

Families with Children Ministry Group

Membership: Chair, Vice-Chair, 3 Sub-Group Leaders, at least 12 additional voting group members (total of 17)

Purpose: To coordinate all phases of the church's ministry to families with children from birth through 5th grade. In that, we seek to provide space and opportunity for families with children to experience the love of God, encounter the transformative story of Jesus, and participate in God's creative work of Love in the world as we explore and grow together in faithfulness.

Duties:

Overall

- Provide ongoing evaluation of the church's ministry to families with children to ensure that the needs of children, parents and families are being met physically, emotionally and spiritually.
- Recommend and publicize policies and procedures pertaining to this ministry area.
- Assist in preparing necessary recommendations for budget process.
- Plan and coordinate all church programs and ministries for children, parents and families.

Fellowship

- Plan, promote, and carry out fellowship opportunities and special events for children, parents, and families.
- Work with Church Fun and Fellowship Ministry Group to create intergenerational and/or church-wide fellowship events pertaining to families with children.

Formation

- Plan, promote, and carry out formation opportunities for children, parents, and families.
- Provide support and training opportunities for volunteers.
- Develop and offer enrichment activities that provide parent education and support. Work with Adult Education Ministry Group when needed.

Mission

- Plan, promote, and carry out mission opportunities for children, parents, and families.
- Develop means of outreach to families with children (both internal and external).
- Work with International, Community and Denominational, and Justice Ministry Groups, as well as the Formation subgroup, to create intergenerational mission activities pertaining to families with children.

Meetings: Monthly meetings are required.

Reporting: Written reports will be turned in to Team Leaders monthly. Recommendations for action will be submitted to the Team Leader one week prior to the Ministry Council meeting.