

MINISTRY PROFILE

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 4:10-11)

At TAC Kids, we strive for each child to continuously build a stronger relationship and understanding of God and His word, be well-equipped to share their faith, and find belonging within the body of Christ. Kids ministry leadership provides a rewarding (and fun) opportunity to create a lasting impact on the lives of our youngest church members.

We are actively and continuously seeking willing individuals to serve in our growing kids ministry! Please see below for some frequently asked questions to help you get a better picture about what it would be like to help in TAC Kids. If you have any other questions, you are welcome to contact Natasha Hartwig (natasha@tachurch.ca) or the church office for even more information.

FAQ's:

Q: So, what's it like upstairs?

A: Our kids are usually dismissed from the main service after a few songs and general announcements. Once upstairs, all ages (pre-school to grade 4) are together in our main area where the Lead Teacher will begin the morning's lesson. During this time, our other leaders are assisting kids to navigate their bible, passing out 'seeds', and keeping the peace. After the main

teaching, children will be dismissed into age-appropriate rooms—this is where you will take over! The teacher and helper for each room will continue the conversation (with help of a pre-planned curriculum) and conduct some fun activities! This usually lasts about 15-20 minutes. Everyone will then come back into the main room where the lead teacher will wrap up the morning and kids will be dismissed as parents arrive!

Q: How often would I be upstairs serving?

A: Ideally, our amazing leaders serve on a 2 week on, 4 weeks off basis. However, we can be flexible! Let us know what works for you and we will try and find an area that will work for your schedule. Further, if you're willing to help a little extra, we can also keep you "on-call" in case we need some extra helping hands.

Q: Can I choose an age-group to serve with?

A: We will always try our best to match you with an area or age-group that you are excited about teaching! If you have an area, you think would be best for your gifting, let us know! However, we do have specific age-groups that are more in need of volunteers than others. If we cannot place you in your ideal room, we hope you will still consider joining another group—there is no 'bad' area to serve!!

Q: Am I ever teaching alone?

A: Never. Our small groups always will have a main teacher and a helper to direct the curriculum activities and conversations. Plus, our Kids Director will be around for additional support if necessary! We want you to feel equipped and supported during the entire service.

Q: Do I know enough to be a teacher?

A: Absolutely! First, we believe that everyone has something to contribute. As Christians, if we live only within the area of our direct spiritual gifts, we could be missing an opportunity to grow, develop new giftings, and bring the good news to new people. Second, we always have a pre-set curriculum for you to work off of (however, we do allow and encourage our leaders to improvise or expand upon the curriculum if they desire to do so). Our lessons provide a detailed guideline of how to run your small group room, so as long as you read those few pages over before Sunday morning, you're all set! Our director is also happy to go over the curriculum with you and make sure you're fully prepared for Sunday morning.

Q: Will they like me?

A: This is one of the most common questions about working kids, and for good reason! As ministry leaders (and human beings), it's important for us to know that we're well-received as we pour into these lives. We believe that the Holy Spirit is moving within our ministry and God is full of love, joy, and faithfulness (among other amazing qualities). We can take comfort in knowing that where God is moving, these qualities are abundant. Kids also desire belonging and encouragement, and leaders provide that every Sunday! So long story short, you have nothing to worry about.