

Session Title	Fuel Up Speaker	Session Description
<h1>Monday, October 5 at 3:15 Eastern</h1>		
Capturing The Imagination Of Children With Media	Toby Hughes	How and where are kids spending their time? Does the church engage in similar & familiar ways? Let's explore how to use the engagement, communication, and entertainment values of media while supporting well-rounded discipleship.
Communicating To Preschoolers	Brittany Robertson	Have you ever finished teaching a lesson to preschoolers, then wondered if they learned anything at all that day? Communicating to preschoolers is so important and they have the ability to learn so much! To be most effective, preparation and strategy are key! Join us as we discuss how to communicate so preschoolers really understand and retain the message.
Creating A Church Culture For An Exciting And Engaging Summer Ministry	Sue Jakes	In a world where some may think VBS is a dinosaur approach to ministry, you can make it come alive, involving every member of your church in the best gospel teaching and outreach ever imagined. And, everyone will want to come back for more next year and the next...
Cultivating A Culture Of Worship In Kids Ministry	Terryl Padilla and John Roberts	"It's like herding cats." This is what a worship volunteer told me the first time I asked them to lead kids in worship. Kids Ministry worship can be daunting, but it can also be one of the most rewarding aspects of your ministry. Join the discussion with Worship Together Kids co-creators Terryl and John, on how to cultivate a culture of worship in Kids Ministry.
Developing A Thriving Family Ministry	Josh and Lena Wooten	Enabling strategies and tools for discipleship that lasts all week. In this Fuel Up session, you'll walk away with simple tools that you can use immediately to connect the church and home!
Do It Again! The Fundamentals Of Teaching Preschoolers	Karen McGraw	What are the key stories you should cover with this age group? How do you keep preschoolers engaged? Give your preschoolers a solid foundation in God's Word with these key fundamentals. You'll learn how to easily keep kids' attention, unleash their creativity, the best activities to use for different learning styles, and more!
Faith = Relationship! 4 Acts Of Love To Make Your Children's Ministry Irresistible	Sharon Stratmoen	Faith isn't a subject, it's a relationship. So, let's show kids how much God loves them! You'll discover four simple, yet powerful, ways to help children grow a lifelong relationship with Jesus. These four acts of love make church irresistible and will ultimately draw kids closer to their leaders, Jesus, and each other.
Gen Z And Female Friendships	Cindy Bultema	Friendship matters, especially for girls. We will unpack six things Gen Z values, particularly in friendships, and learn how best for mentors and moms to help impact this generation of girls.
Outreach: Living A Lifestyle Of Evangelism	Jeff McCullough	The great commission is for all churches and believers. We will talk and share how we can take the gospel out of the 4 walls of the church and develop meaningful relationships that lead to evangelism in our community. It only takes 2% of culture to create meaningful change. The kids in our ministries can and will change the world. Let's learn how together.
Power Packed Preschool Praise	Yancy	There is power in kids worship. Every week you can unleash this power to be at work in your classrooms. Littles love to jump and wiggle but they can also sing to the King! Yancy will share practical tips on leading these precious children in worship so you can help them use their energy to celebrate our super wonderful God.
Recruiting Volunteers: How To Win From Start To Finish	Josh Denhart	Without volunteers, the mission fails. Your effectiveness is in direct relationship to your success at recruiting volunteers.

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Taking Your Next Step To Building An Essential Preteen Ministry	Sean Sweet and Patrick Snow	Ministry with preteens can happen inside your children's ministry or can be a full-on weekly ministry of its own. No matter your situation, we'll guide you with next step options to get you moving forward.
The "Why" And "How" Of Screening For Safety	Angela Lewton	Comprehensive screening acts as a deterrent for would-be offenders and provides a layer of protection for your ministry. In this Fuel Up you'll learn how to utilize screening as a tool to eliminate easy access to children. Topics include "Top Risks for Staff & Volunteers," "7 Steps to Comprehensively Screen," "Important Interview Questions," "Youth Screening Tips," "Child Protection Policy" and "A Brief look at importance & benefits."
