

# Parents in Partnership

*Partnering to make a great experience for your kids*

Partnerships are where two or more people connect to create something greater than what they accomplish alone. The most important partnership in education is that between the parent, teacher and child. Learning happens when all three are cooperating, trusting, and willing to learn. When parents and teachers connect the child will have a solid foundation for learning. We are working in partnership; our part is to help you develop your kid's faith, your part is to help us build a strong program.

Here's what that looks like:

## **Partnering in Education**

*Our Part:* Our staff is made up of a team of volunteers who are giving of themselves and their Sundays to ensure that your children have a positive, safe learning enjoyment. We are there every Sunday rain or shine, but we can't do it alone.

*Your Part:* Volunteer in the classroom one Sunday per quarter. This is only four times a year, but it makes a big difference, to the staff and to your child. This element of the program is essential and it is required for registration. If you are unable volunteer on the date you committed to, you can schedule a new one. However, we ask that you take this commitment seriously.

## **Partnering in Safety**

*Our Part:* "Safe Passage" We care about your children's safety, which is why we are enacting a new "Safe Passage" system. When you drop your child off, you'll be given a ticket that has your child's name on it. When you come to pick them up, you'll hand back the ticket. This is a way to ensure that kids don't get lost in the shuffle.

*Your Part:* In order for this system to work, you need to use the card when you or a trusted friend comes to pick up and drop off your children.

## **Partnering in Experience**

*Our Part:* The reassurance that your child is having an enjoyable and age-appropriate experience with God and the Unification faith. We are working to create a joyful environment, not a scary one, so if your child needs you we'll contact you. If your child is crying or unable to participate, we'll text you in service and let you know. Also we have created a program that flows from one activity to another, ensuring that your toddler or young child doesn't get bored.

*Your Part:* That if your child needs you, you'll come for them. The other thing we ask is that you stick to the schedule. The window for dropping off your child is 9:50am to 10:25am. If you miss that window, your child can't participate in kidsLIFE that week. The window for pick up is 12:00pm to 12:15pm.

In any partnership communication is important. We're here to listen. Speak to us directly after service or reach us by email. Communication works both ways, so tell us if we're not doing our part and we'll tell you if you're not doing yours.

It is all of us as parents, children, and teachers working together that makes this program a success.

Let's make it a great experience!