

Family Friendly Home Church

Purpose

Home church is not just another program that we offer. Rather, we see it as church in its purest form; the place where we can live out all that God intended us to experience as his people. It is in home church that we turn our chairs inward to face one another, where we build relationships, know each other on a deeper level, and experience the ups and downs of life in community.

Home church is a safe place where people are...

- Free to explore and investigate the person of Jesus and are supported in their discipleship journey
- Constantly asking the question "What's my next step?" which results in consistent spiritual growth
- Willing to give their time, resources and skills to support the growth of others within their home church, their community, and around the world
- Intentional in identifying and seeking out other disciples who are able to support and challenge them in their own next steps of discipleship
- Intentional to "go and make disciples," by sharing the good news message of the gospel

What makes family friendly home church different?

A family friendly home church is one that offers adults and children the same opportunities as a standard home church. This introduces many variables into the mix, which means that each home church will look slightly different. Each version of family friendly home church will have benefits and challenges; meaning there are multiple ways to organize it, depending on the desired outcomes for the group. See "Sample Models" document for ideas.

Family friendly home church is a safe place where...

- All the benefits of a standard home church are achieved
- Adults and children have an opportunity to learn from each other in their discipleship journeys
- Adults can model the practices of the Christian faith and personally invest in the lives of children; in turn, adults can also learn so much from children
- Families can experience and create memories of doing church together