

April 2010



Dear Prospective Volunteers:

Thank you for your interest in Bright Christian Church's Children's Ministry called Faithville. It is an active, rewarding ministry that reaches out to our youngest members with the love of Christ. We laugh together— pray together— worship together— learn together— play together- and yes, sometimes cry together. We have close to 150 volunteers who serve regularly together in Faithville. Some have volunteered in children's ministry for over 30 years; others have been at it less than 3 months. Faithville is a gigantic family, and everyone is welcome. Whether you enjoy rocking babies, greeting families at the welcome center or teaching 2nd graders, there is something for you.

Every spring, we ask our entire congregation to prayerfully consider where the Lord is leading them for the 2010-11 school year. We ask all volunteers interested in working in Faithville to make a one-year commitment beginning June 6 and ending May 31, 2011. It is important to us that EVERY Faithville volunteer enjoys what they do. It makes such a difference to the kids, the parents, and the ministry. We are blessed to have a dedicated, selfless group of volunteers that partner with parents in the spiritual development of over 400 children, and we appreciate everything they do. Because of them, our children are loved, nurtured and equipped with the tools to grow spiritually.

Enclosed is a 2010-11 volunteer form as well as job descriptions for each area. Because the safety of our children is a top priority, all Faithville volunteers must fulfill the following guidelines before working with our students.

1. Have a completed background check on file.
2. Attend a Reducing the Risk class
3. Attend BCC regularly at least 6 months.
4. Fill out a Volunteer Profile.
5. Attend training session on May 19

Our goal is to equip all our volunteers to succeed. You will receive training before you start, any needed materials or curriculum, and a volunteer handbook to reference if you have questions later on. Two dates have been set for those interested in helping who still need our Reducing the Risk class- Sunday, May 2nd or Wednesday, May 5th from 6:30-8:30. You are only required to attend one of those two dates. Our first **All-Volunteer Meeting for all new and returning volunteers will be on Wed. May 19.** More details will follow next month but mark your calendars now.

As I mentioned earlier, Faithville is a family and if you have been looking for a place to get connected, make a difference, and feel loved... Faithville is the place. If you have questions about any of the areas of ministry before you commit, please give me a call. I would love to talk to you more about finding a way to connect your talent and passion in a way that pleases the Lord.

Living for Him,
Linda

BRIGHT CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 2010-11 Volunteer Form



Name _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Address _____ City _____ State/Zip _____
 Email Address _____ Date of Birth _____

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS ONLY: _____ Yes, I will be returning as part of the Faithville Team.
 _____ No, I will not be able to recommit this year.

Please prayerfully consider the following areas of service. Check all the areas you are interested in and would be willing to serve. Someone will contact you before a final commitment is asked. All of these areas come with the training and materials you would need.

9:00 Teacher or Aide

Position I desire to serve: _____ Teacher _____ Teacher's Aide
 I would prefer to serve: _____ Every month _____ Every other month
 Age Preference: _____ Preschool I _____ Pre-K _____ Kindergarten _____ 1st _____ 2nd
 _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____ 5th/6th _____ No Preference

10:30 Small Group Leader or Aide

Position I desire to serve _____ Small group leader _____ Small group assistant
 I would prefer to serve: _____ Every month _____ Every other month
 Age Preference: _____ Preschool I _____ Pre-K _____ Kindergarten _____ 1st _____ 2nd
 _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____ No Preference

Special Needs Aide

I would prefer to serve: _____ Every month _____ Every other month
 I prefer to serve: _____ 9:00 service _____ 10:30 service

Wednesday Night Small Group Leader- (Sept thru April)

Age Preference: _____ Preschool _____ Elementary _____ CLUB 56

Faithville Welcome Center

I would prefer to serve: _____ 1st Service- 9:15-10:45a.m. _____ 2nd Service-10:45-12:15pm

Faithville- Behind the Scenes- Call for more details about these areas

Faithville Leadership Team: _____ Faithville Sub List: _____ Preschool _____ Elementary
 Special Events: _____ VBS _____ Trunk N Treat _____ Clothing Exchange
 _____ Backyard Bash _____ Music Camp

Children's Ministry Job Descriptions



Faithville Teacher

Two Options: Every month or every other

A Faithville teacher is someone who has been attending BCC at least six months and is a member of the church. A Faithville teacher must have a passion for Christ and for kids. He/She is willing to commit a year to shepherding and building a relationship with a certain age group. He/She is willing to complete a background check, attend the Reducing the Risk Seminar, and occasional meetings. Faithville teachers are given the appropriate lessons, training, and support they need to be successful in the classroom. They are responsible for preparing the given lessons and teaching every other month opposite another team of teachers. There is also an option to serve every month in the same classroom if a teacher would like to establish a stronger relationship with the kids.

