

New Community Church Children's Ministry Vision Psalm 78:4-5

Ministry Mission

To declare to every child the Biblical wisdom that leads to salvation and spiritual maturity by grace alone, through faith alone, in Jesus Christ alone.

Goals

- Biblical Teaching

We will use a systematic approach to Biblical instruction that provides each child with an understanding of salvation and the whole counsel of God in the Bible and prepare them for successive stages of instruction.

"All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."
II Timothy 3:16-17 (NASB)

- Teach to shape the children's understanding of the authority of Scripture and acquaint them with the whole Bible.
- Use materials that are doctrinally sound and age appropriate.
- Equip the child with Bible study skills that will serve as a foundation for growth.

- Active Discipleship

We are committed to being leaders who exemplify the righteousness, grace, diligence, and service that encourages the spiritual growth of children.

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15 (NASB)

- Encourage children to trust in the character and promises of God.
- Guide children to recognize their sin and to respond in repentance and in faith to God.
- Help children develop a Biblical mindset and a Christian worldview.
- Exhibit Christ-like character and spiritual growth to our children.

- Parent Involvement and Encouragement

We purposefully welcome parents into the planning and execution of the ministry, seek regular feedback from them, and actively influence them to embrace their God-given stewardship of their children.

"Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up."
Deuteronomy 6:4-7 (NASB)

- Assist parents in their primary responsibility of training their children in the Lord's instruction.
- Provide parents with tools and instruction.
- Provide an environment of open and frequent communication with parents.
- Include parents with children of various ages on the Children's Ministry Leadership team.



- Proficient Leadership

We value excellence in teaching, discipling, and leadership that reflects the high calling we have to minister to every child.

"Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:1-3 (NASB)

- Train and equip those who serve in leadership/teaching positions.
- Enlist committed teachers and volunteers who are following Christ and who faithfully pray for the children, parents, and volunteers.
- Commit the leadership team to seek unity and balance and to glorify God in all actions and words.

- Evangelism / Service

We will provide opportunities for our children to share the love of Christ and the message of the gospel with others.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord." I Corinthians 15:58 (NASB)

"You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." II Timothy 3:14-15 (NASB)

- Communicate the gospel to those who are a part of NCC Children's Ministry and to those who are outside of NCC Children's Ministry.
- Teach our children how to share the gospel with others.
- Create intentional opportunities for our children to share the gospel and exhibit the love of Christ with others.

Values

- Biblically-minded: We are uncompromisingly committed to the Scriptures as our ultimate, defining source of truth and the guiding light for ministry strategy and practice.
- Holy Spirit-dependent: We are dependent on the sovereignty of the Spirit of God to bring children to faith, repentance, and sanctification.
- God-glorifying: We seek to do all things in a manner that exalts and gives glory to the true and living God and to be worthy of the calling of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Joy-filled: We are a ministry team that is characterized by a joy and enthusiasm born out of our own growing knowledge of the Savior.
- An effective learning environment: We will provide an orderly, well-equipped atmosphere for instruction that maximizes learning opportunities for every child.
- Participatory: We are committed to an instructional approach that invites the active participation of every child in learning activities and engages their minds in reading and discussion.
- Nurturing: We promote a loving, nurturing atmosphere that encourages spiritual growth and values the dignity of every child.
- Safety-focused: We will exert every effort to provide an active, thorough, and accountable process that ensures the physical and emotional safety of every child placed in our care.

"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen."

Romans 11:36

