

Please Note: All Children's Ministry workers have undergone and obtained a "clear" background check.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What time is Sunday School and when can I drop my child off?

Berea's Sunday School ministry runs from 9:00-9:45 each Sunday morning. Children should be dropped off to their classroom no earlier than 8:55 AM to allow time for our teachers to be prepared for their arrival.

### How does pick-up work after class?

In order to create the safest environment possible, we request that parents of children in 2nd grade and below, pick their child up directly from their classroom as close to 9:45 as possible. Children in grades 3 and up will be dismissed directly from their classrooms, unless other arrangements are made with your child's teacher.

### What do I need for Sunday School?

All Sunday School participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles each week, regardless of age. Berea Bible Church encourages the use of the "New King James Version" or the "English Standard Version" as this matches the translation used during our morning worship service. The church does have Bibles available for use each Sunday morning. Youth group members and adults are encouraged to bring something to write with—all children will have supplies provided by the church.

### Who do I contact if I have other questions?

Please feel free to contact Pastor Mark Gainer at: [markgainer@bereabiblechurch.org](mailto:markgainer@bereabiblechurch.org) with any questions you may have.

### Additional Weekly Opportunities

Junior Church (Ages 3-6): During Morning Worship Service

AWANA (Ages 3-6<sup>th</sup> Grade): Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM

Youth Group (Grades 7-12): Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM

Small Groups: TBA

\*\*See website for schedule changes due to holidays/special events\*\*

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## Christian Education Ministry Guide Spring 2026

March 1- May 31, 2026

Berea Family and Guests,

Berea Bible Church takes the Bible's call to disciple one another seriously. 2 Timothy 3:16 tells us, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness." With God's Word as the foundation for our educational programming, we desire to come alongside parents as they teach and train their children and challenge adults to grow more closely into the image of Christ. We encourage you to view this guide to gain a deeper understanding of our various Christian education ministries that we have at Berea. Our hope is that you and your family find these offerings to be engaging, challenging, and relevant for today's world.

Pastor Mark Gainer

## Adult Sunday School

These multi-generational classes, allow adults in a variety of stages of life to come together weekly to study God's Word, and gain practical applications to use in their daily lives. Each quarter, Berea is pleased to offer "electives" which allow for adults to choose a course of most interest to them.

### **Spring Quarter Adult Elective Offerings:**

#### **A Study of the Sermon on the Mount**

Teacher: Pastor Mark Gainer

This class, which is a continuation from the summer, fall, and winter quarters, on the Sermon on the Mount, will explore Jesus' transformative teachings in Matthew 5-7 diving into themes of kingdom living, righteousness, and discipleship. Discover how these timeless principles challenge and inspire us to live faithfully in today's world. This sermon is as relevant today as it was back then! Participants will be encouraged to apply Jesus' teachings to their own lives in very practical ways throughout the course.

#### **A Study of Heaven**

Teachers: Michael Greenwood

How much do you know about Heaven? The Bible tells us a lot about where we will spend eternity. We will address some of the following questions in this exciting class:

How many Heavens are there?

Has anyone seen Heaven?

Is there time in Heaven?

What will we do in Heaven?

We will try to answer these and many more questions about life after death.

Join us for an exciting study!

## Children's Sunday School

### **Nursery: Infant to 2 Years Old**

Our workers are trained to provide a safe, loving, and secure environment for all children. We provide both a secure and sanitary nursery in order to allow parents to give their full attention toward worshiping and serving Berea.

### **Toddlers: 2 and 3 Year Olds**

#### **Beginners: 4 and 5 Year Olds (Kindergarten)**

Teacher: Beth Kitchen

NOTE: This quarter, the 2s and 3s and 4s and 5s class will be combined together due to the number of children in both groups.

This quarter, students will learn about Israel's history, studying how God provided for His people and helped them even in captivity. Children will also learn that Jesus died and rose from the dead for their sins. Students will learn to count on God's presence in times of need.

### **Primary: 1st and 2nd Grade**

Teacher: Lee Gragg and Emily Lopes

Primaries will learn that God cares for them and deserves their worship and praise, that Jesus died for them and rose from the dead victorious over sin and death, and that they can count on God when facing difficulties.

### **Middlers: 3rd and 4th Grade**

Teacher: Ellen Williams

Third and fourth graders will study the beginning and growth of the early church by looking at various scriptures in the book of Acts. Students will be encouraged to spread God's Word as they look at how they early apostles and disciples did that in the first century.

### **Juniors: 5th and 6th Grade**

Teacher: Victoria Greenwood

"Junior" students will learn to use their God-given tools to win battles against sin and live for God's glory. They will be challenged to use their time wisely and their talents and gifts to their fullest in their service for God.

### **Junior High/High School: Grades 7-12**

Teacher: Wes Stephens

Throughout the Spring, the youth will be working through several different topics and book studies. All youth between grades 7-12 are invited to attend each week!