



Training the Next Generation Where Christ is King

FEBRUARY 2020

*The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love..*

PSALM 103:8

FOR PARENTS & VOLUNTEERS

DEAR VOLUNTEER

GREEN & BLUE HALL VOLUNTEERS

Emergency Plan

Training Focus | Become familiar with the fire and severe weather routes located on the map by your classroom door. Should the need for emergency occur, always keep attendance with you to ensure every child is accounted for.

In the case of an intruder, stay in the classroom away from the door and windows. The IK Director, hallway coordinators, and/or security team will alert you. More details are in the works and will be communicated to you as soon as they are finalized.

Green Hall Volunteer Highlight | Patrick and Maggie Augustin, you serve with joy-and we are encouraged. Thank you for arriving on time, eager to engage with your 2 year olds in the Dragon Fruit class. The children love you, and you clearly love them, too.

Blue Hall Volunteer Highlight | Lauren Tjan, we are so thankful for you. Your diligent preparation, willingness to jump in when need arises, and sincere affection for your special needs student spurs us on. Thank you for serving in the strength that God supplies. He is glorified in you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date!

Fourth Street Camp

July 6th-10th | 5:30-8:30p

Mark your calendars for this exciting evangelistic camp for children who will be entering 3rd-6th grades. (Current 2nd-5th graders.) We will need an army of volunteers, including: huddle leaders (like a camp counselor), coaches, teachers, administrators, transportation drivers, and carnival organizers. We will be offering: watercolor, hip hop dance, soccer, basketball, and (possibly) drama. Please email reedillo@immanuelky.org if you would like to help!

Week 3 Volunteers: 5th Sunday Serving

Week 3 volunteers are scheduled to serve the next 5th Sunday, which will be March 29th. Please make plans to serve that day!

Memory Verse Song

Children age 3-5th grade are memorizing Psalm 103:8 in Immanuel Kids. Use this link to sing along to the song they are learning: vimeo.com/288239588

DEAR PARENT

Our daughter Annie has some special needs. She's a delight—strong, joyful, carefree. But Annie has no self-consciousness and doesn't understand boundaries, and this is hard for us parents who want to look good. You'll notice our brokenness in teaching and helping her to obey and act appropriately. God is using Annie to break down our facades of "having things together" to give us the gladness of humility. He's showing us that we are just as broken as Annie, just as needy for the grace of God through Christ.

Pastor Jonny has pointed out to us in prayer room that Jesus had a special needs ministry, caring for physically, mentally, and spiritually broken people. That's all of us. The Lord continues to show us the Good News is for the broken and humble.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me...

PSALM 34:2-3A

Thank you, Immanuel, for showing grace & love to Annie and our family! Please pray with us that we'd magnify the Lord & be glad in our (more or less) evident neediness because our boast is in Him, not ourselves.

-By Jay & Rachel Shreve, parents of 6 precious children

The **ASK** questions include suggested topics to discuss with older children.
The **REPEAT** statement is an idea from the text for younger children to repeat after you.

WEEK 1

- READ** Read Psalm 103:1-5
- ASK** What are God's benefits?
- REPEAT** Do not forget God's benefits!
- PRAY** God, help us to remember all that you give to your people.
- SING** Psalm 103:8 vimeo.com/288239588 This is the song children are learning in IK.

WEEK 3

- READ** Psalm 103:13-18
- ASK** What is compared to grass? (*Man's days*) What does that mean? (*He will not be here forever*) What is from everlasting to everlasting? (*The steadfast love of the LORD*) Describe the person who receives His love.
- REPEAT** God's love is forever.
- PRAY** God, you love those who fear you. We want to fear you and enjoy your love.
- SING** Psalm 103:8

WEEK 2

- READ** Psalm 103:6-12
- ASK** How is God merciful and gracious?
- REPEAT** The LORD is merciful and gracious.
- PRAY** God, thank you for Jesus, who removes our transgressions from us.
- SING** Psalm 103:8

WEEK 4

- READ** Psalm 103:19-22
- ASK** What does it mean to bless the LORD? Who is told to bless the LORD?
- REPEAT** Bless the LORD, O my soul!
- PRAY** God, we bless your holy name.
- SING** Psalm 103:8

FAMILY WORSHIP REMINDERS

Adapted from Donald S. Whitney's "Family Worship"

Be brief. 5-10 minutes is ideal.

Be regular. Daily is best. These provided devotionals are meant to get your week started and reinforce what children are learning in Immanuel Kids.

Be flexible. Sometimes life means family worship happens in the car instead of the home. Be flexible in location, but don't let flexibility lead to inconsistency.