



Hiz Kidz Ministry News
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Summertime Fun!

I think the most cherished memories of my life come from spending time with my cousins (who were much more like siblings) and enjoying all of our summer time adventures. We played outside, used our imaginations, made our own 'movies,' and audition tapes for Star Search; we made memories that will last a lifetime. Many years have passed (more than I care to mention), yet we still frequently talk about those memories made. This summer I feel that the Lord wants me to encourage and remind you to enjoy your children and your families! Drink in every moment! As believers, sometimes we often focus on the numerous responsibilities we have and it's easy to forget that the Lord wants to bring us joy! He wants us to enjoy life and it is His desire for us to experience refreshing and renewal. During the summertime we welcome vacations and relaxation designed to temporarily escape all of the troubles that life can bring; but summer will end soon and we will fall back in to our regular routines. But I'm reminded today that we always have a place that we can run to and become refreshed, renewed, and restored. No matter the season, the Lord welcomes us at any time to come to Him and be encouraged and given strength to face each new day. When I am overwhelmed, I often remind myself that when my son grows up, I'm sure his most cherished memories won't be whether or not the house is clean or how hard I worked to keep everything running smoothly. But he will remember when I stopped what I was doing to have an impromptu swim night, arranged for a sleepover at our house as a surprise, and he'll look back at all the times we made s'mores by the fire pit. He'll treasure that time that we spent together. I'm praying that this season will be a time of renewal, refreshing, and that you and your family will take the time to make memories that you will treasure, but more importantly I pray that you'll run to the Father and experience the joy and life that He brings to us any time we ask. Happy Summer!

Having a Blast: Upcoming Events

The Zone

Ready to race? Join Hiz Kidz for an exciting time at The Zone Batting Cages and Go Carts on Saturday August 27th @ 2:00. Various pricing packages are available based on different attraction available. We hope to see you there!



Launching Pad

Join us for a day of fun on Saturday Sept 10th as we head to the Launching Pad Trampoline Park in Salem. We will plan on meeting at the church at 10:00 a.m. All participants must have completed a signed waiver online prior to the event. Children ages 6 and under must have an adult attend the event as well. Please see children's pastor Ashley Rutter for more details and to sign up.



And the Story continues...

Our 1st-5th grade class will continue to work our way through the Bible. The Gospel Project for Kids has proven to be a great way to show how Jesus has a way of showing up in every part of the Bible. In every story, in every passage, and in every person, the Bible always points us to Jesus. The more opportunities we have to point our children to Christ, the more they will look to Him for guidance in the future.



A Heart of Praise

Having a heart of worship is vital to Children's ministry!! It is my vision that one day Hiz Kidz ministry will have their own live worship team. Will you join me in prayer concerning this? Thank you for supporting this ministry!



Rewards Cards

You may have heard the buzz about our rewards program. Each child has received their own 'rewards card' to earn attendance points, points for bringing their offering, Bible, inviting a guest, and other special events. At the first of each month, they can then redeem their points for prize items in our Hiz Kidz 'store.' If you are able to donate inexpensive items such as bouncy balls, bubbles, candy, nerf guns, hula hoops, coloring books, markers, stickers, dollar tree toys, books, games, etc. any donation is greatly appreciated!

Plugged in

Is the idea of teaching a class not for you? No problem! There are MANY ways for you to get involved. Here are a few ways you can still help:

- **Donate items for our treasure chest/prize box**
- **Work at the sign in/sign out table**
- **Offer to make or donate snacks/juice boxes**
- **Offer to help with tidying up the class rooms/organization**
- **Pray, pray and pray for our kids and for our staff!**

Thank You for letting us serve your children!

