



## THE GOSPEL CHANGES EVERYTHING

We use a Gospel-centered curriculum called “The Gospel Project.”

The Bible is not just a collection of stories; it is one story, the story of God’s plan to rescue His people from sin and death. It is the story of redemption, the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

And it’s our story, too. The Gospel Project is a Bible study resource that invites kids to dive deeply into God’s story of redemption through Jesus Christ. In every lesson, participants are immersed in the gospel and learn that when the Christ works in them, they become a part of the story, too — the very hands and feet in God’s gospel project.

Teachers are equipped with a written lesson and short video, as well as activity pages, songs, games, and crafts to reinforce what they’re learned.

Each week a newsletter is sent to parents/guardians with what their children learned and ways to apply it throughout the week. As well as helpful resources to come alongside you as you take on the role of disciplining in your home.



## PARENT INFORMATION



## GKIDS

At Grace Road, we love our kids and believe they are a vital member of our church family. You'll hear us emphasize the importance of parents taking the lead role in discipling their children. We believe there is no substitute for a loving parent who seeks to raise their kids to know and love God.

Children are not in need of a simplified Jesus. They need the real Savior, the real Gospel, hard conversations about sin and the story of redemption just as much as we do as adults. We don't want to give your kids a "dumbed down" version of the Kingdom. Our hope is that the children at Grace Road will grow up with an early understanding of scripture and the story of the Gospel from the Old to the New Testament, a love for God and His church, and a community of peers and leaders who desire to grow in the same areas.

We are here to come alongside of you and equip both you and your kids with Gospel-centered curriculum through the Gospel Project, worship, crafts, and take-home supplements to continue the conversation. Kids classes are more than just distracting your kids for a couple of hours on a Sunday morning. We hope that as you leave Grace Road Church on a Sunday you're not the only ones in the car with worship songs still in your heart, thoughts about what was taught, and encouraged by the body of Christ.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children; it is a privilege to serve them and you!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR



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## CHECK-IN, DROP OFF & PICK UP

### CHECK-IN

Grace Road uses an electronic check-in system. Upon arrival, You can use any one of the four check in stations in the GKids main corridor to check-in your children. Simply type in the last four digits of your telephone number > select your family > Select the children attending GKids > "Check in # person".

### STICKERS

A sticker will print for each of your children with the date, their classroom and a number unique to each child as well as one parent tag. The parent tag will list your children, the date and their assigned numbers.

These stickers are one of the many measures we use to ensure your child(ren)'s safety while in our care.

**YOU WILL NEED TO PRESENT THE PARENT STICKER TO ENTER THE GKIDS WING.**

### PAGING

If you are needed at any time during the service, your child's number will flash on the main auditorium screen. In order to get your children out of their class, you must bring your parent sticker.

### DROP-OFF

Each child is dropped off to their individual classroom with the exception of our Big Kids who are dropped off at the Wanda Room entrance and then directed to their small group space. At the door you will be greeted by a volunteer taking attendance. Please give the volunteer your child's name and tag number for that day.

### PICK-UP

Similar to Drop-off, a volunteer will meet you at the classroom door with the attendance sheet. This volunteer is going to match your parent tag to your child's before releasing them to you as well as crossing that child's name off of your parent tag. You may also give the volunteer your tag to safely dispose of. It is very important that parent tags are carefully disposed of to ensure only those who should, have access to the GKids wing.



## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

If there is ever a need to evacuate the building, the following procedure has been put in place:

