Please Note: All Children's Ministry workers have undergone and obtained a "clear" background check.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What time is Sunday School and when can I drop my child off?

Berea's Sunday School ministry runs from 9:00-9:45 each Sunday morning. Children should be dropped off to their classroom no earlier than 8:55 AM to allow time for our teachers to be prepared for their arrival.

#### How does pick-up work after class?

In order to create the safest environment possible, we request that parents of children in 2nd grade and below, pick their child up directly from their classroom as close to 9:45 as possible. Children in grades 3 and up will be dismissed directly from their classrooms, unless other arrangements are made with your child's teacher.

#### What do I need for Sunday School?

All Sunday School participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles each week, regardless of age. Berea Bible Church encourages the use of the "New King James Version," as this matches the translation used during our morning worship service. The church does have Bibles available for use each Sunday morning. Youth group members and adults are encouraged to bring something to write with—all children will have supplies provided by the church.

#### Who do I contact if I have other questions?

Please feel free to contact Mark Gainer, Assistant Pastor at: markgainer@bereabiblechurch.org with any questions you may have.

#### Additional Weekly Opportunities

Junior Church (Ages 3-6): During Morning Worship Service Youth Group (Grades 7-12): Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM Small Groups: Location/Time Based on Group \*\*See website for schedule changes due to holidays/special events\*\*

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# Christian Education Ministry Guide Summer 2025

June 1, 2025 to August 31, 2025

#### Berea Family and Guests,

Berea Bible Church takes the Bible's call to disciple one another seriously. 2 Timothy 3:16 tells us, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness." With God's Word as the foundation for our educational programming, we desire to come alongside parents as they teach and train their children and challenge adults to grow more closely into the image of Christ. We encourage you to view this guide to gain a deeper understanding of our various Christian education ministries that we have at Berea. Our hope is that you and your family find these offerings to be engaging, challenging, and relevant for today's world.

Pastor Brian Miller Senior Pastor Mark Gainer Assistant Pastor

# Adult Sunday School

These multi-generational classes, allow adults in a variety of stages of life to come together weekly to study God's Word, and gain practical applications to use in their daily lives. Each quarter, Berea is pleased to offer "electives" which allow for adults to choose a course of most interest to them.

### **Summer Quarter Adult Elective Offerings:**

#### A Study of the Sermon on the Mount

Teacher: Pastor Mark Gainer

This 13-week class on the Sermon on the Mount, will explore Jesus' transformative teachings in Matthew 5–7 diving into themes of kingdom living, righteousness, and discipleship. Discover how these timeless principles challenge and inspire us to live faithfully in today's world. This sermon is as relevant today as it was back then! Participants will be encouraged to apply Jesus' teachings to their own lives in very practical ways throughout the course.

#### **Christian Life & Witness**

Teachers: Pastor Brian Miller and Pastor Tom Wolverton This course will work through "Christian Life & Witness," written by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. The study is designed to help Christians revitalize their own faith and share it with others. The hope is that this class will inspire you to deepen your personal faith and confidently share the Gospel. Explore practical ways to grow spiritually and impact others through this transformative study!

## Children's Sunday School

#### Nursery: Infant to 2 Years Old

Our workers are trained to provide a safe, loving, and secure environment for all children. We provide both a secure and sanitary nursery in order to allow parents to give their full attention toward worshiping and serving Berea.

#### Toddlers: 2 and 3 Year Olds

Teacher: Beth Kitchen

Our toddlers will learn that God created the world and everything in it. The children will be encouraged to thank God for making the world—and them!

#### Beginners: 4 and 5 Year Olds (Kindergarten)

Teacher: TBD

In their study of Joshua, our "Beginners" will be assured that God helps them to obey Him and that God will always answer their prayers. In their study of Judges, they will learn that God gives them courage to serve Him with all their hearts and for His glory.

#### Primary: 1st and 2nd Grade

Teacher: Jeannette Miller

From the book of Joshua, "Primaries" will learn that God rewards those who trust Him, that God will help them obey, and that God's power is amazing. In their study of Judges, they will learn that God uses people to do His will and that God is worthy of their sincere trust.

#### Middlers: 3rd and 4th Grade

Teacher: Ellen Williams

Third and fourth graders will continue to study the tabernacle in great detail throughout the Summer quarter. They will discover how it was constructed, why it was important, and how it was used by the Israelites in the Old Testament.

#### Juniors: 5th and 6th Grade

Teacher: Victoria Greenwood

"Junior" students will learn about serving God as they study Joshua and Judges. They will be challenged to serve God expectantly, powerfully, honestly, wisely, fearlessly, faithfully, confidently, courageously, cooperatively, selflessly, obediently, and exclusively. They will marvel at God's power and faithfulness and be motivated to serve Him.

#### Junior High/High School: Grades 7-12

Teacher: Justin Schlatmann

This quarter the teens will be studying the Book of Judges, focusing specifically on a character analysis of each of Israel's judges. Teens will explore how these judges led Israel, their adherence or lack of God's guidance, and how this foreshadows God's establishment of a nation for His people. The goal of this study is to learn from biblical leaders to understand the lessons they offer and examine how God used these leaders to instruct His people.