The Power Of A Loving, Caring Church	Kevin White and Michael Handler	Despite what a child may be facing at home, the church can significantly change their trajectory. Hear from 2 individuals who have followed Jesus because of the community of loving, caring adults who came into their lives. Discuss the difference a church's leaders can have when they allow kids to belong, believe, and become disciples of Jesus. This session will inspire your team by showing them the powerful influence a volunteer can have.
Understanding Two Parenting Cycles That Empower Kids To Thrive	Scott Turansky	Parents continually look for ways to accelerate their children's development including sports, arts, and clubs. But the greatest factor for strengthening a child's development is to use a heart-based approach with kids. In this session you'll learn about two cycles in parenting, and how to use common family dynamics to teach children life skills.
Weekend Buddy Training: Using A Scenario Case-Based Approach	Stephen "Doc" Hunsley	This workshop is geared towards any volunteer who might work with an individual with special needs from birth through adulthood in a ministry setting. We will give you a toolbox filled with crisis prevention techniques and walk you through several real life scenarios to help you feel confident and prepared to handle any situation that may arise in a special needs setting.
What Does Your Children's Space Say To Your 1st Time Visitors?	Doug Gregory and Todd Parks	Thoughtfully designed spaces not only increase your attendance, but convey your brand. Join Doug Gregory and Todd Parks from Worlds of Wow as they discuss why looking at your space through the eyes of a first-time visitor is an essential part of growing your church.
When Your Leadership Is Hindering Ministry	Karl Bastian	Far too often, children's ministry leaders find the biggest obstacle to their success is the leadership above them. Common complaints are lack of support, lack of funding, lack of interest, and lack of understanding the value of kids ministry. WE know that kids ministry is critical to the growth of an entire church. But how do you get the senior leadership to see the value and support it in ways that make a difference? Come learn the secrets of leading up!
Who Me? Lead?	Colleen Derr	Have you found yourself surprised to be a leader or feeling under-prepared for leadership? Do you see leadership abilities in yourself but aren't sure how to pursue a leadership role? As someone who has been a hesitant leader, a surprised-to-be leader, an accidental leader, an over-whelmed and under-prepared leader, and someone who had to discover my own strengths, I will share from years of leadership experiences. Together we will talk through how to lean into your strengths, pursue areas of growth, and discover leadership opportunities.

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<h1>Tuesday, October 6 at 3:15 Eastern</h1>		
4 Steps To A Successful Family Worship Event	David Ray	Bringing together the families in your church for a special worship event can be one of the most rewarding and spiritually fruitful aspects of your ministry. Learn how easy it can be to create lasting memories and Kingdom impact through a successful family worship event!
A Playful Church Is A Growing Church!	Doug Gregory and Todd Parks	Play helps us adjust to a changing world and is a fundamental part of growing your church. In this session, learn from play experts Doug Gregory and Todd Parks as they discuss why your leaders should understand play, and why it should be incorporated in our churches.
Biblical Answers To The Social Issues Of Sexuality And Environment	Bryan Osborne	God's Word has been under siege for multiple generations. As a result, the Christian worldview has collapsed as many today have embraced secular views on everything from origins to morality. When our culture asks questions dealing with issues of sexuality and the environment, etc., it must be remembered they're not innocent, unintentional questions. They stem from a rejection of biblical authority. This session provides biblical answers for some of today's toughest questions.
Biblical Worldview: What It Is, Why It Matters, And How To Shape The Worldview Of The Next Generation	Josh Mulvihill	Learn what worldview is, why it matters, and how to help children develop a biblical worldview by teaching four foundational biblical truths. This seminar will equip you to have intentional conversations so that children develop deep, lasting, and culture-transforming faith. This seminar is based on Josh's book <i>Biblical Worldview</i> .
"Bless You!"	Larry Fowler	Saying "God Bless You!" is nothing to sneeze about! Giving a blessing as part of children's ministry is one of the most meaningful, intimate things we can do for children--but it is rarely practiced. Discover how to train parents and grandparents to practice the blessing in their homes, and how to implement it in your children's ministry. Trust me--you'll be blessed!
