



Dear South Hills Family,

We know that Jesus loves children and regards them as a high priority. Matthew 18:10 tells us, "...their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven". Down here on earth, when the disciples tried to chase away the children because they thought He had more important things to do than bless them, He rebuked them. "Let the little children come to me ... for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these," He said, as He took them in His arms.

This is why we at South Hills Church know that our Family Life Children's Ministry is where some of our most important investment is done. But to do it we need the help of your willing hands and hearts.

We ask that you invest one or two hours a month, from now through September, to serving in the Family Life Children's Ministry on Sundays. We are seeking both men and women, young and not-as-young-as-you-used-to-be, quiet contemplatives and loud rejoicers - whatever kind of person you are, Family Life Children's Ministry can use you.

We serve children from infants to 5th grade, during both Sunday morning services. In other words, you can spend your hour cuddling a baby, guiding young children through activities designed to open their hearts to Jesus, or interacting with older kids who may be just starting to come to grips with some of life's tough questions. If you sign up to work with elementary age kids as a team leader, there may be some simple prep to do at home. No prep is needed to care for the little ones, or to serve as a helper with the older kids.

Our dedicated team will make sure you have all the materials you need ready and waiting when you arrive at your room. Truly, all you have to do is show up, have fun, and love on the kids. But don't be mistaken - even though it doesn't sound like much, God will use that hour or two you give to touch their lives in extraordinary ways. During that time you will, in a very real way, be Jesus' hands blessing the children.

And the amazing thing about this? The kids will bless you right back. As Jesus reminds his followers, "...unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." While we're preoccupied with our busy adult lives it's easy to forget how to do this. When you spend an hour immersed in Family Life Children's Ministry, you hear comments that range from hilarious to profound (and sometimes are both at the same time). You share stories that you may have heard a hundred times, but that become new when you listen through their ears. You receive uncomplicated hugs that remind you how much you are loved.

Are you ready to grow with the children?

Reach out to the Family Life staff (Heidi, Clifford, and Matthew) to get connected!