

Treasure Seekers

Winter Newsletter

2012



Parents Partnering

We know that as a parent you are busy! But we also know that it is essential for you to be involved with what your child is learning in their Treasure Seeker's class. We want you to be a part of the experience they have so that we can partner better with you in helping your children grow in their faith. Because of this we will be requiring all regular attending parents (have attended Southview regularly for 2 months) who are not currently volunteering in Treasure Seekers to serve three times from September 2012 to September 2013. We will launch this new parent serve program in the fall, where we

will contact you in August and again in January to see what service and weekends you would like to serve on. If you have more than one child in our Treasure Seekers program, you are not required to serve three times for each of your children. Please note you are not required to teach, we have trained and screened teachers in all our classes. This is an opportunity to be present in your child's class as you help our regular screened volunteers during the lesson time, snack and activity time. If you would like to start your parent partnering experience this winter please contact our Treasure Seeker's Staff at

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treasureseekers@southviewchurch.com and we will be more than happy to place you in the schedule. For all parents please be ready and excited for this opportunity coming up in the fall, to not only experience what your children are part of but to partner with the Treasure Seekers Staff and the volunteers as together we help your child grow in faith! More information on this will be coming your way in our next newsletter.

Parent/Volunteer Meet & Greet

Mark your calendars For March 17/18!

Another great opportunity to touch base with the volunteers who are helping your children develop in faith. Come partner with them! More details to come!



Worship Update - Kingdom Builders and Club 56

This fall we launched our three new Club 56 worship teams! Our worship leaders have taken ownership of their teams and the Club 56 students that have joined the team. Together they lead a special worship service once a month. We have had three live worship services where the children are able to worship God in a new and exciting way. We are teaching them that a time of worship is a time to praise and be focused on God alone. As they are beginning to understand what worship means and how they enjoy worshiping God, their relationship with God is growing as they are building a faith of their own. This winter and spring we will be introducing new types of worship, during our once a month live worship services we will be spending the class time praising Him who made us, who loves us and who walks with us every day. Our worship services will take place on, January 21/22, March 17/18, April 21/22 and June 16/17. Encourage you to stop by the portable and join us for one or two songs as your children raise their hands and worship God.

Club 56 Worship Team:

WAY TO GO! We have enjoyed having you lead worship and praise God through your different talents; we have some great drummers, singers, guitar/bass players and piano players. Keep working hard as your leadership is shining through!

Bible Memory Verse Challenge

We have been having a monthly bible verse challenge for our preschool, Kingdom Builders, and Club 56 classes. Each month they all receive specific bible verses that relate to their lessons. At the end of the month we have a bible verse challenge, if they are able to recite their verses they receive a small prize. Parents we need your help in this...encourage your kids to memorize these bible verses. It is very important that they begin forming this habit at a young age!

Our goal in having them memorize scripture is that we want children to understand that having God's Word hidden in their heart (Psalm 119:11) will help them through all the years to come; scripture can be their sword (Ephesians 6:17). Every month we send out the bible verses or you can access them on our website at www.southviewchurch.com/ministries/children

FAMILY MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER EVENT

ARE YOU CURRENTLY A VOLUNTEER IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES, JR. HIGH OR SR. HIGH?
ARE YOU INTERESTED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING WITH CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES, JR. HIGH OR SR. HIGH?
THEN THIS LEADERSHIP EVENT IS FOR YOU.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2012
9:30 - 11:00 AM
SOUTHVIEW EVERGREEN CAMPUS
BRUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Come see and hear how we are seeking to combine critical influences in life to fuel the faith of the next generation. You will hear an overview of our Family Ministry Vision and experience specific vision training in one of these three areas:

1. Children's Ministry (Treasure Seekers)
2. Jr. High Ministry (QUAVE)
3. Sr. High Ministry (Revolution)

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11:00am Attendees

Parents we are experiencing a very high number of children at the 11:00 service, our classrooms are almost at their capacity for children, and there is no room for visitors. Because that is the service most visitors choose to attend, we ask that you would consider moving to an evening service. We have two wonderful evening services with full children's programs.

We encourage you to visit either our Saturday 6:30 or our Mosaic service (Sunday at 5:35pm) and consider making it your service. We have great volunteer teams at both services, that would love to have your children attend. Your child will be able to receive more attention as these services are not as busy as the 11:00. We ask that you please give this some thought. Please let us know if you have any questions!



PRAYER

Ever think prayer is intimidating and hard? You are not alone, here are two great ways you and your family can pray together! Let us know if you would like more ideas on how to pray as a Family, as you can support each other in prayer, increase communication and develop a consciousness of God's presence.

HERE ARE SOME IDEAS TO DO AT HOME!