Choose And Develop Leaders For A Resilient Discipleship World	Abel Lopez	Building an effective ministry requires a team of leaders that can impact lives in their church and community. Our challenge is: How can we choose leaders and what steps should we take to develop them? In this seminar, you will be equipped with the tools to both choose and develop the leaders for the journey of discipleship.
Coaching Parents For Discipleship	Josh and Lena Wooten	Parents often want to disciple their children but don't know how. In this Fuel Up session, Josh and Lena will give you simple ways that you can begin coaching parents for discipleship.
Connecting Girls In A Disconnected World	Cindy Bultema	In a culture where we're hyper-connected via technology and social media, it can seem daunting to inspire girls to cultivate real, meaningful relationships. But it is possible! Let's explore practical tips together.
Creating A Culture Where Parents See Preteen Ministry As Essential	Robert Quinn and James Powell	Life is busy, but parents need to understand why now is the critical time to prioritize the spiritual development of their preteen. Learn the WHYS and the HOWS to win your parents over.
Easy Fund Raising And NO SELLING	Ben Rodda	If you hate asking for money or selling things to raise money for your ministry then this is a great session for you. In this session we will talk about creating a fund raising campaign which allows you to share with others the thing you love most, Your Kids! At the end of the session I will share some examples of effective campaigns which DO NOT include things like "The Worlds Finest Chocolate", Cookie Dough, or Christmas Wreathes!

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Filling The Gaps In Your Protection Policies	Ryan Carter	During this session, Ryan Carter from Protect My Ministry will go over the common "gaps" he sees when helping churches create and update their protection policies. Topics will include background checks, volunteer training, physical safety, and much more!
How To Make Small Groups Win For Kids	Mike Clear	If the thought of collecting all your kids into groups of 8–10 and giving them a leader to guide their conversations scares you a little, this breakout is just for you. In this time, we'll unpack best practices for your volunteers and strategic shifts you can make programmatically to make your groups for kids the best part of their week.
How To Talk To Kids About Death And Tragedy	Brian Dollar	Learn how to navigate the difficult waters of death and tragedy with kids and their parents. Based on my book, "Talk Now And Later: Leading Kids Through Life's Toughest Topics."
Leading Worship Like David	Yancy	This will be a game changer for how you lead kids in worship. You have to do more than just press play on a song to help kids learn how to worship. Yancy will help you look at David's life and example of worship and share practical steps that will help you lead kids into God's presence.
Making <i>Your</i> Class Rock!	Karl Bastian	"You Rock!" is one of the highest compliments a child can give a teacher. What makes some classrooms or ministries more fun and effective than others? Why are some teachers remembered into adulthood when most are quickly forgotten? What can set YOUR class apart from all the rest, while at the same time, have a greater life impact? Rock your class and rock a kid's world!
Preschoolers And Media	Toby Hughes	Media is engaging preschoolers at very early ages in multiple parts of their lives. What should our response be as the church? Is there an educational and biblical basis for media-based storytelling?
Training Our Parents To Teach Their Children	B.A. Snider	We should have parents teaching their children all of the time, COVID-19 clearly focused this idea.
Training Volunteers: A Radically Different Approach	Josh Denhart	Learn new and out-of-the-box strategies to effectively train volunteers.
Why What You Do For Children is Vitally Important - Therefore, Be Equipped!	Lee Ann Mancini	In this increasingly evil world we are losing our children! This session will educate you on what needs to be done. Current methods are no longer working. Out of 100 high school Christian seniors only 15 remain in Christ after graduation! And these children come from families that pray together, go to church, and attended only a Christian school. We need to prepare the soil and cultivate the seeds for deep roots!
Worship As One: Kids In The Mix	Victoria White	Kids of all abilities worshiping together - what a beautiful glimpse of heaven! Leaders, Volunteers and Parents, we'll "fill your tank" with inspiration, motivation, ideas and practical resources to engage and support kids of all abilities in meaningful worship of our mighty God!

