# **Mount Zion - Children's Church News**

## We are learning, loving and serving God together!

We've had an awesome year at *Children's Church* and have experienced many blessings with the children. We wish all our families fun filled summer months.

If you have questions or concerns please feel free to speak with me or email me (address below).

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## May's Theme: Biblical Role Models

We continue our theme on Biblical Role Models by studying the life of Joseph and Joshua.

### **Underlying Concepts:**

- You decide by your actions, thoughts, and attitude whether or not you will follow Jesus' teachings.
- Despite the evidence before them, Joshua and Caleb chose to believe God was greater than any enemy they had and He would deliver them.
- Joseph and Joshua served God even in difficult circumstances. Their obedience honoured God.
- When you trust God you obey Him and He will protect and bless your efforts.

## **June's Scripture Memory Verse:**

### Joshua 1:9

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

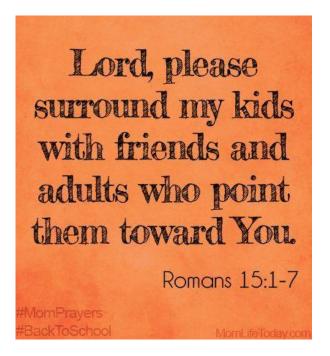
## **Upcoming Dates/Events:**

June 21: Father's Day

**July 5: Special treat!** Test on all the memory Scriptures of the year.

### **What Parents Can Do:**

As we continue our Theme on Biblical Role Models may this be our collective prayer!



See helpful hints: see next page!

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## **Helpful Hints**

# Year in Review

Our motto at Children's Church is "We learn, love and serve God together!" We've certainly seen evidence of that this year! We are so proud of the children and have witnessed their growth in the Lord.

During July and August, we do not publish a newsletter, however we continue to meet and learn together on Sundays. We take this time to review all the lessons we've taught and reinforce the concepts. We believe reviewing themes continues to build a firm foundation of God's Word. We want to plant the Word in their hearts. Research indicates that we establish the core beliefs in our childhood up to the age of 12 years.

"Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful". Joshua 1:8

### Themes we will review:

- The Power of Prayer: we can talk to God all the time.
- Joy: Believing in God changes how we look at everyday situations. The joy of the Lord is our strength.
- The Fruits of the Spirit: Holy Spirit guides us and helps us to grow to be more and more like Jesus. As we learn, we grow and produce more of the fruit of the Spirit.
- The Armor of God: We can use God's promises to help us fight our daily battles.
- Friendship: Jesus showed us how to be a good friend to everyone around us.
- **Biblical Role Models:** We can learn and imitate attributes from positive role models. Stand and persevere in faith even in difficult circumstances.

This year, the children have memorized these scripture verses. You can **post them** in their room to help them to keep meditating on them!

- 1. Joshua 1:8 "Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night."
- 2. **Philippians 4:6-7** "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation present your requests to God."
- 3. Jeremiah 29:13 "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart"
- 4. Psalm 95:1 "Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation."
- 5. **Galatians 5:22-23** "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."
- 6. **Ephesians 6:11,** "Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can stand against the devil.
- 7. 1 Thessalonians 5:22 "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up."
- **8. 1 Corinthians 16:13-14** "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love."
- 9. **Joshua 1:9** "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

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