Faithville Teacher's Aide

Two Options: Every month or every other

A Faithville teacher's aide does not have to be a member of the church but must be someone who has been attending BCC at least six months. A teacher's aide is a great starting point for someone wanting to get their feet wet in Children's Ministry because there is no outside preparation needed. Just as with our teachers, Faithville aides need to be people who have a passion for Christ and for kids. Faithville aides' must be willing to complete a background check, attend the Reducing the Risk Seminar and occasional meetings.

Faithville Special Needs Aide

Two Options: Every month or every other

A Faithville special needs aide is a person who has a passion for Christ and a special place in their heart for children with special needs. In a classroom, this aide provides one-on-one supervision and care for a child with such needs as: autism, mental retardation, Down's Syndrome, etc. This person needs to be loving, patient, and very reliable. They are trained to handle an individual's needs and are in constant communication with the parents. A special needs aide is a huge support and peace of mind for those families.

Wednesday Small Group Leader– Every Wed. (Sept. thru April)

Wednesday nights offer a wide variety of options for people wanting to serve during the week. Responsibilities range from leading a small group of children through a prepared lesson or discussion in the elementary area to preparing a lesson and teaching in the preschool area.

Faithville Welcome Center– Once a month

A Faithville greeter is a person willing to greet and direct visitors. They help families fill out visitor forms, find classrooms, and monitor hallways during service. This person needs to have an outgoing, friendly personality and be able to approach "lost" families. After check-in, these people help monitor hallways and restroom areas, take attendance, and continue to man the Faithville Welcome Center during the entire service.

BRIGHT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NURSERY MINISTRY

2009-10 Volunteer Form



Name _____
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 Email Address _____ Date of Birth _____

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS ONLY: ___ Yes, I will be returning to be part of the Faithville Team.
 ___ No, I will not be able to recommit this year.

Each of these positions are twice a month commitments or just 36 hours a year. We will work together to make a schedule that works for you. Laying a strong biblical foundation and building relationships with our little ones are our primary goals in our nursery ministry. These children are our tomorrow, so let's plant the seeds together today. Faithville nursery workers do not have to be members of the church, but must be a regular attendee for the past 6 months before working with our children. They must also complete a background check and attend a Reducing the Risk class before they begin to serve.

Faithville Buds (Infant – Walking):

Our littlest Faithville buds are looking for someone twice a month to sing, rock, cuddle, and share hugs but most of all, they are looking for someone to show them the love of Jesus. ___ 9:00 am ___ 10:30 am

Faithville Sprouts (Walking – 2 years of age):

Faithville sprouts are looking for someone twice a month who will sing songs, get on the floor and play, color, share snacks, and read Bible stories about Jesus to them. ___ 9:00am ___ 10:30am

Faithville Fire Station (Runners: 2 – 3 years of age):

Faithville Fire Station is looking for someone twice a month who is on fire for the Lord and willing to sing songs, play, color, have snack, and teach them about how much Jesus loves them. If you are interested in a room filled with great firsts- this is the room for you. You will witness so much growth and excitement. There is a curriculum for this room. ___ 9:00am ___ 10:30am

Faithville Wednesday Nights:

Faithville Wednesday night friends are looking for fun, committed adults who will share the love of Christ with them twice a month ___ Buds/Sprouts– See description above. ___ Firehouse – See description above.

Faithville Faithfuls

___ Faithville Faithfuls are willing to be put on a list and called on by other volunteers when needed.
 Our Sub list is very important to us, but our subs always have the option of saying "NO".

Faithful Behind the Scenes– Call for more details on these areas

___ Cleaning/Sanitizing of Nursery/Walkers/Runners Rooms ___ Faithville Leadership Team
 ___ Women's Wednesday morning Bible study Caregiver ___ MOPS Caregiver—1st Friday of the Month