



Things to Pray About for Kids & Family Ministries

As you prepare yourself for this time of prayer, first spend some time focusing on the Lord. Remember His attributes that are meaningful to you and worship Him for it. Ask Him to show you His glory that you might live to glorify Him. Invite Him to work in your life and pray for His glory and Kingdom to grow in you, through you, and through our church. You may also want to spend some time confessing sin to Him, thanking Him for the forgiveness and grace that we have in Christ.

If you run out of things to pray about during your 30 minutes, pray for boldness and power in ministry in a general way. There may be people in our church that you want to pray for - do that. There may also be people you know, love, or live among who don't know Jesus - pray for their salvation. Ultimately, we want to pray that God would be glorified and that His kingdom would grow, so pray as He leads you. Pray for His Spirit to move in us and through us and pray that we would have open minds and ready hearts to follow Him as He leads.

Thank you for joining us in this.

Pastor Matt

1. **A Holy Spirit-Led Ministry**

Pray that every aspect of our Kids & Family Ministry would be led by the Holy Spirit. May our leadership team continually seek God's direction through prayer, listen attentively for His voice, and have the faith and humility to follow where He leads. Keep our hearts surrendered to Your plans and united in seeking Your will above our own preferences. Give us hearts that are quick to listen to one another, recognizing that You often speak through each member of the team. May we discern Your will together with wisdom, unity, and grace so that everything we do brings glory to You.

2. **Strong and Healthy Leaders**

Pray that more volunteers would step up and into the Kids and Families ministry – particularly for Children's Church and Mom to Mom... namely 5 more volunteers for elementary, 4 more for preschool, 4 more for toddler, 4 more for nursery, and 3 more for registration.

Pray that the volunteers will take on the mantle of a **COACH** this fall. Pray that they would **C**onnect with their kids; **O**wn (take ownership) of their small group; **A**ctively participate in Kids church; **C**hallenge their kids to take Next Steps; **H**ang in there – ministry can be a slow process. Pray that it will give them more ownership, more sense of belonging & purpose, and that they are much more than just volunteers.

3. Deep Spiritual Growth

Pray that every child would grow in their personal relationship with Jesus, develop a deeper love for His Word, and become more rooted in prayer and daily discipleship.

We start our new curriculum ("Wonder Ink") September 13th. We love how it dives into the bible and encourages kids to as well. Read directly from the bible, not a paper, or a screen, their actual bibles! Pray for kids to be bringing their bibles. For the transition to be smooth. For COACHes to buy in. For families to buy in. For kids to really know:

- A. God knows me.
- B. Jesus loves me.
- C. The Holy Spirit leads me.
- D. I am a child of God.

4. A Welcoming, Growing, and Hospitable Community

Pray that every child who walks through our doors would feel genuinely welcomed, loved, and connected. Ask God to give our kids and families the passion and the courage to invite friends, neighbours, and colleagues, so that many new parents and kids would find a place to belong and grow.

5. Healthy Families

Pray that marriages would be strengthened. We have lots of hurts in our families right now...from relationships, to financial, to kids' behaviours. Pray that the Lord would lead people into repentance and submission to Him and His ways.

6. Effectiveness in Sharing the Gospel

Pray that kids would hear, understand, and come to Jesus when the salvation invitation is given this year.

7. Curiosity in Faith

Pray that the kids, and their parents (!), would develop a deep curiosity about faith in Jesus Christ. Pray that they would ask honest questions and that we would meet them where they are at to teach the truth in ways that are both safe and inspirational.