

## Rio Sunday School

Parent and Family Resources

### FYI

#### Volunteer this Fall

As you begin to plan for the fall, please also begin to pray about your involvement in our children's ministries. We will have openings this fall in our Sunday morning PreSchool rooms and in the nurseries. We also are recruiting for Awana leaders, Kindergarten Sunday School teachers and assistants and aides for children with special needs. If you would like to volunteer, contact Heather Ensslen for more information.

#### Medical Information and Permission Forms

Parents of children under 18 should complete a Medical Information and Permission Form for each of their children. Forms are available on the literature table. Please return the completed form to the church office no later than September 30.

Beginning Sunday, September 5, our 1st-6th grade Sunday School classes will begin to use *Rio*, a dynamic curriculum that encourages leaders and parents to lead kids from the overflow of their own spiritual growth.

*Rio* also helps kids to see that the Bible isn't just a collection of cool stories—it's a cohesive story of God's plan for them. The Big Bible Panorama, a 136-inch timeline, is an interactive resource that lets kids see how everything ties in to the bigger story of His purpose. Most importantly, *Rio* is about helping kids, leaders, and parents form deeper relationships with God and each other.

*Rio* provides a wide range of resources for parents. Join us on September 26 at 9:30 AM for an overview of these resources. You can also keep reading to learn about these resources and discover how to access them!

#### Family Cards

This six-sided card, designed to sit on any tabletop in the home,

comes packed with fun graphics and engaging language similar to the back of a cereal box. Kids and parents can use the card to start conversations connecting to faith. Each month's card centers on a unified theme of the curriculum so children across different age levels can talk with their families together about what matters most. Your child will receive one of these cards on the first Sunday of each month. To pick up additional cards, visit the bulletin board outside Room 9.

#### Family Currents

This monthly newsletter for parents encourages you in your own faith walk, talks you through tough topics your kids may be dealing with, and encourages you to live out your faith so abundantly that the overflow spills out onto your children. You can sign up to receive this monthly newsletter in your e-mail inbox by completing the form on the children's ministry website.

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Awana is a ministry for children age two through sixth grade. Each Awana night is filled with energy, fellowship, and spiritual growth. The evening is packed with games, Scripture memory, singing, and a Bible message. Awana is held on Wednesday evenings from 6:45-8:15 PM throughout the school year.

Our first official night of Awana is Wednesday, September 1. You can register your children for Awana on any Wednesday evening that Awana is held. There will be a registration table in the main lobby at the beginning of the evening. You can also download the registration form at [www.cmbcchildren.weebly.com/cmbc-awana.html](http://www.cmbcchildren.weebly.com/cmbc-awana.html).

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You can also download it from the website or pick up a printed copy at the bulletin board outside Room 9.

### Family Prompts

Family Prompts are tools to equip parents to do more than just see what each week's lesson covers. The prompts give families one simple question to begin the discussion of Scripture at home, whether before it's taught or after. There are Family Prompts available for each age group.

You can download this quarter's prompts from the children's ministry website or pick up a printed copy at the bulletin board outside Room 9.

### Tough Topics

As we study the rich, deep Word of God this year, your children may come home with some challenging questions. Each quarter, Tough Topics gives you an overview of the lessons that your child might have extra questions about, along with some hints and tips for addressing the Tough Topics with your child.

You can download the list of Tough Topics for each grade level from the children's ministry website.

### Rio Essentials

This robust website features loads of additional resources for both leaders and families so that nurturing a child's faith truly becomes a partnership between parents and the church. Visit [rio.davidccook.com](http://rio.davidccook.com) for more information.

You can access the online *Rio* resources at [www.cmbcchildren.weebly.com/rio.html](http://www.cmbcchildren.weebly.com/rio.html).



Join us for the Truckers' Jamboree on Saturday, September 11, 10 AM-4 PM. Families are encouraged to come see the trucks on display and take a tour of the Transport for Christ mobile chapel. There will be free hot dogs and drinks served from 12-2 PM. Kids will enjoy barrel train rides, a bounce house, and face-painting. Please

bring your own lawn chairs. Special music by Forgiven at 3:00 & 3:40 PM, and a special message at 3:20 PM by Chaplain Dennis O'Hare of Transport for Christ.

## September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Awana, 6:45 PM	2	3	4
5 Promotion Sunday	6	7	8 Awana, 6:45 PM	9	10	11 Trucker Jamboree
12	13	14	15 Awana, 6:45 PM	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Awana, 6:45 PM	23	24	25
26 Rio Parent Session, 9:30 AM	27	28	29 Awana, 6:45 PM	30		