

GRANGER KIDS MISSION

Helping kids take their next steps toward Christ...together.

DEPARTMENTAL PURPOSE

We partner with families to train up children to trust, love and serve God.

CORE STATEMENT

Granger Kids strives to partner with all families to train up children to trust, love and serve God. We provide safe, secure and enjoyable experiences whereby each child can begin to discover their personal relationship WITH Christ and their unique purpose IN Christ. As the anchor of a child's spiritual formation, we foster family relationships as well as consistent small groups, mentors and peer friendships. We continually re-examine, re-imagine and re-create the best method of communicating the truth of God's word in age-appropriate and culturally relevant ways. We do this so that kids will be able to understand and apply truth easily within the context of their own lives. With the understanding that loving God is inseparable from loving one's neighbor, we work with families to inspire and guide their children to elevate their local and global community. We accomplish all of this by nurturing a team whereby each member recognizes, embraces and acts from within their unique gifting. Above all, NOTHING that we do will be outside the truth of the love and life of Jesus Christ, for this IS a broken world and we are a part of a larger story in which we are responsible for helping to bring the Kingdom of God...here...NOW!

**WE VALUE
STEPS**

**WHICH WAY
ARE YOUR
FEET POINTED?**

God wants us to grow up, to know the whole truth and tell it in love—like Christ in everything. We take our lead from Christ, who is the source of everything we do. He keeps us in step with each other. His very breath and blood flow through us, nourishing us so that we will grow up healthy in God, robust in love.
-Ephesians 4:15-16 (MSG)

Interpretation for Granger Kids: We are committed to providing experiences whereby each child can discover their next step in finding their unique purpose IN Christ and their personal relationship WITH Christ.

WE VALUE
TEAM

WE IS
BETTER THAN ME

Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. Don't compare yourself with others. Each of you must take responsibility for doing the creative best you can with your own life. Be very sure now, you who have been trained to a self-sufficient maturity, that you enter into a generous common life with those who have trained you, sharing all the good things that you have and experience. - Galatians 6:4-6 (MSG)

Interpretation for Granger Kids: We believe that ministry is best accomplished amidst relationship, a team of leaders, children and families recognizing, embracing and acting from within their unique gifting.

WE VALUE
IMPACT

WHATEVER
IT TAKES

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. -Colossians 3:17 (NIV)

Interpretation for Granger Kids: We are committed to continually innovating and implementing the best methods of contextualizing our content and environment to the culture—not to dilute, but to enhance the ability of the child to understand God's truth applied in the world around them.

WE VALUE
LOVE

PEOPLE
MATTER

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

-Matthew 22:37-39 (NIV)

Interpretation for Granger Kids: We value helping children and families develop whole-hearted devotion to Christ, and inspiring their God-given, unique purpose to elevate their local and global community.

WE VALUE
TRUTH

IT DARES YOU TO
SEE THINGS
DIFFERENTLY

Understanding your word brings light to the minds of ordinary people. -Psalm 119:130 (CEV)

Interpretation for Granger Kids: We seek to communicate the truth of God's word in clear, age-appropriate ways so that children understand not only *what* to do, but *who* they are in Christ-transformed.