# <u>Derwood Bible Church - Children's Ministry</u> KidZone: 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teachers

# **Purpose:**

The KidZone teacher is a Christian adult who guides, loves, teaches, and cares for the children in a specific class. The teacher prays for the children in the class, desires to build relationships with them, and thoughtfully and prayerfully plans and implements a classroom ministry for them.

# **Responsible To:**

Pastor of Community Development

## **Ministry Description:**

- Commit to be present each Sunday morning scheduled.
- Prepare lessons in advance and come to teach thoroughly prepared.
- Teach the Sunday school class.
- Pray regularly for each child, your teaching ministry, and other volunteers on your team.
- Be ready in the school hallway when kids are dismissed from the main service to KidZone to lead kids to their class; remain until last child has been picked up.
- Ensure that classroom is clean and set up properly before the main worship service begins.
- Gather all needed supplies before the main worship service begins.
- Swap schedule with another teacher or arrange for a substitute teacher from the approved list of subs if you can't serve when scheduled.
- Work to include and involve parents in your classroom.
- Attend teacher training meetings.
- Follow all established safety and security guidelines for children's ministry programs, including submitting to the church's policies on screening, background checks, safety training, etc.
- Attend training on child protection, health issues, and other procedures.

#### Time Required:

1-2 hours preparing for class. 1.5 hour in the classroom to lead children to class, welcome children, teach, send children home with parents, and clean up after the class.

### **Length of Commitment:**

Each Sunday for 3 months

#### **Training Provided:**

- Use teacher's guides of curriculum provided by DBC.
- Ask your director for any other specialized training you need to deal with needs in your classroom.

#### **Qualifications/Special Skills:**

- A strong and growing personal commitment to Jesus.
- Strong interest and belief in the value of Christian education for children.
- A heart, passion, and love for children, particularly of those in the age group you'll be teaching.
- Committed to values and vision of the church and of the larger children's ministry.
- Organizational, planning, creative, and administrative skills.
- Strong commitment to teaching and learning in a fun, active, and interactive environment.
- Enthusiasm.
- Ability to work with other volunteers in a team environment.
- Dependable
- To be a praying, joyfully giving, participating member of the church.

#### **Benefits to the Volunteer:**

• Grow in your own knowledge of the Bible as you prepare lessons and teach classes; enrich your personal faith as you teach faith to others; feel satisfied in knowing that you're making a significant contribution to the spiritual formation and growth of children; get to know the children of the church as well as their parents.