### **SEASONAL PROGRAMS**

Purpose: Evangelism

**Summer Day Camp/VBS** is our largest outreach event for children. Each summer, a day camp is held for at least 2 weeks.

The purposes of this camp are:
(a) outreach – to new children in our community and (b) providing a cost-effective Christian Day Camp for children.

Activities include: Music, Sports, Bible Stories, Crafts, Memorization and other fun activities.

Fees are kept at a minimum and funding provided for those who are unable to pay the registration cost.



**Christmas & Easter** - Children participate and lead in Christmas and Easter Programs. These special productions involve children of all ages and offer an opportunity to use a variety of talents.

### MINISTRY & SERVICE PROGRAMS

Purpose: Service

Recognizing that God has given us many gifted children as a part of our church community, we have begun working with children to develop and use their talents to perform regularly at church and serve others in the community.

Service opportunities vary each quarter.



# FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Purposes: Evangelism & Fellowship

At least once every quarter children, parents and teachers get together for a special event.

FUN! FOOD! FELLOWSHIP!
Is always on the agenda – whether it is a family breakfast, seasonal event or a party.

## LONDON FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

176 Wellington St. London, ON N6B 2L1

Website: <a href="http://www.londonnaz.ca">http://www.londonnaz.ca</a>

Phone: 519-434-6221

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES



# Touching Lives! Changing Hearts!

For Children Up to Age 12

# Welcome to CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES of London First Church of the Nazarene!

Children are important people at LFCN and we are committed to working with you and your child towards the goal of becoming Spirit-filled disciples of Christ.

\*\*\*\*\*\*

**Our Vision** for children's ministry at London First Church of the Nazarene is to <u>partner</u> with parents in cultivating personal spiritual growth in children.

**Our Mission** is to provide the best possible instruction, care, guidance and modelling of the Word of God for children, parents and their leaders.

- The Word of God is our Curriculum
- Nazarene Publishing House and other evangelical printed materials, resources, budgets and programs are our resources, and . . .
- Adult and Teen Volunteers are our living examples demonstrating the love of God and holy lives to children.

**Our Philosophy** is that each child is a child of God; therefore, they are to be *loved*, *valued*, *and nurtured* in their faith as they become committed disciples of Jesus Christ.

As part of attempt to live out our 5 Biblical Purposes for The Church, all of children's ministries programs are intended to meet at least one of the following biblical purposes: Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Ministry or Evangelism.

### SUNDAY MORNINGS at LFCN 11:00 A.M.

Purposes: Discipleship & Ministry

Early Childhood & Grade School Ministries
All children join in the first 15 minutes of our
Morning Worship Service then go to various
graded ministries.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Nursery Ministries - Ages 2 and younger We believe that children of this age learn more about Jesus through the love and care they experience from trusted adults.

A group of screened and trained volunteers will love and teach your child in the name of Jesus. Children learn simple truths primarily through play and music.

### **PreK-Kindergarten** - Ages 3 - 5

For this age our priority is for the young child to enjoy learning about God and His Bible. By the time a child is five years old, he/she will have learned the basic stories of creation, the Old Testament, and life of Christ.

Grade School Ministries - Grades 1 - 7 Our goal for these children is to offer a program that is both spiritually challenging and enjoyable. By the sixth grade children will have reviewed the major stories and themes of the Bible at least 4 times.



### **MISSIONS**

At the end of every cycle in our curriculum, children will participate in our MISSIONS ADVENTURES program. Using fun, interactive activities, children learn what God is doing around the world, especially in Nazarene missions.



### FREE RESOURCES For Children

### **Reading & Listening Resources**

- Missionary Reading Books tell stories of what God is doing around the world
- Select children's DVDs are available for short-term loan
- Gently used, age-appropriate Bibles are available for various ages. Just ask!