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1 Corinthians 12:22-23

A Ministry for Individuals with Special Needs

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FOR PARENTS)

Q: Why is this ministry called “Indispensable?”

A: Our ministry’s name is taken from 1 Corinthians 12:22-23, which says, “On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are *indispensable*, and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unrepresentable parts are treated with greater modesty.” The word indispensable means, “absolutely necessary.” We realize that individuals with special needs are made in God’s image and play a part in the body too.

Q: What are the times this ministry is offered?

A: Indispensable is offered both services. Our service times are 8:30am and 10:30am.

Q: What does this ministry look like?

A: The following are the three options offered for this ministry:

1st & 2nd Service: Mild-to-Moderate

Location: At the Little Kids (Nursery) on the lower lot and at the Kindred Kids Building on the upper lot

It is our desire to foster and facilitate inclusion by integrating individuals with these special needs into our Kindred Kids classrooms. Each individual will be assigned a one-to-one buddy to assist and support them as they participate in our time of teaching, worship, craft, snack, and free play. The class activities vary depending on the grade.

1st Service: Adult Bible Fellowship

Location: At the High School Room on the lower lot

It is our desire to make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ by providing biblical teaching and a time of fellowship for adults with special needs. During this time, we will be providing a time of fellowship, teaching, worship, activity, and prayer.

2nd Service: Moderate-to-Medically Fragile

Location: At the Kindred Kids Building on the upper lot

It is our desire to provide care for individuals with these special needs. Each individual will be assigned a one-to-one buddy in our designated Indispensable classrooms. Their one-to-one buddy will assist and support them through our time of teaching, worship, craft, snack, and free play.

Q: What do I need to do before I bring my child on a Sunday morning?

A: Please notify us the week prior to your child or adult attending, so that we can make appropriate arrangements to best serve him or her. Also, if possible, we ask that you fill out and bring the appropriate registration form. You will find the form at kindredchurch.org/indispensable.

Q: Is there a limit to my child's disabilities that would prohibit them from coming?

A: We desire to serve all individuals regardless of the severity of their needs. Our heart's desire is to provide the best possible care to meet your child's needs.

Q: How do I check-in?

A: You will go to our Help Desk located at our Kindred Kids area. For your first check-in, each child will be assigned a unique three-digit number for that day. For all future check-in's, a permanent four-digit number will be assigned for your child. You will log in by entering your phone number into the computer.

Q: Do you have trained staff during services?

A: Yes, there will be available individuals on campus who are CPR and First Aid certified. Our regular volunteers may or may not have professional experience. What they definitely have is a willing heart and helpful hands to provide quality care for your child.

Q: How is the buddy of my child going to be selected?

A: Based on your child's needs, we match a buddy that has the necessary skills to assist your child. We also take into consideration the expressed heart's desire of our volunteers to come alongside your child's specific needs.

Q: If needed, how will I be reached in main serve?

A: If parents or guardians are needed, you will be paged via the paging system monitor in the main sanctuary or adult classrooms. You will be paged with the number that was assigned to your child. If you are unable to be paged, we will use the cell phone number provided on your registration form.

Q: Can I leave campus?

A: No, we ask that all parents and guardians remain on the church campus while your child is under our care.

Q: Who do I contact if I have more questions?

A: Contact the coordinator of Indispensable, Beth De Courcy, via email (beth@kindredchurch.org) or by phone (714.902.2825).