

# CHILDREN & FAMILIES

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God. 1 John 3:1

## For Your Calendar

Sept. 2	CMC, 7pm, Rm. 132
Sept. 9	WBFpm begins, 7pm, Barclay C
Sept. 10	WBF begins, 8:45am, Social Hall
Sept. 10	CMC, 7pm, Rm. 132
Sept. 13	Full Sunday morning children's ministries begins
Sept. 13	Church BBQ, after 2nd service
Oct. 1	Pre-K Fun Night, 6pm, Friends Center Gym
Oct. 15	K-2 Fun Night, 6pm, Friends Center Gym
Oct. 22	3:4-5 Fun Night, 6pm, Friends Center Gym

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## Children's Ministry Cultivation (CMC)

by Michelle Akins

Cultivate: To prepare and work on; to promote or improve the growth of by labor and attention; to develop or improve by education or training.



Each year NFC offers what we've called Children's Ministry Orientation. This one-hour meeting is intended to provide information, training, and open communication for all children's ministry volunteers and parents. In hopes of revitalizing and expanding the orientation experience beyond just a once-per-year required meeting, I'm changing the name to "Children's Ministry Cultivation" or "CMC" for short. As in years past, we will discuss important safety procedures and children's ministry policies.

Additionally, I hope to promote an ongoing spirit of growth and development in children's ministries. CMC was offered once in August and has two meeting times in September to kick off our school year. All children's ministry volunteers and parents are encouraged to attend one CMC session. Times and dates are listed in the "For Your Calendar" section. CMC meetings will be scheduled throughout the year as we continue to educate one another and improve children's ministries for the benefit and growth of children, volunteers, and parents at NFC and in the

wider community. If you are a children's ministry volunteer and cannot make it to one of our fall kick-off meetings, please contact me to meet individually.

**GROWING  
TOGETHER**

## Beth Moore Living Proof Live Simulcast

Saturday, September 12, 9am, Grace Baptist Church. Join women from all over the world as we pray, praise, and learn together. To register: [gbcnewberg.org](http://gbcnewberg.org)

## Sunday Mornings at NFC

Sunday school for children age 2 through 5th grade provided during 1st service at 9am.

Nursery care for children up to age 2 during 1st service 9-10:15am. Nursery care for infants and children through 2 years is available during the 2nd service from 10:30 to noon in Room 243.

Godly Play is for children in kindergarten through 5th grade during the 10:45am worship service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 134.

Children's Care is for children ages 3 through 5 during the 10:45am service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 133.

Community Time is open for you to gather with your church family from 10 to 10:45am in the Social Hall or on the lawn, weather permitting.



We have an awesome nursery facility! Come volunteer.

# Marriage Encouragement Groups



For a number of years, NFC has hosted 3M (Monthly Marriage Maintenance). This year we are trying something new to build relationships and strengthen marriages. We are encouraging all married NFC attenders to commit to a group of 4-5 couples September through May. You may meet in your own homes, reserve a space at the church, or even decide to gather at a local coffee shop. Simply find the place you feel comfortable to **read,**

**share, and pray together.** We'll help you connect with a group, provide study materials to guide your conversations, and offer ideas for facilitation.

Contact us with questions and/or to find a group:  
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## Sunday School

Beginning September 13 our hope is to offer our full Sunday morning children's programming. This is only possible with more volunteers choosing to worship, learn, and pray with children. Our Kindergarten through 3rd/4th grade classes all need dedicated teachers and assistants to function with the safety and nurturing we are committed to at NFC. Adults and youth helpers age 11 and older interested in joining the children's ministry team can let Michelle Akins know their availability this September by filling out the "Doodle" poll at: <http://doodle.com/poll/vmdekqkkguxsckgt>

## Women's Bible Fellowship

WBFpm and WBF begin this month by using Linda Dillow's book, *Calm My Anxious Heart*. Study materials are \$13 or whatever you can afford. They may be purchased in the NFC office or at WBFpm and WBF. Dates and times are listed in the "For Your Calendar" section of the newsletter. Our year together will include a study by Ann Voskamp and a deeper look at 1st, 2nd, 3rd John, and Jude by Max Lucado. All women are invited and encouraged to attend. WBF is still hiring childcare providers. Please send suggestions and contact info to Michelle Akins.

Register for WBFpm or WBF: <http://bit.ly/WBFRegistration>