

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS, 2009

Wonderful Wednesdays is a program designed to provide your child with an opportunity to enjoy fun and friendship with other children in the church family. It is also an opportunity for them to invite friends, especially those who don't have a church home. The activities that have been planned are chosen for fun and kid appeal. Please join us this summer for all the fun of Wonderful Wednesdays! Events #1 and #2 are for students who have completed 1st through 5th grades. Event #3 at the Beach Water Park is for the entire family.

OUR THEME FOR THE SUMMER

Our theme, **SUMMER VENTURE**, will help us discover the secret of who we should be. We will emphasize this during our opening activities and throughout the day. Our theme is based on 1 Timothy 4:12 which says this: *"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity."*

REGISTRATION

Registration fees and permission slips are due on Monday at 10:00 AM prior to each event. This is **ESSENTIAL** for planning transportation, chaperones and snacks. **No registration** will be accepted after this time. If you would like you MAY register your child for several events at one time and pay with one check. You may also register all your children on one slip. However, if your child is bringing a friend they must have their own permission slip filled out by their parent. Extra registration forms will be available in the back of this packet. Completed registrations may be turned in at the Wonderful Wednesdays table in the Atrium on Sunday mornings or at the church office during the week. First time visitors will also need to complete the Medical Release Consent Form. The packet will include extra blank Emergency Information forms or they can be picked up at the Welcome Center or downloaded from the web site.

MEDICAL RELEASE CONSENT FORMS

If we have a copy of the current Medical Release Consent Form on file for your child(ren), then you have already completed this step. If we do not have a form on file, one will be needed before your child can participate in a Wonderful Wednesday event. First time visitors will also need to complete the Emergency Information form. We have also included a few blank forms in this packet or they can be picked up at the Welcome Center or downloaded from the web site.

MONEY

We have tried to choose events that will provide the most fun for the least amount of money. Extra money is not necessary and **not recommended** unless specifically mentioned on the event sheet. In order to avoid problems we ask that you NOT send extra money with your child on Wonderful Wednesday.

VOLUNTEERS

Providing transportation and adequate supervision is a difficult task. We need parents, grandparents and friends who would be willing to help with this program. *We ask that parents sign up to help with at least one Wonderful Wednesday.* Your responsibilities as a chaperone will include driving, supervising a small group of children at the event and helping with lunch. Our goal for each Wednesday is 1 adult for 5 children or less. In the event we do not have enough parents to chaperone and drive, the Wonderful Wednesday event will be canceled. For the safety of the program we are asking that children entering first grade and down NOT be included on these trips. If you are interested in volunteering we encourage you to trade baby-sitting with another parent with pre-schoolers.

RAIN

We will have a back-up plan for any Wednesday in the event of rain. If it should rain we will do as many planned activities as possible, but we will provide alternate activities. We are praying this will not be necessary.

WELCOME

When your child arrives at the church they need to place their lunch in the coolers in the foyer and go directly to the Chapel (in the Student Center).

LUNCHESES

Lunches for each Wonderful Wednesday should be packed each day in a paper bag with your child's name written in large letters on the front.

DISCIPLINE

We want Wonderful Wednesday to be a fun experience for everyone, kids and adults alike, so we will expect everyone to be on their best behavior. Please encourage your child in this. We will deal with discipline problems as they arise in a fair and just manner. We will also inform parents of any problems we might have. We do not anticipate this being a problem this summer.

DRESS CODE

We encourage all the Wonderful Wednesday participants to wear a **green t-shirt** (a VBS t-shirt is fine) and clothing good for a hot **SUMMER** day and make sure the clothing and footwear are appropriate. We ask that children not wear clothing with objectionable sayings or that may advertise alcohol or smoking.