

Welcome!

Parents,

This is the name we have given to a fun and growing ministry within Life Church. Life Kids is designed for children in grades K-5. We teach important real-life principles through Bible stories, creative activities, songs, games and other activities purposely designed to engage them at their age level. We take time to worship God and pray individually with the children about whatever is going on in their young lives. It is our hope that they will come to a personal and growing faith in Jesus Christ and learn to build their lives on the truth found in God's Word, the Bible. Parents are welcome to visit and are encouraged to ask questions about this ministry.

All of the adults that work within Like Kids are here because they desire to use their talents and time to invest in these young lives. The planners, teachers and assistants each give a lot of effort to make this ministry possible. We believe these volunteers are excellent examples of what it means to live for Christ at home, at work and at play. During the interview process we do perform background checks on all adult staff and volunteers. If you are interested in learning more about being a part of the Life Kids team, talk with Tammy Parks about the next step.

We believe that training children spiritually is extremely important. However, we also realize that our role as a ministry is limited by the small amount of time that we have with the students each week. Because our time with them is so short, we want to be able to use each moment as effectively as possible. We have established some classroom and bus rider rules for the kids to keep order and allow all of the planned activities to be accomplished. These rules also help to ensure the safety and health of your children while they are with us. We have enclosed a copy of the classroom rules that are posted in each room and covered with the kids each week. There are also a few guidelines for parents to keep in mind that will help us to be a positive part of each child's life and help them in their spiritual growth. Please take a moment and read through these rules and guidelines. If a student has difficulty in understanding or following the rules we will ask for your help in making Life kids a good place for kids to grow.

We are honored to be a part of your family's life and would welcome any questions or comments. Thank you for allowing us to serve you through the ministry we call Life Kids.

Life with God is good!

Tammy Parks Life Kids director

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Rules and Guidelines

Life Kids is for students in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade.

These rules are in place for all <u>children</u> participating in Life Kids: These are posted in each of the classrooms and reviewed with the kids often!

- 1. Be quiet while the teacher is talking. Respect and obey the Leaders.
- 2. Keep hands to yourself. Respect each other.
- 3. Sing and participate with your whole heart but don't scream.
- 4. Candy, gum and toys must stay at home.
- 5. Raise your hand if you have a question or need to use the bathroom.

If a child repeatedly disobeys any of these rules and will not change their behavior after being spoken with, we will require a parent to attend with that child until it is deemed that the child may come on his/her own. (This will be at the discretion of the Life kids ministry leader and the attending parent)

The following are guidelines for **parents** of Life Kids:

- 1. Parents are welcome to visit anytime. Questions and comments are welcome.
- 2. Children will learn more if the lessons are being reinforced at home. Parents are encouraged to ask their child(ren) questions about what they are learning.
- 3. If a child is not feeling well, it is best to keep them at home.
- If you can provide a ride for your child, please do so. Drop-off should be after 6:45 and pick-up should be before 8:15. Life Kids is on Wednesdays from 7-8 PM
- 5. Children learn most things by example. If it is desired for children to live what they are being taught from God's Word, the parents should be living it out as well.
- 6. Any family is welcome to attend the worship gatherings of Mitchell's Life Church. Attending church as a family is a great way to teach our children about life with God.

More information about Life Church is available at www.LifeInMitchell.org

The following are rules for all <u>students riding the LIFESAVER bus</u>: Each child is required to have a signed parental permission form to board the bus.

- 1. Each child must be enrolled in kindergarten or any grade level higher to board the bus.*
- 2. Each child must abide by the safety and behavior rules posted in the bus.
- 3. Children must be ready to board the bus when it arrives it will only wait 2 minutes.

<u>*Please note that we will not be transporting children under school age</u>. In order to make use of our transportation, children must be enrolled in Kindergarten or higher grade level. Students in Middle School and High School may also make use of the bus to attend Youth Worship.

Word of Life Christian Ministries/Mitchell's Life Church/Life Kids Blanket Liability Release Form

As the parent/guardian of the minor child(ren) named below, I do hereby give permission for him/her to participate in Life Kids activities, ride the bus/van, and attend Life Kids ministries on Wednesday evenings.

By signing this form, I do hereby release, forever discharge, and agree to hold harmless Word of Life Christian Ministries/Mitchell's Life Church/Life Kids, its officers, staff, administration, and agents thereof from any and all liability claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned and the child-participant that occur while said child is participating in activities, riding the bus/van, and/or attending Life Kids ministries.

Authorization and permission is hereby given to Word of Life Christian Ministries/Mitchell's Life Church/Life Kids to administer emergency medical assistance if I cannot be reached. We/I, as the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) assume the responsibility for all medical bills, if any.

I further understand that my child(ren) is expected to obey all the rules and courtesies related to Life Kids ministry and riding on the bus/van as explained in the Life Kids Rules and Guidelines which I have read.

By signing below, I also affirm that my child(ren) is currently enrolled in kindergarten or any grade level higher in order to ride on the church bus/van.

Parent/Guardian Signature			Date	
Child's Name	Age	Gr	Birthdate	
Child's Name	Age	Gr	Birthdate	
Child's Name	Age	Gr	Birthdate	
Child's Name	Age	Gr	Birthdate	
Parent/ Guardian Name(s)				
Address			Phone #	
Emergency Contact (other than listed above)				
Phone				
Allergies (esp. food allergies):				

*Please note this liability release form will be good for one year from the date signed.