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<h1>Wednesday, October 7 at 3:15 Eastern</h1>		
3 Scriptures That Will Transform Your Children's Ministry	Larry Fowler	Are you aware of all Scripture has to say about discipling children? Larry Fowler unpacks three passages that will give greater purpose and meaning to the "why" and "how" of your ministry. Learn how to share these incredible biblical truths with your team, and get the tools to do it. Larry will be sharing concepts from his children's ministry book, <i>Rock Solid Kids</i> .
A Lectionary-Aligned, Gospel-Centered Approach to Ministry	Charlie Holt and Christine O'Brien	Are you looking to ignite the hearts and engage the minds of children and families? Come discover how a lectionary-aligned, Gospel centered approach to ministry will foster intergenerational connections over the Scriptures. Learn how to align teaching across all ages and stages, and consider the benefits of teaching the same topic at developmentally appropriate levels in ways that will enrich each and every life your ministry touches.
Age-Level Insights For Spiritual Development In Early Childhood	Sharon Stratmoen	The first five years of a child's life are the most crucial when it comes to development. Researchers say that intellectual development is half over by age five. We'll explore how teaching the Bible to young children is a top priority for spiritual formation. You'll better understand the kids you serve and gain practical ideas for sharing Jesus in ways that connect perfectly with each child's physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual development.
Becoming A Relational Leader	Byron Ragains	Do you prefer paperwork or people? Is your office door open or closed? What really are the behaviors and disciplines of a relational leader? Let's roll over 4 huge rocks that will make way for you to become a leader who is relational.
Biblical Answers To Suffering, Age Of The Earth, And Evolution	Bryan Osborne	"Where did God come from? Why is there death and suffering if God exists? Doesn't carbon dating disprove the Bible? Isn't evolution a fact?" In this session, you'll hear quick, biblical answers to some of the most-asked questions about God, the Bible, creation, and evolution. Your faith will be encouraged by the overwhelming scientific confirmation of God's Word and you'll be better equipped to give an answer for your faith and boldly proclaim the gospel!
But First, Listen: Creating And Implementing Feedback Loops With Parents	Melanie Hester	Have you ever received feedback from a parent and then implemented said feedback to only find out it wasn't exactly what that parent was looking for? The role of a kidmin leader often requires you to actively listen to what's being communicated in addition to picking up on what is NOT being verbalized. Let's expand our resilience as leaders and unpack the foundations of effective communication with parents!
Games For Christmas And More - There Are Still Ways To Play!	Julie Heath	Looking for games that will work within social distancing guidelines? Considering a way to do special seasonal events? Look no further! We will look at some fun games to share the Christmas story with children and preteens. We will also explore ways to adapt and adjust classic games for social distancing. Speaking of games... everyone in the session will have a chance to win a door prize!
Getting Senior Leadership Onboard With Special Needs Ministry	Stephen "Doc" Hunsley	Are you trying to start a Special Needs Ministry at your church but are having difficulty getting your senior leadership to understand your vision? Or are you part of the senior leadership and have concerns about starting another ministry? We will debunk all of the myths on why one can't do a Special Needs Ministry! This workshop will help give you the tools to have effective conversations with the church's senior leadership in order to promote the initiation of a Special Needs Ministry - even in adverse situations.

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Gospel Illusions & Amazing Object Lessons!	David Laflin	Learn simple illusions and object lessons that are fun, easy to do, and your kids will love!
How Does Special Needs Ministry Fit In My Kids' Ministry?	Marie Kuck	Do you ever feel special needs ministry is like fitting a square peg in a round hole? Come get tips, practical tools, helpful resources and unique ways to make ALL kids fit in your ministry.
How To Bring Children Into The Presence Of God	Becky Fischer	Without experiencing the presence of God for him/herself, all we have done for our kids has been to give them head knowledge with no heart knowledge, and religion with no relationship. Until they experience Him for themselves, all they have is our word that He is real. It is imperative that we create opportunities for our children to experience His presence on a regular basis in our services. We will give you tips and examples of how to do it.
