



THE POINT CHURCH

**NEXT-GEN
PARENT GUIDE**



NEXT-GEN AT THE POINT

isn't just a ministry, it's a movement of families, leaders, kids & students growing in relationship with Jesus together.

We believe that every child and student was intentionally placed in your care by a God who doesn't do anything by accident. You are their greatest spiritual influence, and we're here not to replace you, but to walk alongside you. Whether your child is toddling into KidsPoint or navigating identity in StudentLife, our environments are designed to help them encounter Jesus, build deep relationships, and have a ton of fun while doing so.

We desire to strengthen your confidence, celebrate what God is doing and remind you: you're not alone. Our aim is to do these things by equipping you with practical tools and biblical rhythms that fit everyday life through small groups, memory verses, reach opportunities, and family resources. We desire to strengthen your confidence, celebrate what God is already doing, and remind you: ***you're not alone.***

From everyone in The Point family,
***we are so excited to go on this
journey with you and your family.***

**How good and pleasant it is when
God's people live together in unity!**

PSALM 133:1



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FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP PLAN

Now more than ever, it is challenging to raise a child in this world, let alone raise a child whose heart is after God's. The Family Discipleship Plan aims to help fill these massive needs through three main arms:

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

SMALL GROUP FOCUSED MINISTRIES

CONTENT INTENTIONALITY

Parents are the primary discipler in their children's lives, and we as the church must come alongside them, equipping & empowering them.

Additionally, children need other positive mentors in their lives who know them personally and can support their families. Lastly, children need to be intentionally taught what it means to follow Jesus and live a life for him that will lead to ***loving God, loving others & ultimately loving life.***



PARENT PARTNERSHIP

We believe the strongest spiritual foundations are built when church and family walk together. That's why we work to create practical, biblically rooted resources that help make discipleship feel realistic.

We're always working to strengthen our partnership with families and thoughtfully exploring new ways to support discipleship at home.

HERE'S HOW WE'RE LEANING IN RIGHT NOW:

OPEN LINES OF COMMUNICATION

Whether through Parent Groups or direct contact with our team, we're here to listen and encourage.

LEADER HIGHLIGHTS

Meet the voices your child hears in group, helping you connect names and faces.

PARENT RESOURCE HUB

Age-specific tools to guide spiritual and emotional growth from preschool through graduation.

TOPICAL GUIDES

Baptism and salvation conversation guide, in addition to faith-filled support for hard conversations (*identity, grief, friendships, doubts, culture*).

FAMILY EVENTS

Shared experiences to build faith, fun, and connection together.

[KP PARENT RESOURCES](#)[SL PARENT RESOURCES](#)

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

Here are some practical ways you can help us make the most of your child's time at church:



Pick a consistent service time and location to help your child build relationships with their leaders and make friends at church.



Practice the current KidsPoint Scripture memorization and main points with your child.



Connect with your child's leader and thank them for the support they offer your child.



Participate in reach events as a family to help your child see faith lived out.



Pray for your child each week as they come to church, and pray for our teams as they serve and care for your child.

SMALL GROUP FOCUSED MINISTRIES

Small-group-focused ministry creates space for deeper relationships, personalized discipleship, and consistent spiritual growth. When students are known and loved by leaders who show up week after week, trust is built—and gospel conversations thrive.

CONSISTENT TEACHERS & LEADERS

Consistent, joy-filled leaders build trust and meaningful relationships with students. That's why we prioritize weekly presence, affirmation, and co-leader support, ensuring every group is led by someone who knows your kid and speaks life into them.

RATIO MINDED

Small Groups should be just that: small!

We work to have around 8-10 students per group for effective, personal gospel conversation.

Students with access to a trusted adult were *5.6 times* more likely to report having supportive friendships and *5.7 times* more likely to have opportunities to develop life skills.

