

Children's Ministry Newsletter

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Mission:

"The mission of children's ministries is to lead children, ages birth through age 13, into a loving, serving relationship with Jesus Christ."

Happy Fall Church friends!

It's hard to believe the warm days are finally coming to an end and the autumn leaves are dusting the ground with the beautiful warm colors of browns, golds and reds. Soon it will be fall and our favorite time of the year!



In a day and age of competing with facebook, twitter and texting, I'd like to make a small attempt at an old form of social media in the hopes of reaching more families about all the wonderful programs at Santa Clarita Seventh-day Adventist Church.

But first, I'd like to take a moment and let you learn a little more about myself and family. I was born in San Jose, California 40-something years ago. I went to Miramonte SDA School in Los Altos, California. From there, I "moved" away to attend Monterey Bay Academy boarding school in La Selva Beach where "the land and sea unite to inspire." After a short time at Pacific Union College, I transferred to San Jose State University to complete a B.S. in Occupational Therapy. Growing up very close to my dear Grandma, I've always had a special interest in working with older adults so a career in health care fit the bill. Since about 1994, I've had a great job at our own Glendale Adventist Medical Center. Of course, there's more to the story. During an internship in Pomona, I met a wonderful young man, Scott, from clear across the country, the heart of New York. Many years later, twin boys Andrew and Jacob arrived, VERY unexpected, and for some overwhelming curiosity of raising just one little lamb at a time, another boy, Michael arrived five years later.

My church experience started as a young child at the Mountain View Central Church, helping my mom in the Cradle Roll and Kindergarten departments. From there, I've always been involved in one way or another. I was a pathfinder (long before there were Adventurers) and I started a youth Sabbath School class for twenty-somethings. I tend to have the "see a need, fill a need" attitude and instead of complaining, I like to just jump in and volunteer whether I'm qualified or not, if only to help out wherever possible or provide support to those that are better trained.

My goal for this newsletter will simply be to provide one more way to communicate information to our families and kids about all the exciting programs available at our church.

I'm so thankful for this opportunity to spread the love of Jesus to our young members and provide special programs to meet the needs of our future church leaders! May the love of Jesus fill your homes and hearts and always remember we are all part of the family of God!

Blessings to all,

Linda Scotto

Children's Ministry Director



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| <p>Hands-on Church Meets the 1st and 3rd Sabbath of every month unless otherwise noted in the bulletin. Kids 4-9 are welcome. Contact Debbie Hittle for more information. debbiehittle@yahoo.com</p> | <p>Adventurers For kids 3-9 years old. Meets first and third Sabbaths from 5-6:15pm in the modular building. New this year! Little Lambs lead by Denise Whitely. Eager Beavers through Helping Hands lead by various parent volunteers. For more information contact Linda Scott twinpeas@pacbell.net or Rebekah Cassell rebekah@ourcassell.com.</p> |
| <p>Children's Bell Choir New! Lead by Beverly Bell, practices are Friday nights at 6:30pm. For more information, contact Beverly Bell sbcglobal.com or Linda twinpeas@pacbell.net.</p> | <p>KID Led by Pastor Greg, Inga Brimdal and Debbie Hittle. For more information, contact one of these leaders.</p> |
| <p>Childcare Ongoing childcare is available every Sabbath during the church service. Children ages 0-5 years old can be dropped off in Cradle Roll for supervised childcare that includes play time, snacks and crafts.</p> | <p>Children's Christmas Program We're organizing a beautiful program for Sabbath, December 17th during our worship hour. Practices will begin this Sabbath during part of Sabbath school. If you are available to help organize costumes, props or <i>kids</i>, please contact Linda or Naomi.</p> |
| <p>Needs/Wants Carpenters-We are hoping to add to our hands-on church materials which are mainly carved wooden figures. If you are interested, contact Debbie Hittle.</p> | |

