GRP Ministry and

Kids Church

Role Descriptions

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| Ministry | Kids Church |
| Vision / Purpose | To inspire and nurture a generation of children, to be grounded in faith, equipped with the love of Christ, and empowered to live out their Christian values in their daily lives.Kids Church aims to teach children the foundational stories and principles of the Christian faith, helping them understand the bible through story-telling, conversation and various activities. This might include stories from the Old and New Testament and teachings of Jesus. Beyond the stories and lessons, Kids Church seeks to help children develop their own relationship with God through prayer, worship and reflection. |
| Operating days and times | Sunday morning during Sunday worship service, throughout the regular school term |
| Operating Site | At local congregation |
| Target participants | Usually primary school & high school aged children. Kids Church classes for K-2, Years 3-5, 6-8. 9-12. |
| Brief description of the ministry activities | Depending on the congregation mission and purpose and level of commitment to Kids Church, there are a variety of ways/formats congregations can engage in Kids Church.1) Kids Church can occur an hour before the Sunday morning service, or on another day of the week.2) Kids can participate in the Sunday morning service and then transition to their Kids Church class before the Sermon commences.3) Kids Church will run as a separate program at the end of the Sunday morning service. |

ROLE DESCRIPTIONS

Volunteer Team Member

* Must hold a current WWCC and have been inducted into kids church volunteer ministry
* Create a safe space for all involved in Kids Church
* Helps children to feel welcome
* Supports / facilitates conversation and connection between families; actively seeks those who may seem isolated to know they are welcome to join; provides pastoral care where appropriate and refers to the team leader if families require more considered support.
* Supports the curiosity of the children when exploring biblical themes and stories
* Supports the team leader in identifying hazards or problems that may have arisen
* Helps pack up at the end of the session, including team prayer time

Team Leader

Further to the above role:

* Organise Kids Church program and curriculum and communicate to volunteers
* Ensure all materials are ready for each Kids Church lesson
* Supports, encourages and guides the team
* Works with the team to set vision and expand the ministry where appropriate
* Provides pastoral care to the young families, kids and the team where appropriate
* Provides periodic reporting to the church / church council on the ministry