<https://psycnet.apa.org/record/2021-61563-001>



INTENTIONAL CONTENT

DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY

Our desire is for every child and student to walk away with a deeper understanding of God’s Word and a biblical worldview — no matter how often they attend. Whether they show up each week or come occasionally with grandma, we’re intentional about guiding them through a discipleship journey that helps them **know who God is, where they fit in His story, and how to live boldly in their faith as they grow.**

	FOCUS	OBJECTIVE
BIRTH - PRE-K <i>(2-5 YEARS OLD)</i>	Who is God The Character, Nature, and Names of God	Helping kids experience Christ’s love in a safe space that nurtures faith at church and home.
KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE	The Gospel framework/ worldview - Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration	How their lives fit into the story of God and are able to share the Gospel.
6TH - 8TH GRADE	Learning their Identity in Christ	Look through the lens of the gospel in their life and are able to communicate where their self-worth comes from.
9TH - 12TH GRADE	Living boldly for Christ through discipleship and evangelism	Able to communicate who God is, the Gospel, and their identity in Christ to their everyday worlds in living boldly for Jesus, & discipling others.



INTENTIONAL CONTENT

CONTENT ALIGNMENT

We believe in purposeful content alignment that builds a clear, age-appropriate discipleship journey—so families can grow together with shared truth and contextual understanding.

KIDSPPOINT ALIGNMENT

All age groups will learn from the same Bible verse and story each week, tailored to their developmental stage.

STUDENTLIFE ALIGNMENT

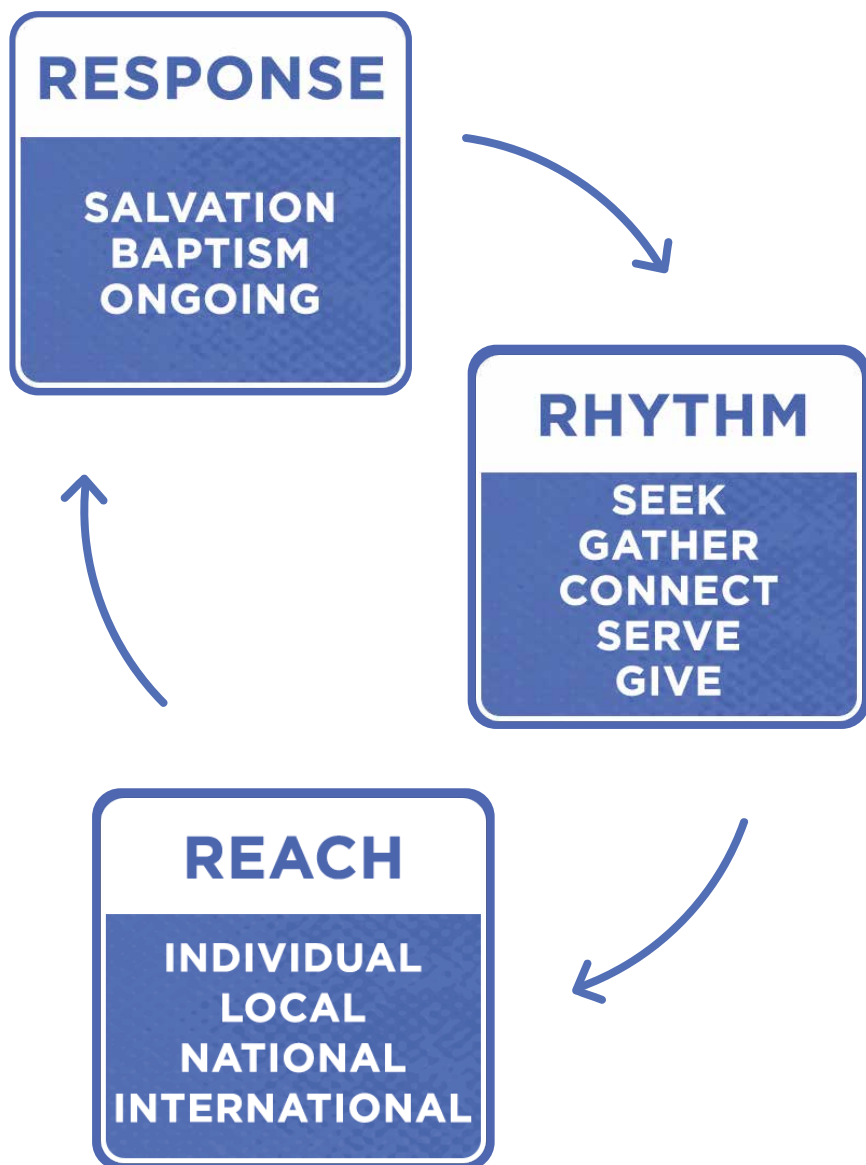
Curriculum is unified across middle and high school, with age-specific application and conversation.

