### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR FOR HILLSIDE CHURCH

## **PURPOSE**

The Children's Ministry Director is responsible for overseeing the planning, coordinating, and implementation of ministry environments for children from birth through sixth grade.

## **Primary Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Be an advocate for children's ministry and educate the congregation about the hopes, concerns, and needs of children in the local church and community.
- Provide leadership and serve as a shepherd to the children's ministry leadership teams.
- Effectively create and communicate a vision for children's ministry that is aligned with the overall church.
- Partner with other leaders in developing a comprehensive vision for Family Ministry.
  This includes the spiritual, educational, physical, and emotional growth and engagement of children and their parents.
- Lead the Children's Ministry Team to ensure that all ministry environments are continually evaluated and updated for age appropriateness and maximum effectiveness in reaching and engaging the next generation.
- Oversee the creation of digital ministry environments of connection and worship for all children and their families.
- Recruit, train, and inspire both paid and volunteer staff to become leaders in the planning and implementation of relevant, effective, and safe ministry environments.
- Develop and maintain a healthy volunteer culture and structure.
- Ensure that appropriate safety and security procedures are followed in the Children's Ministry.
- Plan an outing for parents and children once a quarter.

## Ministry department

- Oversee, plan, and coordinate Children's Ministry programming throughout the week and year, including summer camps, Vacation Bible School, and special events.
- Lead with the intentionality of inclusion and outreach to the community through weekend programming and special events.
- Provide places of online connection and community for kids and families.
- Develop systems of tracking and care for children, both on-site and online. Provide ministry connection points like online small groups for children and families throughout the week.
- Provide support to children and their families as they transition through both age and spiritual milestones of preschool and elementary students.
- Develop strategies to welcome and support new families to the Children's Ministry by partnering with new members and new parents through activities and communication.
- Create a clear spiritual pathway for children and their parents with resources and support to equip parents in the spiritual development of their children.

- Provide clear partnership points for spiritual milestones like child dedication, salvation, and baptism.
- Cultivate resources for best practices on parenting and the spiritual development of children.
- Create opportunities for the enrichment of parents as the spiritual leaders of their homes through serving events, parenting classes, seminars, and connections at spiritual milestones.

# **Requirements:**

- Have a growing and healthy walk with the Lord, participating in God-honoring relationships, community, accountability, and generosity.
- Previous Ministry leadership experience helpful.
- Detail-oriented and organized.
- Self-starter and disciplined to work in an unsupervised environment.
- Adaptable to changes in roles and responsibilities.
- Highly relational and possessing great people skills, with an orientation towards serving, empowering others, and building strong teams.

## Reports to:

- Direct report is the Senior Pastor.
- Also reports to the leadership team and congregation when necessary.