

Parents' Homework Helper -- A Partnership-in-Parenting Ministry of CLS

Children are God's Homework Assignment to Parents!

- Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22.6
- Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. Psalm 127.1
- Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Peter 3.18
- Children are God's homework assignment to parents. They will be collected and often corrected; we will be graded.

Rationale:

The Vision Statement of LSH acknowledges that the best education comes from a partnership of students, parents, school, church and community. God's Word entrusts parents with the responsibility of passing on the Christian faith to their children. Therefore, LSH is more than just an education and more than a ministry to students; it is a partnership in which we, together, educate, equip, develop, promote, challenge, and endow our children to be disciples of Jesus Christ.

Plan:

- ALL parents will be invited, with the students, to commit to a thru-the-Bible-in-4-years reading program.
- ALL parents will be invited to participate in a four-year partnership of attending weekly classes, titled **Homework Helper**, which will equip and enable parents to do their God-given homework of raising their children more effectively and with the prayers and partnership of fellow parents and the school. The classes will be annually offered in two semesters of 6 weeks each, on Thursday evenings, 7-8:30pm, at LSH. The purposes of the classes are...
 - To help parents with their most important homework assignment from the Lord: raising their children in the *training and instruction of the Lord* (Eph. 6.4), and
 - To provide a forum for support, sharing of ideas, encouragement, and prayer for parenting LSH students,
 - To educate and equip parents with Biblical knowledge and parenting skills in order that they may fulfill their responsibilities as Christian parents.
- Format:
 - 7:00pm Welcome
 - 7:05pm Devotions -- Rotation among parents
 - 7:15pm Topics Presentation (by Pastor Bill, special guests, videos, etc.)
 - 7:45pm Small groups according to ages/interests
 - 8:20pm Prayer for all students
 - 8:30pm Go home and continue *homework!*
- Parent "graduates" will be acknowledged, and *Homework Helper* diplomas will be awarded.
- Propose we start classes in October of inaugural year – beginning with the New Testament, so that everything, school as well as Bible reading project will be seen "through the lens of Jesus."

Outcomes:

- Parents as well as students will have read through the Bible over the 4 yr. course (something 70% of Christians have never done) – and will have the power of God's Word active in their lives, families, vocations, and service (Isaiah 55).
- Parents will have equipped themselves with, AND practiced in their homes, Christian parenting skills; they will have had a structure and a group of peers with whom they will have prayed their children "through high school"; and parents will have developed a life-pattern of prayer and parenting which will continue to guide their children.

Year FALL TERM SPRING TERM 6-wks Thursdays, 7-8:30pm

Fall: Oct. 4 - Nov 8

Spring: April 3 - May 8

Yr. 2 08-09	Genesis-I Samuel	Law & Israel: 1-God created us male & female (Christian sexuality, dating), 2-Law/Rules at home, school, and in the world, 3-Discipline (logical/appropriate consequences.), Catechism: 1-Commandments 1-2, 2-Commandments 3-6, 3-Commandments 7-10.
Yr. 3 09-10	II Samuel-Song of Solomon	HIS-Story: 1-Peer pressure, 2-Covenant s & friends, 3-Dating & marriage/boundaries & blessings. Catechism: 1-Lord's Prayer, 2- Prayer 3-Lord's Prayer.
Yr. 4 10-11	Isaiah-Malachi	Prophets: 1-Being prophets globally & locally, 2-Christian worldview, 3-Living in/not of the world. Catechism: 1-Creed- 1 st Article, 2-Creed-2 nd Article, 3-Creed-3 rd Article
Yr. 1 07-08	Matthew-Revelation 1-Adjusting to High School- for students & parents; 2-Letting out the line, while keeping it taut; 3-Home devotions "Double Ds"; 4-Choosing/encouraging friends; 5-Finding a Paul, Timothy, Barnabas; 6-Boundaries (movies, friends, places).	Jesus Christ & Kingdom Living: 1-Following Jesus (worship, Scripture, praying, tithing), 2-Ambassadors of Jesus in an Alien World, 3-Transformational Servant Leadership. Catechism: 4-Baptism, 5-Communion, 6-Keys of the Kingdom