WHOLE-CHURCH ALIGNMENT

At key moments, we'll align aspects of Next-Gen curriculum with the adult service to support shared learning and cross-generational discipleship.



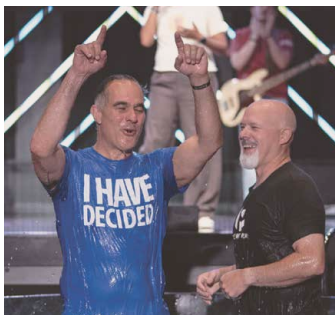
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We are constantly seeking ways to do so, ranging from implementing offering boxes in the classrooms and ensuring we are providing Reach opportunities.



NEXT-GEN STRATEGY

We believe reaching the next generation requires more than good intentions; it requires strategy, purpose, and prayerful focus. That's why every aspect of our Next-Gen ministry is filtered through a framework of ***Equip, Unify, and Mature.*** These pillars guide how we disciple, partner with families, and launch students into lifelong faith, and they shape everything we do today with tomorrow in mind.

¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

EPHESIANS 4:11-13



Students are hungry for depth and authenticity. We believe it is crucial to provide teaching and tools that are relevant, age-specific, and will equip students to have a lasting relationship with Jesus. We will achieve this through the implementation of The Intentional Life and content intentionality.

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CONTENT INTENTIONALITY

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Students seek relationships in any way they can, whether positive or negative. Our goal in Next-Gen is to help them cultivate unity with their peers, mentors, and families through the life-giving relationships their souls truly crave. We will achieve this by offering parent partnership and small group-focused ministry.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

Spiritual formation must happen in the home, where students spend much of their time. We will seek out ways to communicate effectively and equip families with a variety of tools that will make them feel more equipped to be the primary disciple-maker of their students when possible.

SMALL-GROUPS

Within Small-Groups, students get to know one another and discuss relevant faith topics among peers with the guidance of a consistent Small-Group Leader. By creating a safe and unified environment where students feel seen and cared for by peers and leaders, they will begin to get a taste of how Jesus feels about them and see the value of discipleship within a unified body of



Next-Gen aims to graduate mature Christians who will lead and serve beyond their time as students. We strive to create individuals with an authentic and lasting relationship with Jesus, a love for the church, and a heart to reach their neighbors, not just their youth group. We believe that when students identify and learn to operate in their giftings alongside other believers also operating in their giftings, it provides clarity for what God has planned for them after high school. We will achieve this by offering Reach and discipleship opportunities.

REACH OPPORTUNITIES

Like all of us, students desire to be a part of something greater than themselves. We will provide opportunities for students to look outside of themselves to serve others and realize they can actively impact the world around them. We will empower students to identify their spiritual gifts and use them to serve in and outside of the church locally, nationally, and internationally. This will be done by operating under the vision of The Point's Reach strategy, specifically local Reach with a heavy emphasis on targeting local schools.

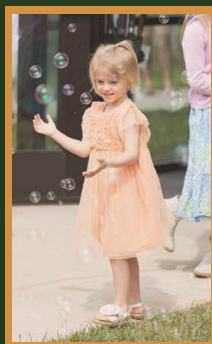
DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Students have unique influence and opportunities to lead and disciple in places others cannot. We aim to help students unlock the influence God has given them by providing practical leadership training and tools through unique opportunities to disciple others. Our goal is to meet every student right where they are and offer opportunities that cater to each stage of their journey through our involvement strategy. Beyond serving within the church, StudentLife will equip students to lead and disciple effectively in their schools and communities, empowering them to make a difference in their going.





We have a passion for seeing kids from all walks of life experience the love of Christ and have a personal relationship with Him. Our purpose is to carry The Point's mission, "Love God. Love People. Love Life." to the next generation. From the earliest age, we want to equip our children to live out The Intentional Life.



