



But Jesus said, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children." Matthew 19:14

Hello Everyone,

What has Impact Children's Ministry looked like during the Covid-19 Pandemic? I can honestly say it has been different, but like many Children's Ministry leaders, I have spent a lot of time in prayer and asking God to show me a path that Raymond Baptist Church can do remotely. He answered!

Thankfully we live in the Technology Era, so emails, texting, phone calls, and using media and Zoom to connect to families has been vital to the ministry. Some things have worked, while other things have not. It is all a learning curve. I have spent many hours each week planning for the "reopening" and writing notes to the children, families and staff, and taking online seminars to be informed of how to keep ministry moving.

Impact Children's Ministry had many opportunities for families and children in our community to connect. The Snail-Mail Club had 9 children participate, Zoom Club 2:52 with Jordan has been very rewarding for the children, CEF of NH has had weekly lessons posted on our website, and Impact Adventure Camp 2 Go reached 22 Families and approximately 43 children ages 3 – 8th grade, in our local community and beyond.

Now, moving forward, beginning September 20, we will have Club 2:52 for children ages 3 – 5th grade downstairs in the Great Room, Children's Ministry rooms, and utilize outdoor space (weather permitting).

We will use the **following guidelines** for this ministry:

- Face Masks required by teachers and children
- Social distance Spacing
- Reduce number of children in classrooms
- Hand Sanitizer and cleaning protocols
- Individualized materials for each child
- If your child is sick or has been exposed to someone who has been sick, please keep your child at home.

Process:

- Preregistration each week will help ensure the correct amount of staff needed to provide a safe experience for families. Go to raymondbaptistchurch.com to preregister. You will receive a confirmation email after registering.
- Children will check in with family in church foyer. Staff will assist children to the Great Room while parents/guardians continue into the sanctuary.
- Children will participate in "Video Worship" geared for children, Bible Lesson, and small group lessons and activity using individualized material.
- At the End of Service: children will be brought to the foyer for pick up. We ask the parents/guardians remain upstairs for social distancing protocols.
- If your child is sick or has been exposed to someone who has been sick, please keep your child at home.
- During the week, all areas and materials will be cleaned meeting CDC guidelines.

Impact Children's Ministry will continue providing resources through different forms of media on the Raymond Baptist Church Website and App, as well as continuing with Zoom lessons. This ministry thanks you for entrusting us to serve you and ask that you continue to be flexible as we navigate through this journey.

If you have questions or concerns please call the church office and Tara will return your call.



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