I'm Yelling, But Nobody Is Listening!	Karl Bastian	Marketing and Communication in children's ministry is both challenging and critical. Getting information out is more challenging than ever in an information saturated world and getting responses even harder. How do we communicate, explain, invite, confirm, schedule and celebrate all that is going on in our ministries without it just becoming more noise? Come ready to learn and share how you keep your parents and volunteers "in the know!"
Including (Not Just Occupying) Kids In A Family Worship Service	Brittany Nelson	As churches re-open, many are choosing to hold family services, and even churches that offer children's ministry programming may still have families who choose to worship together. This shift in Sunday morning services provides a unique opportunity to equip parents and engage children in the body of the church. In this Fuel Up session, we'll discuss practical ideas for including, not just occupying, children in a family service.
Making Early Faith Stick	Miss PattyCake (Jean Thomason)	What can we do to create "sticky faith" in little children? How can we help them have authentic encounters with God, know Jesus as their Savior, and be filled with the Holy Spirit? How do we help them discover and experience God's presence?
Retaining Volunteers: Never Lose A Good One Again!	Josh Denhart	The development and retention of volunteers is critical. This breakout is FILLED with ready to implement strategies.
Standing In The Gap – Becoming A Voice For The Voiceless	Melodie Bissell	Children matter! Melodie challenges attendees to leverage our knowledge and experience to speak on behalf of the children. We will learn the seven steps predators use to groom children. We will also learn how to respond to and report abuse. We will also discover from Melodie's doctoral research a descriptive profile of a safe and an unsafe person as described by victim-survivors of abuse. Together we can make our world safer.
Starting From Scratch	B.A. Snider	How to restart our children's ministry as we re-enter church and our new normal.
Stop Teaching... And Add Response Time For Preteens	Sean Sweet and Robert Quinn	Preteens crave time to process! Structuring your time with response stations will be a game changer in attitude and engagement as your preteens jump at the chance to participate.
The Hidden Door	Matt Adams	Have you ever let your limitations define your ministry? What if God has something more for you to consider? This session will discuss what God-sized dreams might look like and will give practical applications for how to see those dreams come to fruition. It's almost like finding a hidden door to success... If such a door existed, wouldn't you want to walk through it? Don't let your limitations define you! Let this session inspire you!
Worship Leading For Non-musicians!! Anyone Can Lead Worship	Jeff McCullough	Learn how to use music and hand motion resources to lead kids in meaningful worship times even if you can't play a note or sing. We are all made to worship. I'll show you how we can make it fun and easy.

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<h1>Friday, October 9 at 3:15 Eastern</h1>		
Adapting Instruction For Special Needs Ministry	Laura Deeken	Language delays and disorders are common in many children with special needs. Learn how to teach Biblical concepts that are meaningful and will connect with children beyond teaching time.
ADHD, Oppositional Defiance, And Other Challenges In Children	Scott Turansky	A heart-based approach to biological challenges in children is powerful. These children need special care and training. In this session you will learn how to equip parents to address significant challenges such as ADHD and Oppositional Defiant Disorder. Seven heart-based tools are presented.
Bible Stories That Stick-With Just Four Sticks!	Barney Kinard	Introducing the new global Bible storytelling method. This is a hands-on session on how to use Story Sticks to illustrate any Bible Story. It is amazing! Even kids can do it.
Biblical Answers To "Ape-men", Noah's Ark And The Flood, And Dinosaurs	Bryan Osborne	"Was there really a flood? Doesn't distant starlight prove millions of years? What about the Ape-men? What about dinosaurs?" In this session, you'll hear quick, biblical answers to some of the most-asked questions about God, the Bible, creation and evolution. Your faith will be encouraged by the overwhelming scientific confirmation of God's Word and you'll be better equipped to obey the call to give an answer for your faith and boldly proclaim the gospel!
Branding Your Ministry	Toby Hancock	We will be covering the basic marketing concepts in expanding the reach of your ministry through relevant and effective branding and marketing.