I HAVE NO GREATER **JOY THAN TO HEAR THAT
MY CHILDREN ARE **WALKING IN THE TRUTH****

3 JOHN 1:4

KIDSPPOINT

WHAT TO EXPECT & SAFETY

CHECK IN

Our Check-In Team will be there to greet you and assist with checking your child into KidsPoint. Both you and your child will receive a set of stickers with a matching code, also known as a “security tag”. This sticker is what you’ll use to pick up your child after the service. If we need to reach you for any reason, we will text you asking you to come to KidsPoint.

DROP-OFF / PICK-UP

Once your child is checked in, they can be dropped off at the appropriate room. Our team will be there to welcome your child to the service, add them to the roster, and help them connect with others in the room. At the end of service, a team member will verify that the code on your security tag matches the code on your child’s tag before they are released into your care. In the event of a lost sticker, we will use your photo identification to verify your information and help you through the pick-up process.

ALLERGIES

Upon a first-time check-in, we will ask for any allergens we need to know about. The allergens will then be listed on your child’s check-in tag. During our typical services, KidsPoint is an allergy-free area. We ask parents and Dream Team Members not to bring any snacks to KidsPoint containing peanuts, wheat, dairy, or soy. The only snacks given to a child are the provided allergy-free snacks or a snack they have brought from home. During special occasions, we will offer additional snacks such as ice cream, but when we do so, we are sure to provide an alternative snack for those with allergies.

SAFETY

In Next-Gen, we are committed to making every effort to ensure the safety and well-being of every child and student. With this in mind, all Dream Team serving in a Next-Gen area go through a screening process and are trained in safety and security protocols prior to joining the team.

We always have a trained first responder team to help ensure the safety of all our KidsPoint environments.



SERVICE ENVIRONMENTS OVERVIEW

Each of our KidsPoint environments is intentionally designed to engage children in the journey of learning and discovering the truth of God's Word. We desire that every child will come to know Christ personally, continue to grow in their relationship with Him, and be able to communicate the good news of the Gospel.

NURSERY

Nursery services are a place for our youngest children to learn about the love of Christ through careful nurturing from our Dream Team. It's not just childcare. Yes, we are happy to provide an opportunity for you to attend service without worrying about your little one, but we are also praying over and singing songs with them.

PRESCHOOL

During the preschool service, your child will participate in a well-crafted experience that includes worship, a learning experience reinforced with songs, Bible stories, and activities. We incorporate various elements in our services each week to keep children engaged and having fun, all while learning about Jesus.

We want kids to be able to describe who God is. We focus on the character, nature, and names of God

ELEMENTARY

Kindergartners through fifth-graders will have the opportunity to engage in dynamic worship and biblical teaching through our age-specific Small Group model. Together in their Small Groups, they'll learn about the Bible, how to build a relationship with God, memorize Scripture, and develop friendships.

We want every child to grasp the Gospel not just as a story, but as their story. Our goal is to help them understand God's big narrative of creation, redemption, and restoration and confidently share how their own lives are part of His plan



SERVICE ELEMENTS

WORSHIP

Children will engage in worship music through videos that pair with the curriculum.

PLAY TIME/ SNACK

For kids to interact with each other and Class Leaders - guided play stations (blocks, coloring, etc.) and have an allergen-free snack

LARGE GROUP

The Large Group time consists of biblical teaching, & engaging questions, and the monthly memory verse.

SMALL GROUPS

Kids will be led through questions that dive deeper into the teaching. This is to help them better understand the content as well as connect with their peers and leaders.

INTENTIONAL ACTIVITY OR CRAFT

This is to engage kids as they arrive and to get them settled into the environment. Often, the activity will be related to the lesson.

READING/ PRAYER

Kids will be led in a study and prayer related to the day's curriculum and will review the month's memory verse.

WEEKLY GOSPEL PRESENTATION

We never want to miss an opportunity to lead a child to come to know Christ in our elementary environment. Once they know it, we give them the chance to teach it to others.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Our curriculum gives us the ability to bring unity across all KidsPoint environments. Each month, every class will focus on the same Bible story, memory verse, and learning objective. This makes it easy for you to engage your child in faith-filled conversations at home.

CHECK OUT A PREVIEW HERE!

