

How Can You Invest?

Think back to your childhood. Who are the people who impacted you? For me, it was my parents, Sunday School teachers, church leaders, and other godly adults. Whether they told me a Bible story, helped me memorize Scripture, encouraged me to bring friends to church, or prayed with me, they taught me about Christ through their words and actions. I am thankful for my church and godly adults who saw the importance of investing in children's lives.

Now as an adult, I accept the privilege and responsibility of investing in children's lives. I saw firsthand the impact it can have and want the same for children in my church. As we celebrate Children's Ministry Day, find ways to invest in the lives of children. Consider teaching a Sunday School or Vacation Bible School class, inviting children in your neighborhood to church, praying for the children, or asking church leaders how you can help and support the Children's Ministry. God will use your willingness and faithfulness as you serve Him to impact children's lives.

I am confident the Lord used godly adults to help develop His call in my life, just as He can use you to develop His call in other children's lives. Future children's ministers, pastors, parents, missionaries, and other church leaders are in your church. I pray that when they are adults and think back to their childhood, they will be able to say God used adults in their churches to invest in their lives, and show them what it means to serve and follow Christ.

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Children's Ministry Day

*Don't let anyone
despise your youth,
but set an example
for the believers in **speech**,
in **conduct**, in **love**,
in **faith**, and in **purity**.*

1 TIMOTHY 4:12 (CSB)

SAPPONY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Michael Dickey

May 19, 2024

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Invocation and welcome

Hymn No. 469 "Revive Us Again"

Hymn No. 243 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Missionary Prayer Calendar Helen Rideout

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn 244 "Spirit of the Living God"

Doxology

Scripture Acts 2:1-13

Message Rev. Mike Dickey

"They Were All Filled"

Hymn No. 317 "Only Trust Him"

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be in prayer for our sick and shut-ins as they are unable to be here with us.

The children will be collecting small "T" Shirts for the month of May for The Shoe Box Ministry.

May 12th through June 16th we will be collecting money for Pure water, Pure love. This provides money for water filters for missionaries and the families they are sharing Jesus Love with.

Look for our daily devotional on our website
www.sapponybaptist1773.com.

To subscribe to our text alerts, text "JOIN" to 804-430-6282. We send out prayer requests and reminders.

Missed a sermon? Or just want to hear it again? Our past sermons are available on our website, Facebook, Youtube, and your favorite podcast app.

Don't forget to be in prayer ahead of the next business meeting about the direction of our mission funding.

PRE-READ FOR NEXT WEEK: Romans 8:12-17