## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

#### Teaching The Truth In Love



#### MISSION STATEMENT

To provide a Children's Church service that:

- -Introduces and settles children (K through 4) into a loving and trusting relationship with Jesus Christ.
- -Gives children an age-appropriate understanding of what it means to be a Seventh-day Adventist Christian according to Scripture.
- -Facilitates an opportunity for children to experience voluntary, biblical, and authentic worship of their God.
- -Trains children for rewarding participation in their local church's worship service.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To provide 14 Children's Church events.
- 2. To organize Children's Church teams (of three to six individuals) that will be responsible for facilitating Children's Church.
- 3. To organize a:
  - a. Puppet Ministry group that can serve the needs of Children's Church teams.
  - b. Children's Church Music group that can serve the needs of Children's Church teams.
  - c. Children's Church Media group that can serve the needs of Children's Church teams.
- 4. To provide a Children's Church experience that:
  - a. Centers each event around one Scripture verse or passage.
  - b. Designs the event to reach all learning styles.
  - c. Establishes biblical principles of worship.
  - d. Is user friendly for both adults and kids.
  - e. Encourages economy, innovation, a spirit of outreach, and personal spiritual growth for all involved.
- 5. To create a kid-friendly, multipurpose, visually pleasing, worshipful environment.
- 6. To organize a Children's Church support system that keeps all participants informed, equipped, and empowered.
- 7. To keep the local church family informed and involved in Children's Church.



## ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGN

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#### TEAM PARTICIPANTS

EVENT EXECUTIVES
ROLE MODELS
WORSHIP LEADERS

## RESOURCE MINISTRY\* GROUPS/PEOPLE

Special Ministries Special Events [puppets, drama, music, media]

#### TEAM COORDINATORS

EVENT PLANNING PARTICIPANT COORDINATION

#### Children's Church Manager

Communication Scheduling Coordinating Resources

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH COORDINATOR

Shared Vision Development
Clarifying Mission/Manage Tracking
Strategic Planning/schedule
Coordinate Resource Sharing Process
Empowering Team Leaders
Coordinating Resources

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH ADVISORY

Pastoral Consultant Children's Ministries Coordinator Church Board Representative

\*Independent of Children's Church organization.

## ELEMENTS & ISSUES

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- 1. Church bulletin announcements concerning Children's Church.
- 2. Monthly Children's Church Update mailing.
- 3. Facility arrangements

Sound

Equipment: Amplifier, Cassette Deck, CD Player, Microphones, Mixer

Lighting Spots and area floods (placement and central controls?)

Visual design of space

"Front" area (Singing, puppets, presentations, media, chairs)

Story-telling area

Small group corners

Activity area

Outiside area for activities.

Rules in graphic form

Children's chairs (borrow or purchase?)

- 4. Registration / Name Tags / Attendance recording (enforcement of age restrictions)
- 5. Eight-part Worship Event (Scripture based, God centered, grace oriented, designed to reach all learning styles, consistent, providing a variety of activities and modalities)
- 6. Puppets (Two sets of characters: 1. Dusty & Feather, 2. Rufus & Patty)
- 7. Music (master list, printed &/or transparencies, scripture songs, live or canned)
- 8. Media (video, monitor, screen, projector, etc.)
- 9. Use of "areas"
- 10. Youth involvement:

Behavior supervision

Bathroom access

Keeping track of children

Safety

- 11. Overtime strategies
- 12. Material resources (weekly and special needs)
- 13. Children's Church Planning & Review Sessions (Quarterly)
- 14. Team meetings (at discretion of teams)





## WORSHIP IN SPIRIT & TRUTH

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Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."

John 4:23, 24.

PRINCIPLES	"IN SPIRIT"	"IN TRUTH"
How Worshiper Perceives Principles	INTUITIVELY (Through Experience)	INTELLECTUALLY (Through Ideas)
How They Happen	Influence of the Spirit Galatians 5:22-26	Influence of the Scripture. 2 Timothy 3:15-17
Aimed at	The Heart	The Mind
Reveals	God's Love	God's Love
Results in	Empowerment	Enlightenment

# **ORGANIZATION**

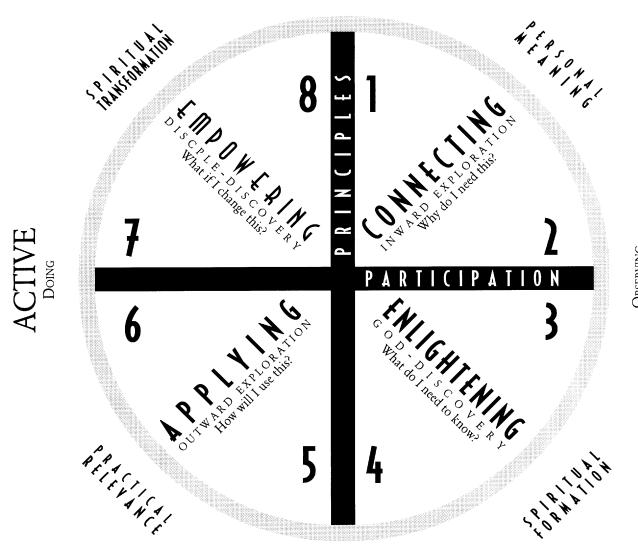
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### "IN SPIRIT"

HEART



REFLECTIVE

"IN TRUTH"

Mind