



## **Welcome to Friendship Kids**

We're glad you're here! During services while you get a chance to relax, decompress and hear God's great plans for you - your kids get a chance to do the same thing. In one of the coolest, safest, age-appropriate environments, they're having a blast, being creative, interacting and learning about the love of God.

## **What to Expect**

As you and your child approach our check-in area, you will be greeted by a member of our Friendship Kids Check-In Team and directed to our Guest Check-In area. Be prepared to provide your name, email, phone, child's name, date of birth, school grade, allergies and any known accommodations. You will receive a name tag for your child and a corresponding security tag for yourself. Please note that parents are not allowed to stay in the Friendship Kids classrooms. All serve team members have been through a screening process, including backgrounds checks, to ensure the safety of your child. Now you're ready to drop your child at their age-appropriate class and go to service.

### **Nursery**

Friendship Nursery is the place where children under three come to discover God's love. Using First Look curriculum, we focus on teaching babies and the youngest preschoolers three basic truths: God Made Me, God Loves Me, and Jesus Wants to be My Friend Forever, Our dedicated team of servants strive to create an environment where children can experience the love of God and learn the truths of His Word.

We are passionate about children learning about Jesus in a way they understand. Our environments and lessons are created based on the physical, mental, and emotional needs of each child. Age appropriate small groups are provided for children 6 weeks through age two during each adult worship service on Sunday mornings.

### **Preschool**

Our preschool classroom is packed full of fun. In large group, creative storytellers teach the truths of the Bible. Worship leaders lead the children in fun, action-packed songs. Preschoolers are introduced to small groups where they begin exploring their relationship with Jesus. They participate in engaging activities to incite wonder in their hearts. Each month we focus on one of three basic truths that we want preschoolers to know before they leave Paradise Park.

**God Made Me  
God Loves Me  
Jesus Wants to Be My Friend Forever**

We want Sunday to be the BEST DAY of your child's week. The following will help you understand what the Sunday morning experience is like.

As soon as they arrive, they participate in a SOCIAL activity that is designed to grab their attention and introduce the Bible story.

Then they travel to Large Group, where they hear a creative presentation of the Bible story and participate in praise and worship, where they are encouraged to sing and dance and interact with the leaders.

After Large Group, they return to their small group leader, where they talk about what they've learned and how it applies to their young lives. They will also pray together as we teach them what it means to talk to God.

During the last part of their morning, they will participate in several creative, fun activities designed to help them better understand the key truth of the day through a hands-on experience.

We provide snacks each week. The list of snacks will be posted each Sunday outside the classroom door. If your child has allergies, please be sure to notify the small group leader or the check-in person.

Preschoolers are promoted to the next classroom based on their birthday. They will move to their new class on the Sunday following their birthday.

## **Elementary**

Cool worship, fun, crazy games and timeless lessons that capture and keep their attention are just a few of the things that await elementary students each week. Creative storytellers present the Bible story in large group. Small group leaders help kids know how the Bible stories, written thousands of years ago, can apply to their lives as an elementary student today. Small groups provide a forum for kids to open up and share their questions and comments in a safe, loving environment. Every week we focus on one of three basic truths:

**I Need to Make the Wise Choice  
I Should Treat Others the Way I Want to Be Treated  
I Can Trust God No Matter What!**

Children will also learn about the most important relationship they can ever have – a relationship with Jesus!

### **Family XP**

The first Sunday of each month, families have a unique opportunity to worship with their elementary-aged children in the Orange Center for Family XP. Family XP gives parents the tools to begin a spiritual conversation that will continue all month long. Through drama, music, games, and more this dynamic worship experience introduces parents and kids alike to the virtue students will be discussing and learning to apply.