

A Kids' Club Passport To Adventure

Deep Blue Travel Log:
May 2018

Until Next Year...

It's hard to believe I'm even writing this: another year has come to an end. I know it sounds cliché, but it seems to go faster and faster each year! It feels strange to be preparing for summer activities, camps, Vacation Bible School and more!

This year was a very successful year for Kids' Club! 'Deep Blue' curriculum was an amazing addition to our programming! We were able to learn about different cultures, different parts of our world, and immerse ourselves into the Word in a kid-friendly and fun way... each and every week.

With a HUGE amount of help from Carrie Troyer and Sarah Lentz, we were able to switch to a "rotation" system, where we explored our story through reading, seeing, crafting, snacks and games... each and every week! It's been a WONDERFUL year!

The Lord's Prayer

Our large focus for the Lenten season was learning the Lord's Prayer, and what it means. Each week we learned new section and added a colored bead on to a bracelet. Each colored bead was representative of the meaning of each piece of the prayer.

The last couple of weeks we've been testing the kids individually to see how well they've retained everything we've learned. And let me tell you all, they have done AMAZING! We presented several certificates on Wednesday, April 25th, to every child that could individually recite the prayer (with or without their colored beads). We even had kids as young as Pre-K that met this awesome goal!

We were also able to present 5 certificates to kids that were able to correctly identify the colors and meanings of each part of the prayer! Pretty impressive!!

Thanks for your support at home!!

Character Focus:

This year, we not only read and discussed the Bible stories as individual stories, but had a monthly character focus that we used in our discussions and activities together. We used these as springboards as to how we could keep the spirit and love of Jesus alive in our every day lives. Our character focuses throughout the year have included:

Attentiveness
Loving Kindness
Wisdom
Preparation
Community / Harambee
Courage
Honor
Trust



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Join us, with your family, for our spring
SERVICE SUNDAY on April 29th!

END OF YEAR BASH:

Join us to celebrate the end of another
great year with a baseball themed evening
on **Wednesday, May 2nd from 5:30-7:30!**



This year was a year of trying new things. Not only did we “dive deep” into new curriculum, but we also revamped our class format and made it a 3 station rotation. In order to break our group (of often nearly 30 kids!) down into manageable sized groups, there were 3 of us working together to make things happen.

I want to say an extra special THANK YOU to Sarah Lentz and Carrie Troyer. Through a winter of sickness, and all the craziness that we overcame, I couldn't do any of this without you two!



SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES 2018

For those that helped with the pancake breakfast fundraiser: You should have received a note from Sonja regarding what your family has earned towards your child(ren)'s camp fund! Registration forms and deposits are already due. If you have any questions regarding your camp fees, etc., please contact Sonja.

The countdown is on for Vacation Bible School! This is always an event you DON'T want to miss. Make plans to join us July 30– August 2, 2018.



Reaching Out with Loving Arms:

We are definitely in NEED of extra “Hands On Deck” in the Nursery/Preschool areas.

We love to serve our littlest church members, but we need your help! PLEASE contact Sarah Lentz or the church office if you could commit to even one Sunday this summer! In order to continue to provide the childcare in the nursery and preschool, we rely on friendly faces with hearts to help the smallest disciples in our church family!

Do you feel called to help but can't do a long-term commitment? Vacation Bible School might be the perfect opportunity to join our Children's Ministry team! VBS is always filled to the brim with fun, excitement and the love of Christ! Join us for set up, during the week or clean up!

If you feel led to get involved and serve in our children's programming, please contact Kristin Nunnelley or the church office! This is a great way to connect with the children in our church family!