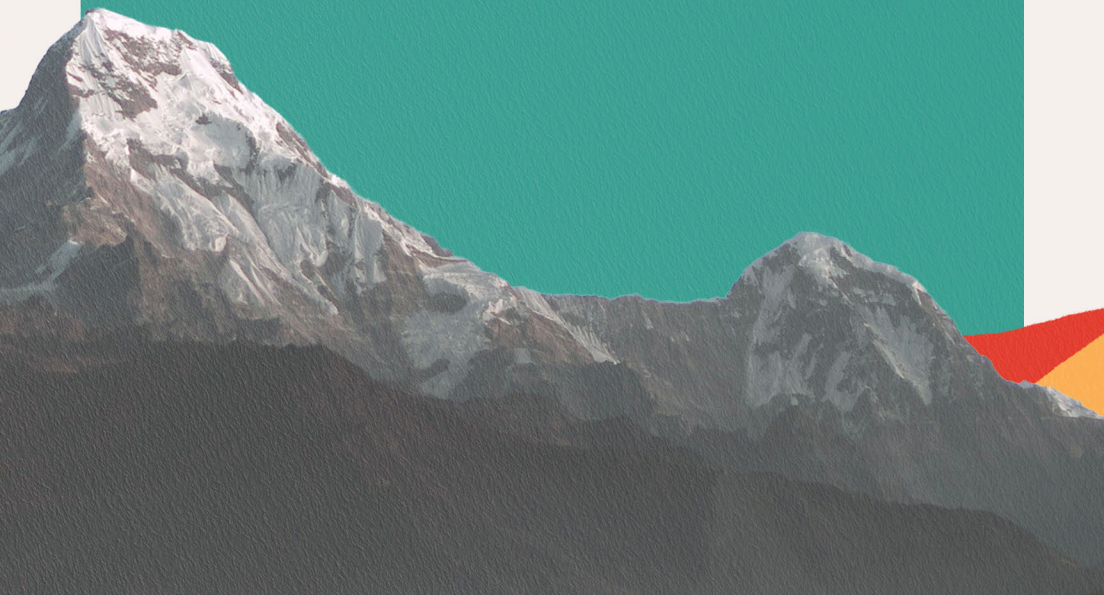
The Path is designed with this truth in mind - creating space for relationships, practices, and moments that help faith take root and grow. As parents, leaders, and a church community, we walk together, trusting God to do the forming work in each season.

One path. Many steps. Faith formed together.



now,

**LET'S GO
ON AN
ADVENTURE
TOGETHER!**





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*Start children off on the way they should go, and
even when they are old they will not turn from it.*
Proverbs 22:6