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.

<u>Additional Weekly Opportunities</u>

Junior 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): Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 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 2024

September 1 to November 24, 2024

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 Mark Gainer
Senior Pastor 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: "End Time Faith"-- A Study in 1 and 2 Thessalonians

Teachers: Mike Dantzer and John Jewers
Participants will see that Paul's letters to the believers in Thessalonica gave
them relief from anxiety caused by doctrinal confusion concerning the end
times. Paul explained the coming of Christ at the Rapture and the resurrection
of believers. His teaching encourages us to live in light of Christ's any-moment
return, serving God faithfully. This course will be extremely practical for living
in today's world where similar confusion is present.

Parenting from the Tree of Life

Teacher: Dana Love

This course is designed for parents of children from pre-school to high school. During the course, which will continue into the Winter Quarter, participants will study God's Word to gain wisdom in parenting on the topics of relationships, character development, encouragement, and correction.

Father, Son, and Spirit: A Study of the Trinity

Teachers: Pastor Brian Miller and Pastor Mark Gainer

The Trinity is a foundational doctrine in Scripture, but it often times misunderstood and misapplied. During this course, participants will study both the Old and New Testament to learn what God has revealed about each person of the Godhead. In addition, participants will study the historical development of this doctrine, and some modern misinterpretations.

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 Jesus is a friend and that Jesus used His power to care for the sick and needy. The Bible lessons will encourage the students to be friendly and thankful.

Beginners: 4 and 5 Year Olds (Kindergarten)

Teacher: Cierra Phillips

Our "Beginners" will will learn that life comes from God, the Creator of all. They will also learn that God provided His grace for new life as the only solution for sin. The children will rejoice in their Creator and understand their need to trust in Jesus as their Savior

Primary: 1st and 2nd Grade

Teachers: Suzanne Deardorff and Lara Gainer

First and second graders will learn about God's plan for creating the world. They will recognize God as their creator. They will also learn God's plan to save the world through Christ, beginning with God's provision for Adam and His promises to Abraham. Students will be encouraged to trust in Christ as their Savior.

Middlers: 3rd and 4th Grade

Teacher: Ellen Williams

Third and fourth graders will start to learn the Bible timeline, beginning with God's creation of the world. They will cover the book of Genesis to discover that God solves the problem of sin by His mercy and grace. Students will recognize God as their creator and be challenged to trust in Christ as their Savior

Juniors: 5th and 6th Grade

Teacher: Victoria Greenwood

Junior students will cover Genesis 1—9 to learn important lessons about God's attributes, His creative acts, and His plan to save the world. They will also be challenged to believe in God as they consider evidence for Creation and the Flood.

Junior High/High School: Grades 7-12

Teacher: Justin Schlatmann

This quarter, the youth will will learn that tuning in to the Bible is worth it because it is God's inspired Word. They will also understand the basic steps of Bible study and how to put them into practice. This course will equip them to study Bible passages on their own. Students will learn that proper theology leads to proper application of the Bible.