



Kingdom Rock 2013: Family VBA Q&A

We are looking forward to another Family VBA this summer. Since this only our 2nd one, we thought we would refresh your memory on what Family VBA will look like. If your questions aren't addressed below, please feel free to contact us. We're so excited for all that God is going to do this summer!

Pastors Jeremy & Amy Scott

Why did we switch from a morning program to an evening program?

We've been processing what it means to be a church that really empowers parents to be the spiritual leaders of their families. We have come to the conclusion that parent involvement with VBA would be a great environment for parents to lead their children with the church facilitating the activities. Since most parents (either one or both) work during the day, the best time to get the whole family together would be the evening.

What does *Family VBA* mean?

This is a radical shift in how VBA has been done in the past, but it's one that we are very excited about. When we say family, we mean family. For this new format to work, we are requesting that children attend with a family unit. For parents who are unable to take their children personally, another family will need to be contacted to provide the family experience for that child. The hope is that through family connections, all children interested in attending will have a family unit to attend with. The overall goal is to promote family.

What does the new format look like?

At 5:00pm, we will offer an optional meal to families who would like to avoid the hassle of trying to get the family fed, out the door and to the church by 6:00pm. The cost will be \$2.50 a person with a family cap at \$15.00 per meal. At 6:00pm, we will all meet in the Fireside Room for a time of worship and an introduction into our daily theme. After our time together, we will break up into different groups to head off to exciting rotations (Epic Bible Adventures, Chadder's Royal Theatre, The King's Kitchen and Imagination Station). After the rotations, we'll head back to the Fireside Room for a short recap of the evening and then dismiss by 7:45pm.

We will start VBA on Sunday evening and run through Wednesday evening. Starting on Sunday allows VBA to kick-off without parents having to rush home from work. Sunday through Tuesday will start at 6:00pm and Wednesday we will begin at 7:00pm (just as Wednesday service would regularly begin). We'll all be together on Wednesday for a grand finale. We'll highlight all the good things we've learned and the fun times we've had at Kingdom Rock. We'll end with a sweet treat!

Do I need any special training to help at VBA?

No! Our main focus is to make VBA family friendly. This means any adult can easily lead a family group with no special training required. Each station will have leaders to assist families. All materials and instructions will be provided so families can just show up and have a good time together. If you have additional questions about what to expect at Family VBA, please talk with Pastors Jeremy & Amy. We want you to be confident parents going into VBA and beyond.

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How do we register?

See the form on the next page of the packet. Please list all of the students who will be attending with your family as well as the adults. All students will need to fill out the medical release form. All registrations must be turned into the church no later than Wednesday, July 10th.

What is the cost?

The cost of VBA this year will be based on the number of kids. The cost per child will be \$10 with a family cap at \$30. The cost of VBA includes all the supplies for our rotations (crafts, food, supplies, etc.).

When is it?

Sunday, July 14th through Wednesday, July 17th

Can my student attend if they are younger than 3 or older than incoming 6th grade?

Yes. This is truly meant to be a family experience so younger or older students are invited to join in the fun. For the younger ages (birth-2) the nursery staff will be available if that would be a better fit during activities. Older students (middle school and high school) are encouraged to attend Fusion's summer camp which will be running the same week. The summer camp students will be helping with VBA, so your older student would still be able to do both.

Can I help if I don't have a family to attend with?

Yes. There are many ways to help with Kingdom Rock.

One way would be helping to decorate the building (times and dates will be listed in the program and on the website for decorating). A big part of VBA is transforming our building so the theme can come alive. We need many hands to make Kingdom Rock come to life at Bethel Church. Both individuals and families are invited to get in on the decorating fun!

Another way to get involved would be to help at a station. The families will rotate between stations and we'll need volunteers at each station to get the activities started. Station leaders will have a front row seat to how Family VBA works. In years past, they would be responsible for leading the entire station, but now they get to help parents as they lead their children. (No special skills or expertise will be needed – stations leaders will be hands on with the kids and the parents just enjoying the environment and facilitating the activity).

Will music CDs be for sale?

Yes. Every year we hear rave reviews about the music CDs. We look forward to sharing the music of Kingdom Rock with your family during our gatherings. If you purchase a music CD, you can have the music follow you home and into your cars. These CDs are a great way for kids to express themselves in worship and experience a positive influence through the message. The cost is \$10 for a CD.



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