

The Church's Goal for Children
1 John 2:12-14
July 11, 2021

I. Little Children (V. 12, 13c)

A. We will reach our young for Christ by raising up children who know the _____ of the cross.

II. Fathers (V. 13a, 14a)

A. We will reach our young for Christ with _____ generations that know the Lord.

III. Young Men (V. 13b, 14b)

A. Fulfilling youthful passions is not living, it is _____
(2 Timothy 2:22).

B. We will reach our young for Christ by raising up strong, young adults who _____ in the word of God and _____ the evil one.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 John 2:12-14.
2. Have you ever been impressed by a small child's knowledge of the gospel? Why?
3. What would it take on the part of Apollo Baptist Church for the Lord to say of our elementary-aged children that their sins are forgiven for His name's sake? Why?
4. Swap stories from personal experience of how a young person was won to Christ because of the faith of Christians from older generations.
5. Why is it so important in reaching young people to have an older generation (fathers), not just peers, that knows the Lord?
6. Have you ever been impressed by the faith of a teenager or a young adult? Why?
7. What do you think it will take on the part of Apollo Baptist Church for the word of God to abide in our teens and young adults, that they overcome the evil one? Why do you think John chose to emphasize young adults abiding in the word of God and overcoming the evil one?
8. Pray for our church, that we would invest in the lives of young people and their parents. Consider attending today's Zoom Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: 1 Corinthians 6-9

July Memory Verses: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Jeremiah 33:3

Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

If you have not done so already, register from the www.apollobaptist.org home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. If you were registered before, you will need to sign up again. The new registration will last through 9/5/21.

Register with your name and email address.

Click on the emailed Zoom link at the time of the Prayer Meeting.

DURING Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

PRAYING for youth camp.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
 - Jules S. will be heading to the mission field by the end of July. Praise the Lord!
- Vacation Bible School and Children's Camp attendees: for all that was taught and learned to be remembered and applied
- Family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones
 - Don R. (wife, Brenda, and brother), Yvonne B. (husband, Pastor Jamal), Tom M. (mom), Nataleen W. (brother)
- Those struggling with on-going health and emotional issues:
 - Mary R. (possible dialysis; on-going hope for a kidney transplant), Harry and Pam D. (Harry's health and Pam's ongoing care-giving needs), Debbie B. (breast cancer has spread to her bones, pray for successful treatment), Phyllis W. (adjusting to assisted living), Kathy W. (digestion issues), Mary C. (additional cancer issues), Korrina C. (stroke issues and heart issues), Diana H. (serious infection issues)
- Those awaiting surgery:
 - Ruthie C. (stomach repair)
- Those recovering from surgery:
 - Debbie P. (on-going therapy at home)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
 - Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
 - Larry S., Reginald G., Donna
- Others that you are aware of