



Dear Parent:

One of the core values of Friendly Avenue Baptist Church is that God designed the family as the primary place for discipleship. The Faith Path initiative exists to partner with you as you guide your child's spiritual journey one step at a time. Age appropriate kits have been created to help you leverage the best faith formation strategy for your child's stage of development. In this *Family Time* kit, you will find practical ideas and suggested resources to help you foster communication, laughter, and faith formation in your parenting routine. I urge you to start today by taking the following simple steps:

STEP ONE: LEARN

We have provided access to a short video that explains this particular Faith Path step. You will hear from both experts and ordinary families as they describe the importance of family time and share practical suggestions from their experiences. You will also find access to two audio podcasts and a guide that offers practical tips and what we consider the best resources on the topic. If you would like additional coaching or information on the next *Faith Path Foundations* workshop, please contact:

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STEP TWO: START

To help you begin a family time routine, this kit includes *Creating Impression Points* ideas and an activity called *Just Like Air* ideal for a younger child. We've also provided access to a fun *Family Time* song that will get everyone in the mood for the best time of the week. Go ahead and put a day on your schedule right now in order to turn good intentions into practice. Build anticipation by letting your child use a *Family Time* sticker to mark the calendar.

If your child is registered at Friendly Avenue Baptist Church, you will receive an email at select birthdays with information on how to get the free kit appropriate for his or her age. To confirm that we have birthday information on each child, please contact Jamie or Shelby and update your family profile.

I hope you find this kit helpful in the process of forming the faith of your child at home. Feel free to contact our staff to learn more or to determine if your child/children are ready for other Faith Path steps. Be sure to download the Friendly Avenue Church app as it will be updated with Faith Path materials soon.

Because He Lives,

Dr. Daniel Dickard
Pastor, Friendly Avenue Baptist Church