



Dear potential Children's Ministry Leader,

Welcome! We are excited that you have come to check out the Children's Ministries here at Grace Baptist Church. We are thorough with our new leader application and interview process and we work diligently to establish guidelines to ensure a safe, secure and loving environment for the children of Grace Baptist Church. .

You don't have to be an expert.

Each member of our children's ministry team has one thing in common: a passion for children. If you have a heart to love God and a desire to work with children, then you have the two basic ingredients necessary to become a leader in children's ministry. You do not need a degree in early childhood development or elementary education to be a great leader.

There are many different opportunities for you to serve within children's ministry.

Whether you enjoy holding babies, telling Bible stories, singing songs, playing guitar, working with puppets or even assisting in office work, there is a place for you in children's ministry. We will discuss these different opportunities with you and will work together to find a place where you can use your God-given gifts to invest in the lives of children.

You do not need all the time in the world.

You can successfully minister to children with a minimal time commitment. In just an hour and a half each week, you will be able to form relationships with children and their parents that will communicate love and value, not only from you, but also from God.

As a church, our Sunday morning ministry is on a year round cycle.

We do this in order to bring the same level of excellence to our summer programs that we enjoy and enrich our children with throughout the year. What this means for most of us, is that instead of starting to serve in September and finishing at the end of June, we are asking that you serve through the year and take time off as you need it.

You are not alone.

You will be supported in your ministry through the children's ministry staff and leadership team. We plan four enrichments a year which are designed to encourage, equip, energize and empower you for ministry. You will not be a lone ranger in your ministry to children...guaranteed!

We look forward to getting to know you and to ministering alongside you. It will be exciting to watch God at work in you and through you as you minister to the children of Grace Baptist Church.

Serving with you,
The Children's Ministries Team

Grace Baptist Church

Children's Ministry Volunteer Application

This application is to be completed by all those desiring a ministry position involving the supervision or custody of minors. It is used to help the church provide a safe and secure environment for the children who participate at Grace Baptist Church.

Legal Name: _____ Nickname: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

How Long at this address? _____ If less than five years, give previous address and number of years below:

Previous address: _____ Years: _____

Male Female Birthday: ____/____/____ Home Phone: (____) _____

Cell / Pager: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____ Best time to call: _____

Email address: _____

Social Security #: _____ Driver's License: _____ Expires: _____

Occupation: _____ Place of Employment: _____ Number of years: _____

Employer's name: _____ Phone: _____

Marital status: _____ Spouse's Name: _____ Number of Children: _____ Ages: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

T-Shirt Size: Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL Adult XXL Adult XXXL

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ? _____ Briefly describe: _____

How long have you attended Grace Baptist Church? _____ Are you a member? _____

Would you consider becoming a member of Grace Baptist Church? _____

If you are a student, which of the following small groups do you attend:

Break Out Roc Inside Out

List any leadership/volunteer experience you have had with children: _____

List any gifts, training or education that has prepared you to work with children: _____

List any other Grace Baptist Church ministries in which you are involved: _____

Are you CPR certified (not required)? _____ yes _____ no

Do you have any medical training? _____ yes _____ no

Type of training (LPN, RN, Physician, EMT, etc.): _____

Age/Grade preference:

- Babies/Crawlers/Walkers 2 years olds 3 year olds
 4 & 5 year olds/ Kindergarten Grades 1 and 2 Grade 3, 4 & 5

Area of Service:

- Sunday School Behind the Scenes Kids Quest/Breakout
 Security Team Choir Stay 'n Play
 Special Needs Ministry Special Events Substitute List

Hour Preference:

- Midweek - Tuesday Midweek – Wednesday Midweek – Thursday
 Sunday 1st Service Sunday 2nd Service

Local Personal References (Must be 18 years old and not related to you)

1. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Comments (staff use): _____

2. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Comments (staff use): _____

3. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Comments (staff use): _____

The questions below are part of the process to help provide a safe and secure environment for our children. All information is held strictly confidential by the children's ministry staff. It is our desire to work with you to find a ministry that is fulfilling and suited to your strengths and experiences.

Have you had any experiences that might make it difficult for you to minister to children at Grace Baptist Church? _____

Have you ever been accused or convicted of the use or sale of illegal drugs? _____

Have you ever used illegal drugs? _____

Have you ever been hospitalized, treated for, or struggled with alcohol or substance abuse? _____

Have you ever been charged with a misdemeanor or felony? _____

Are you engaged in any conduct that is contrary to the teachings of the Bible? _____

Do you have any health issues that could place the children of Grace Baptist Church at risk? _____

Have you ever been denied legal custody of your children in any legal proceedings including divorce decrees or settlements? _____

We conduct a police background check including a CORI on all applicants. Do you have any objections? _____

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please explain briefly: _____

Applicant's Statement

I hereby authorize Grace Baptist Church to verify all information contained in this application with any references, my past or present employers, or any other appropriate personnel at my present or past employers, churches or other organizations and any individuals to disclose any and all information to Grace Baptist Church. I release all such persons or entities from liability that may result or arise from Grace Baptist Church's collections of all such evaluations or information or its consideration of my application.

Grace Baptist Church Children's Ministry Leader's Covenant

Having committed to our leadership ministry and the habits essential for spiritual maturity, and having attended a Children's Ministry leader orientation, I will commit to:

- Read and practice the security measures in place at Grace Baptist Church
- Prepare for ministry by growing in my personal relationship with Christ
- Support the leadership by praying for the Children's Ministry staff, leaders and the children in my class.
- Personal growth and education by participating in Ministry Enrichments

Should my application be accepted, I agree to follow the policies of Grace Baptist Church and to refrain from unscriptural conduct in the performance of my services on behalf of the church.

I understand that the personal information will be held confidential by the church staff.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

What Floats Your Boat ?

Name _____

What motivates you? (Write three or four lines on how you like to be encouraged) _____

A daily encouragement for me would be _____

If I could select a gift for myself under \$20.00 it would be _____

If I had all day to do something for myself I would _____

The most fun I ever had was when _____

My favorite hobby is _____

My greatest passion in life is _____

One area I am growing in is _____

The greatest strength I possess is _____