POPCORN/SENTENCE PRAYER

You've seen popcorn pop. As the kernels are slowly heated the excitement begins with a few random kernels popping and then, when it really gets going, you have multiple kernels popping at the same time. The popcorn prayer is designed to do the same thing. Make a list of "heated" sentences that need to be completed. Choose one and ask your family to quickly (like popcorn kernels popping) complete a sentence with a word or phrase. No introduction or amen is needed. Simply allow words to pop up randomly until every kernel has popped. Then go to the next sentence. Here are some examples.

Lord, I thank you for....

Lord, forgive me for...

Lord, help our family...

Lord, please be with...

Lord, help me be more...

Lord, help me let go of...

Lord, give me the courage to...

MEALTIME PRAYER

Families are scattered in different directions throughout the day. If possible, schedule times when everyone can come together for at least one meal during the day. Use this opportunity of being together to pray together. My parents would always pray before every meal no matter where we were eating. That established a spiritually enriching ritual that remained with me into adulthood. Your family prayers may be spontaneous or memorized. Change the mealtime prayers as your children grow older. Here are a few you might want to choose from when you have younger children.

JOHNNY APPLESEED

Oh the Lord is good to me, and so I thank the Lord, for giving me the things I need, the sun and the rain and the apple seed. The Lord is good to me. Amen.

GOD IS GREAT

God is great, God is good, and we thank Him for our food. We're gonna thank Him in the morning, noon and night. We're gonna thank our God cause He's out of sight. We're gonna thank our God cause He's dynamite. Amen.

GOD BELOVED

(Can be sung to the tune of "Are You Sleeping?")

God beloved, God beloved, once again, once again. Thank You for our blessings, thank You for our blessings. A-A-men. A-A-men.

SUPERMAN

(Sung to the tune of "Superman"): Thank you, Lord, for giving us food! Thank you Lord, for giving us food! For the friends that we meeee-eeeet, and the food that we eeee-eeeeat; thank you Lord, for giving us food.

Doing Family Right

Parent Equipping Conference

February 10, 2012 from 6:45 pm to 9:30 pm.
iParent Series: Formatting the Next Generation
Session 1: Building Confident Kids
Session 2: Leaving a Spiritual Impact

Marriage Equipping Conference

February 11, 2012 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Fusion 2:1
Session 1: The Laws of Attraction
Session 2: The Gravity of Baggage
Session 3: The Acceleration of Connection
Session 4: The Drag of Fiction
Session 5: The Combustion of Passion

Tickets for one or both conferences can be purchased online at www.southviewchurch.com. The Conferences will be held at Southview Alliance Church Evergreen Campus Please visit www.doingfamilyright.com for more information.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



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Service Times

Evergreen
Saturday 6:30 pm, Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am
imago dei
Sunday 10:30 am
Mosaic
Sunday 5:35 pm

Worship Weekends:

January 20 & 20
March 17 & 18
April 21 & 22
June 16 & 17

Bible Verse Memory Challenge

Last Weekend of each month!

Summer Spectacular

Monday July 2 to Thursday July 5

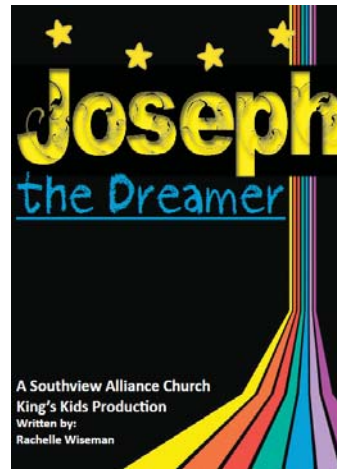
Club 56 Socials

January 20
February 24 - At First Alliance
April 20
June 8

Spring Family Outreach Event

Wednesday, April 25

Next Long Weekend - February 18 & 19



King's Kids

Our choir for children in grades 1 through 6 will be performing "Joseph, The Dreamer" on the weekend of May 5 & 6 at the Saturday 6:30pm and Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am services. Children can join the choir up to January 29, 2012 at the cost of \$25.

Plan to come to a service on that weekend and hear the musical of the story of Joseph!

Core Teaching Truths

In Family Ministries we have three core teaching truths based on the vital relationships of God, Others and Self. Each of these truths are separated into age appropriate groups of children.

Ark Builders (Birth to Kindergarten)

1. God Made Me
2. God Loves Me
3. Jesus wants to be my forever friend.

Kingdom Builders (Grades 1 to 6)

1. I can trust God no matter what
2. I need to make wise choices
3. I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

The goal is to have each child know these truths by the time they enter into the next group. Each of the truths are incorporated into our curriculum throughout the years. It is to build wonder, discovery and passion in their spiritual lives!

Dates to Remember