



Declaring Jesus Christ... Caring for People

2009 Annual Report

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“Partnering with parents in equipping children in God’s Word and for living a life committed to Jesus Christ.”

I’m very grateful for another year working with great people create a Children’s Ministry Department that proclaims God’s Word in a way that challenges the children and our families to know God personally through Jesus Christ and also to learn more and more how to live out our faith in grace. I, Deanna Allen, completed my second full year as Director of Children’s Ministries and Pam Ferguson continued to make a significant positive impact as Children’s Program Assistant. There are several areas that fall under Children’s Ministries. Here’s a summary of what has been happening this year:

Sunday Mornings

The nurseries (birth through 2 ½) and Sunday School (2 ½ through 6th grade) continued to offer care and classes during both Sunday morning services. Most of the time, different but complimentary curriculum is taught so children are welcome and encouraged to attend both hours of Sunday School. We are using DiscipleLand Curriculum in all Sunday School classes.

Nursery and Toddlers - Gina Katen continues to coordinate the Sunday morning nursery and toddler ministry. Gina has had a consistent staff of about 7 people and together they are providing a loving, clean and safe environment for the babies.

Sunday School – As of December 2009, we have 47 wonderful and dedicated teachers and helpers serve each Sunday morning in our Sunday School, starting at age 2 1/2. We average around 140 children a week, but we have a lot of flux in numbers. God continues to faithfully provide the people needed for this critical ministry.

Sunday School Worship – God placed it on the heart of Jane Knee and Janna Blancaflor to lead a 15 minute time of worship with the kids in both services each week starting in September 2009. They have brought a special, unique and a little bit old fashioned style that the kids seem to really enjoy. I like that they are learning songs and ways to worship that are new to them, although familiar to many adults. Jane and Janna always add a little bit of interesting teaching and history which really draws the kids’ attention. Tricia Sanger gave a Christian History lesson on Thanksgiving during this Worship time on two Sundays in November and, this also, really interested the kids. I hope to continue and even expand utilizing Tricia Sanger’s love and knowledge of history to give our children a perspective different from what they learn in school.

Summer Sunday School - This summer we tried something new in the 1st through 6th grade ages: we combined 1st – 3rd and 4th – 6th. Both classes studied the Book of Daniel and also watched short clips throughout the summer of the Pilgrims Progress movies. The kids especially liked the prophecy sections of Daniel, even though they were very challenging concepts. We also continued our