

Introduction to Children's Ministry

Parish Training Day

August 2012

Introduce yourself

Expectations

Children's
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Children's Ministry:
working with kids' hearts

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working with kids' minds

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working with tomorrow's
church

Children's Ministry:
Some things that work

Children's Ministry:
working with kids' hearts

Made in God's image: love

Little sisters and brothers in Christ

Shy & sensitive: kindness & care

Relational: need to be included and listened to

Impressionable: need role models
(including males!)

Trusting: protect

Works in progress: Fruit of the Spirit



**Children's Ministry:
working with kids' minds**

Concrete, Visual & Kinaesthetic

Repetition

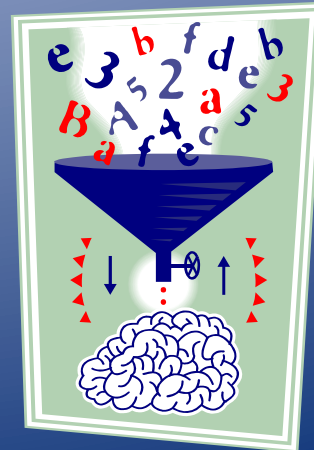
Dynamic learning

Short attention span

Perceptive: engage senses

Intelligent: don't underestimate

They are what they are: engage
with them at their level –
physically, linguistically, culturally



THERE! THAT OUGHT TO
DISPEL THE MYTH THAT WE'RE
AN ELDERLY CONGREGATION
THAT DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO
REACH OUT TO YOUNG PEOPLE.



Children's Ministry:
working with tomorrow's
church

High impact ministry

Building Community

BE parents and grandparents

It's not a chore!



Children's Ministry:
Some things that work

Storytelling (but do it well!)

Music



Jesus said I am the way
Ooh-cha ooh-cha ooh-cha-cha!

Jesus said I am the truth
Ooh-cha ooh-cha ooh-cha-cha!

Jesus said I am the life
Ooh-cha ooh-cha ooh-cha-cha!

Jesus is the life **cha cha!**
Jesus is truth **cha cha!**
Jesus is the way **cha cha!**
Eh-oh, Eh-oh, John 14:6
Cha-cha!!!

**Children's Ministry:
Some things that work**

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Puppets

Craft

Technology

The 'magic' of childhood

Play to your strengths



Thanks for coming

Questions

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