PRESCHOOL

ELEMENTARY



ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS

BUDDY PROGRAM

We're committed to creating environments where every child and student feels seen, supported, and able to thrive alongside their peers regardless of neurodivergence. That's why we offer a buddy system in both KidsPoint and StudentLife, pairing trained leaders with individuals who may need extra support to engage, connect, and grow in their faith with confidence.

CHILD DEDICATION

Child Dedication is a meaningful milestone where parents publicly commit to raising their child in the love and knowledge of Jesus, surrounded by a community of believers. It's a way to seek God's blessing, lean into spiritual support, and affirm that parenting is a partnership with God and His Church. By dedicating a child, families declare their desire to nurture faith in an environment where truth is taught, love is lived out, and Jesus is at the center.

**REGISTER FOR OUR NEXT
CHILD DEDICATION HERE!**





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STUDENT LIFE

StudentLife is the youth ministry of The Point for students in grades 6-12. We're passionate about seeing students from all walks of life experience Christ's love and build a personal relationship with Him. Our mission is to carry The Point's heartbeat "Love God. Love People. Love Life." into the next generation. We believe students don't have to wait to be the church; they can lead boldly, grow in their faith, and impact others right now.



**DON'T LET ANYONE LOOK DOWN ON YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE
YOUNG, BUT SET AN EXAMPLE FOR THE BELIEVERS
IN SPEECH, IN CONDUCT, IN LOVE, IN FAITH AND IN PURITY.**

1 TIMOTHY 4:12

STUDENT LIFE WHAT TO EXPECT & SAFETY

DROP-OFF / PICK-UP

Students are able to check in themselves, and parents are always welcome to help. We would love to meet you if we haven't already! Upon check-in in we will get parent contact information so we can reach out to you if needed.

Once the service is over, students will be dismissed freely. If you would prefer we dismiss them directly to you, no problem just let us know!

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During our large events and Sunday mornings, we always have a trained first responder team to help ensure the safety of all our Next-Gen environments.



SERVICE ENVIRONMENTS OVERVIEW

Middle School and High School ministries meet at different times to best serve students in the way they grow and connect. Each gathering is intentionally crafted to reflect where students are on their faith journey and help them take the next step.

MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEKLY PROGRAMMING

Middle schoolers bring the energy, and we embrace it! This ministry is all about helping students discover their identity in Christ in a fun, high-impact environment. Through teaching, games, and community, we guide them to understand where their self-worth comes from and how to view their lives through the lens of the Gospel.

HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY PROGRAMMING

As students mature, we focus on living boldly for Christ through intentional discipleship and evangelism. High school ministry equips them to connect with who God is and what the Gospel means to their everyday world. They're not just learning they're leading, living out their faith, and discipling others as part of the church right now.

ALL CAMPUS EVENTS

At key moments throughout the year, we intentionally bring together Middle School and High School students from all campuses to cultivate unity and shared purpose, reflecting our "one house, many rooms"



SERVICE ELEMENTS

WORSHIP

We aim to help students posture their hearts toward God and embrace an authentic relationship with Him. It's a space where vulnerability meets reverence, drawing them deeper into His presence.

There may be jumping

BIBLICALLY RELEVANT TEACHING

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SMALL GROUPS

Students gather with peers and trusted leaders to unpack the message, ask questions, and build relationships rooted in trust and discipleship.

FUN ELEMENTS

We lead with high energy and shared laughter to create a welcoming atmosphere where walls come down, connections are made, and inviting friends feels easy and natural.

FOOD

From nachos to nuggets, food isn't just fuel it's the fastest way to a student's heart. Sharing a bite builds comfort, opens conversations, and sets the table for deeper connection and community.

STUDENT LIFE



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RESOURCES**



In the quiet moments of parenting when questions rise, when fatigue sets in, when you wonder if you're getting it "right" hold tight to this truth: You are not alone. God walks beside you, equips you, and surrounds you with a community that cares deeply about your child's spiritual journey.

And it's not random that you are their parent. God, in His intentionality, chose you with your strengths, your quirks, your story to shepherd your child in faith. You're not expected to be perfect; you're called to be present. Called to show up, lean in, and trust that He will fill in the gaps.

So take heart.

**You're not just raising a child,
you're raising a kingdom-builder.**

And you're not doing it alone.

