

Why Kids Ministry?

Why do we need to minister to kids?

In a world that is filled with so many distractions, technology of every form within hand reach; Kids need Jesus. With all these elements capturing their minds and hearts from birth; Our kids need Jesus.

So Why Kids Ministry?

1. To Save a Child's Whole Life

When a child receives Jesus, an entire life is saved. Saved from hurt, heartaches, death and most of all hell. He or she can take a right path. They can accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Therefore, it is the duty of the parents to ensure that the child is in Kids ministry to hear and learn God's word.

In 2 Timothy 3:15 it says,

"...from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

Children become wise when they know and follow scripture, not only when they read well and do Math and Language. They must also be applauded for knowing God's word.

Proverbs 22:6

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

The popular attitude today is we underestimate kids, thinking they won't understand spiritual things. A very sad situation that turns bad a few years later. However, Jesus did not see it that way. Mark 10:14 – 16 reads;

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. 14 When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. 15 Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." 16 And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

Kids ministry has the responsibility to save a whole life for eternity.

2. To Save a Family

By being a part of Kids ministry, we save families. As we bus kids into our ministry, the lessons we teach, are the ones the kids take home. When God change them, they can be that light and that example in the home, and God honors that.

Isaiah 11:6b ... **and a little child shall lead them.**

Most times we underestimate the power of what we do when we have them in our care, about what they can learn and what they do not learn. Let us leave it to God and do our part.

And then, for the parents who are in church, we save those families as well.

There comes a time in one's life when parents want to listen to God, to hear Him speak. In these times, there is a need for time and space, no distraction, just wanting to worship God. Everyone needs that time and young parents deserve it even in church. So, kids ministry provides this opportunity for them to be fed undistracted, so they can gain new spiritual energy to cope with each day.

Kids ministry does save families.

3. To Save a Church

What would a church be without kids?

Maybe...

A tree without blossoms, a cake without frosting, a flower without petals and we could go on and on.

Kids in a church shows that life exists in the church. It saves a church from dying. There would be no future if there were no kids to carry the torch. Kids who see, grow and learn what happens in a church can impart such in time to come. What we teach and what we display before them serves as the blueprint for what will be built tomorrow. Are we cognizant of that?

4. To Save a Nation

We do nation building when we teach kids in Kids ministry. We are teaching the values we want our world to have. We are saying we want a Christian nation, not just now but for our children and their children and generations to come.

Joel 1:3

Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation.

Deuteronomy 6 : 6 – 8

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

It is a legacy that we are passing on, and it is crucial how we do it.

So, as we seek to cherish and embrace our Kids Ministry at Providence, let us serve in such a way, knowing we can save a soul from hell. Parents, know that giving your child to Jesus is the best thing you could ever do. When you send them to church, you are investing in their eternity. If our lives were broken, let us give them a chance to have whole lives in Jesus.

We are here on purpose, let us serve with that purpose of helping to raise up a generation that will honor God's kingdom.