Drawing Bible Stories With A Surprise For The Eyes	Nathan Dorrell	Learn to turn water into wine, give sight to the blind, turn sinners into saints, and more in order to share Bible stories. Do amazing tricks with a magic marker. Simple drawings, no artistic ability required... just a little practice with each Bible story.
Honey Bees And The Bible: Teaching Children About God Through Nature	Martha Yamnitz	Children are curious about things in nature. Give them an opportunity to look inside a live honey bee hive and you immediately capture their attention. But what do honey bees have to do with the story of the paralyzed man in Mark 2, or the prodigal son in Luke 15, or how about the good Samaritan in Luke 10? Learn ways to use a child's natural curiosity about the world to pique their interest and instill biblical lessons.
How To Use Games To Teach The Gospel!	Taylor Griswold	Learn how to grab and KEEP your kids attention through fun skits and games! Then, easily connect the fun to their faith. You'll learn our Top Ten Tips for playing games with kids in a large group setting. And, how to use games to clearly share the Gospel. This will be a high-energy, interactive experience with lots of hands-on learning and actionable steps you can do on your own. And our crazy mascot "Kazoo" will have a few surprises up his sleeve!
Ministering To The Scattered Lambs	David Genn	Who is ministering to your children? For the most part, it is the secular media. So, the issue... Why should we, and HOW should we, have biblical input into their lives in the middle of these "Stay at Home" directives?
Preparing Children For Baptism And How To Baptize Safely During A Pandemic	Jenny Stainback	Learn how to prepare children for baptism and why it is important. Also, we will discuss different options for baptizing children safely during a pandemic.

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Puppets Are Back!	JJ Graves	Over the past several years, the “puppet team” has seen a sharp decline, but puppets are currently more effective and culturally relevant than ever before. Disney, Netflix, Apple, HBO (and more!) are all using puppets as an important part of their strategy for growth. In this class, we'll talk about the new face of Christian puppetry, and some tips and tricks to effectively use this simple and engaging art form to powerfully reach this new generation of kids for Christ.
Ready, Set, Math!	Daryl Funn	Sword of the Spirit trading cards are the most exciting way to engage groups in Vacation Bible School as well as the not-so-usual Sunday School. Learn how to make the Bible come alive through game play, Scripture memorization, understanding the power of the Spirit, building the tabernacle, and putting on the full armor of God, all in an effort build your spirit man to 7000 points for the win. Included in each game is a step-by-step curriculum.
The Importance Of Follow-up With Students And Parents	Brian Jones	Helping churches, religious organizations, and camp leaders understand the importance of touching base with their students and parents all year long. Now more than ever we need to reach out and be a part of the lives of our kids and their parents as they traverse the COVID-19 pandemic. We also need to understand the implications that follow-up has for not only our ministries but for family life as well.
The Mirror Effect: Are We Modeling Kingdom Discipleship For Today's Children	Samuel Porcha	The landscape of the church today is drastically changing and the competition for the hearts of our children is steadily increasing. Do we have the right strategy for today? Are we recognizing the barriers and obstacles or are we living in the blind spots? This session will help you evaluate and identify the blind spots and create a pathway to Kingdom discipleship for the next generation.
To Become One With Our Heavenly Father	Ann Wilson	“That they may be one, even as we are one” (John17;22) We as ministers of our Lord need to become one with our Heavenly Father. While working in the ministry we sometimes neglect Christ because we are so busy doing the work of the Lord when our first priority should be our relationship with our Lord! This starts with prayer, fasting, and studying God's Word! We can look around and see that the Lord has given us a wake up call!
Turning VBS Inside OUT!	Joni Alexander	Reach your neighborhoods with the love and good news of Jesus by taking your summer programs to the FRONT YARDS of your community! A Power Up Club ministry will resource and train your church on the unique ways to connect with spiritually disengaged families in your community.
Why Preteens Are Vulnerable And Why Security Is Essential	Paula Mazza and James Powell	Safety issues only grew in 2020 for this developing age group. From weekly gatherings to events, to camps, and now more ZOOM events than ever before... security must be essential.