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," 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 Mark Gainer, Assistant Pastor at: markgainer@bereabiblechurch.org with any questions you may have.

Additional Weekly Opportunities

Berea Bell Choir (Ages 9+): 9:45-10:00 AM Sunday Morning Children's Church (Ages 3-5): During Morning Worship Service AWANA (Ages 3-6th Grade): Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group (Grades 7-12): Sundays from 4:00-5:30 PM Adult Bible Study: Sundays from 6:00-7:00 PM **See website for schedule changes due to holidays/special events**

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Christian Education Ministry Guide Fall 2023

September 3-November 26, 2023

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 Brian Miller
Senior Pastor

Mark Gainer Assistant Pastor

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.

Fall Quarter Adult Elective Offerings:

"Identity: Life in Christ" A Study in Ephesians Teacher: Mark Gainer

As believers, our identity is wrapped up in Christ. This course expounds on that essential truth and helps participants better understand how to live it out each day. Learners will grow in their appreciation of God's grace and be better equipped to meet His purpose for their "new" lives in Christ.

Pillars of the Faith

Teacher: Mike Greenwood

We often study characters from the Bible and learn how God worked in their lives in both the Old Testament and the early Church. This class will focus on modern pillars of the faith and what we can learn from them. We will study individuals like Martin Luther, D.L. Moody, and Billy Graham and understand how God used them in a great way to continue His ministry. What can we learn from their spiritual journey and how can God use us in a similar way?

October Missions Month:

Join us each Sunday morning during the normal Sunday School hour to hear about various missions ministries!

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

Teacher: Beth Kitchen

Our toddlers will learn that obedience pleases God, that God provides for us, and that we should thank God. The children will be encouraged to obey and to give thanks.

Beginners: 4 and 5 Year Olds (Kindergarten) Teacher: Lara Gainer

Our "Beginners" will learn to be selfless and loving as they study Ruth and Hannah. Through their studies of Kings Saul, David, and Solomon, they will learn to be devoted to God, courageous for the Lord, forgiving, and kind to others, even to enemies.

> Primary: 1st and 2nd Grade Teacher: Jeannette Miller

First and second graders will learn who Jesus is through the accounts of His baptism and transfiguration, and several other miracles. The children will learn to love Jesus and desire to know Him more.

Middlers: 3rd and 4th Grade

Teacher: Ellen Williams

Third and fourth graders will be learning about the different names of God and His character revealed through them.

Juniors: 5th and 6th Grade Teacher: Victoria Greenwood

Junior students will study David's heart through his psalms and Solomon's wisdom through his proverbs. The psalms will teach students God's love and care for them. The proverbs will teach them God's wisdom for life's decisions and challenges.

Junior High/High School: Grades 7-12 Teacher: Justin Schlatmann

This quarter, Berea's youth group will be doing a study through the book of James. James is a very practical book for Christian living that lays out how we are to live as Christians. Students will explore the major themes of the book: our hope as Christians, what genuine faith is, and what it means to serve one another.