



Training the Next Generation Where Christ is King

NOVEMBER 2020

*"When I am afraid,
I put my trust in you."*

PSALM 56:3

FOR PARENTS & VOLUNTEERS

DEAR VOLUNTEER

GREEN & BLUE HALL VOLUNTEERS

How is Green Hall (for children ages 0-4) going?

Our little ones are adjusting back to nursery life. There are less tears each week, and some children are skipping to class in excitement! Your dedication to their excellent care is clear. I get to hear your gentle corrections, joyful singing, and animated reading of Bible stories. Persevere, Family. Each act of love is an act of battle on their behalf for the Kingdom!

When will Blue Hall (for elementary school children) begin?

We have decided that we will not reopen Blue Hall until sometime in 2021. Once we reopen, it will be offered at the same time as the Adult Sunday School classes and will be open to families who are attending those classes or volunteering.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Family Form

Are you a new family to Immanuel? We want to get you connected to all this ministry has to offer. Please contact the Immanuel Kids Director, Rebecca Cedillo, at rcedillo@immanuelky.org. She will send you a form to get the process started.

Staffed Sensory Room

Sensory Room will be staffed most Sundays, 8:50-10:25a. Children with a sensory room application can be dropped off during this time.

The Ology Videos

These 10-20 minute videos teach systematic theology to elementary-aged children. Watch with the family or other children in your GCG. A 10 minute Bible study application is included. Find the video link in the Immanuel Connect email every Friday.

Memory Verse Song

Children, ages 3-5th grade, are memorizing Psalm 56:3. Use this link to sing along for easy memorization: vimeo.com/314857386

DEAR PARENT

As we move toward one service together, let's ponder Scripture that reveals the inclusion of children in the corporate worship of God. What a gift to have a church that encourages families to bring children to hear the preached Word, pray for one another, and sing to our great God! In Matthew 19:13-15, Jesus welcomes children.

"Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.' And he laid his hands on them and went away."

- Matthew 19:13-15

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 Psalm 56:1-4

ASK David wrote this about the Philistines. How does he describe the Philistines? What does this say about God? What feels scary in your life? What should you do when you feel afraid?

PRAY When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

SING Psalm 56:3 (Song at [vimeo.com/314857386](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=314857386))

WEEK 2

READ Psalm 56:5-8

ASK How does David describe the Philistines? How does God respond to the suffering of His people? (He keeps count, puts tears in His bottle, writes them in His book. He cares!)

PRAY You care when your people are suffering.

SING Psalm 56:3

WEEK 3

READ Psalm 56:9-11

ASK Who is God for? What does David praise? (God's word) Who does David trust in? When we trust in the LORD, does it cause us to fear people or to have faith in God?

PRAY In God I trust; I shall not be afraid.

SING Psalm 56:3

WEEK 4

READ Psalm 56:12-13

ASK Why does David thank God? Has your soul been delivered from death? Are you walking before God in the light or hiding in darkness of sin?

PRAY Walk before God in the light of life.

SING Psalm 56:3

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.