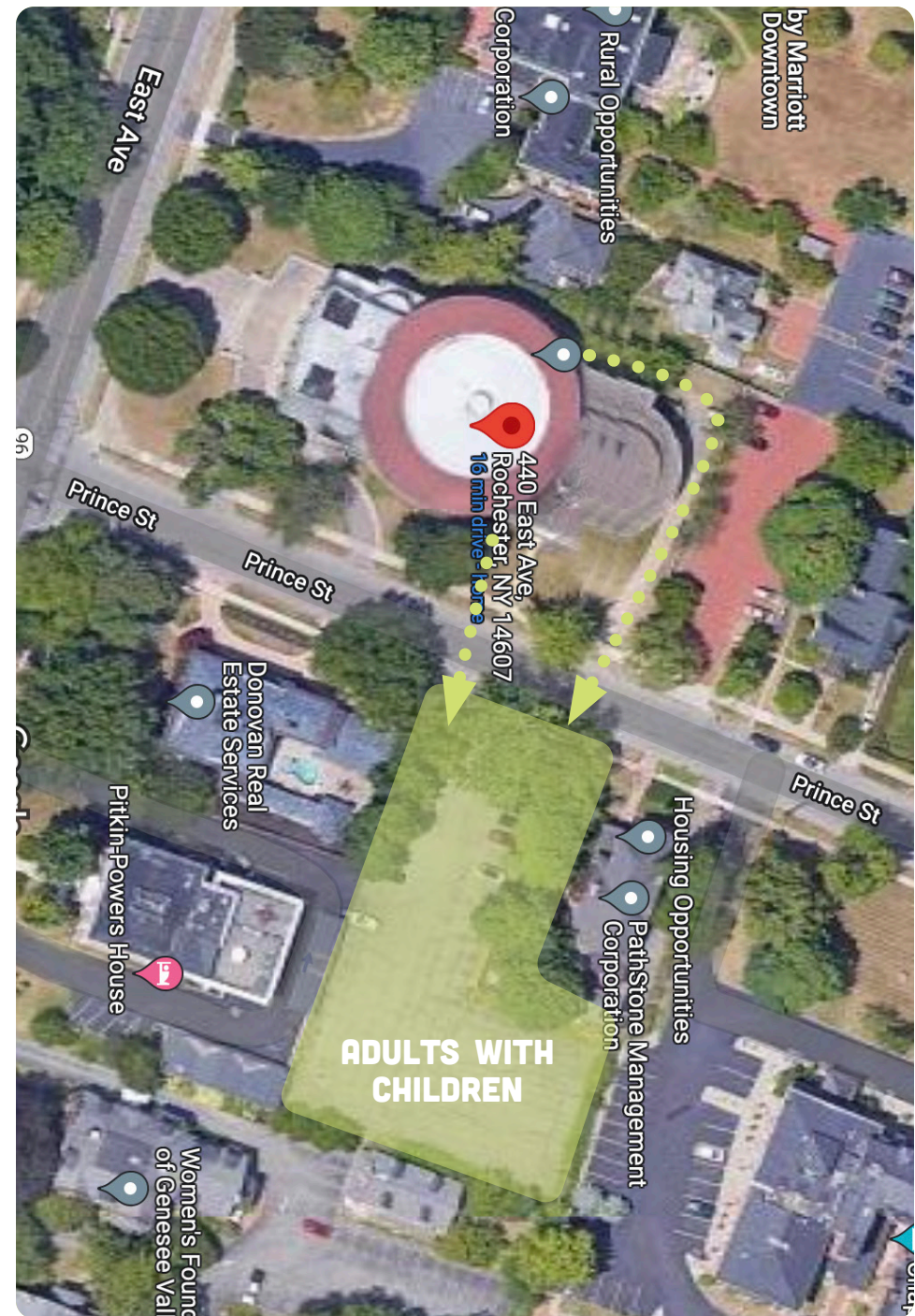
GKids volunteers, safety team and staff will escort/carry children out of the building via the 3s or 4s Emergency Exit doors, and both GKids wing entrances. They will proceed to the Prince St parking lot. Parents will be instructed to meet us there. Children may not be released to their parents until a complete headcount has been taken. The Children's Director will double check attendance.

**Do not get your children from classrooms. This will clog up the hallways and make evacuation slower. They will be safely escorted outside by volunteers, staff, and elders.**

Volunteers will take written attendance at drop-off of service. In the event of an emergency, we will refer to this list and do a head count when we reach our meeting place.

### **Adults without children:**

Exit the building, and move away from the building. If you are seated in the auditorium, exit building via exit doors at back of auditorium.



## WHAT TO BRING (INFANTS)

- Diaper bag with diapers and wipes
- Labeled sippy cup or bottle
- Complete change of clothes
- We provide Happy Baby Organic Superfood Puffs.

If you don't want your child to have these, please let us know.

## ALLERGIES AND NEEDS

Let us know if your child has any medical needs or allergies. In Infants we serve puffs, and Toddlers on up we serve fruit snacks. We do not allow outside food into the classrooms, but we want to make sure we know who has allergies so we can be vigilant and keep all students safe.

If your child has any learning or behavioral needs, or if there's anything else we should know, please tell us! We welcome all kids and want to make sure our teachers and your kids have the best experience possible.

## HEALTH POLICY

In order to ensure a healthy and safe environment for all children, we ask that you not check a child in GKids who has had any of the following symptoms in the last 24 hours:

- Any colored discharge from the nose or eyes
- Clear runny nose not associated with teething or allergies
- Repeated coughing or sneezing
- Any body rash (excluding diaper rash)
- Fever, vomiting, diarrhea

## CLASSROOMS

The GKids classrooms are split up by age in an effort to have children at similar developmental stages together. We also give families flexibility to place their children in the classroom that will best serve their child's individual and developmental needs.

Classrooms are split as follows:

**INFANTS: 0-18 MONTHS**

**TODDLERS: 18 MONTHS-2 YEARS**

**THREES: 3 YEARS**

**FOURS: 4 YEARS**

**BIG KIDS: 5-12 YEARS**

Separated by age in to small groups.



## VOLUNTEERS

All GKids Volunteers (as well as church staff, and all other volunteers interacting with children) must attend Grace Road for 6 months, be a member, complete abuse prevention training, and pass a background check. Your child's safety is a top priority at Grace Road Church.