THINGS PARENTS NEED TO KNOW FOR AWANA 2016-2017

IMPORTANT NOTES

Parents, please note that theme nights are marked on the calendar with a description on the back of the calendar. "Regular Club" means no theme or special focus for that night.

<u>All clubbers</u> need to wear tennis shoes to AWANA. This makes game time on the AWANA mat much easier for everyone.

Awana Clubs begin at 6:40pm. You may sign-in beginning at 6:30pm.

CUBBIES V.I.P. NIGHT

If you have a child attending Cubbies this year, whether new to the program or second year, plan on attending this one evening with your Cubbie. This special night is planned for the FIRST Wednesday night, September 7, 2016, at 6:40pm.

PARKING

PLEASE park in marked parking spots ONLY. There is NO PARKING in front of the A, B or G doors – these are moving drop-off areas only - please approach the building with your passenger doors next to the curb, allowing passengers to exit safely. If parking, Doors D (north side/Annex) and G (west side/rear) are the best to use for all AWANA clubbers. There are plenty of marked parking spaces on the Littlejohn side and at the back of the building. Your cooperation is appreciated, and will help with traffic flow and safety for all the kids.

WORKBOOKS, BAGS, & ETC.

While Grace provides our equipment, facilities, occasional treats, all awards and club supplies, each Clubber is asked to pay (at cost only) for their workbooks, vests or t-shirts, and book bags. Each clubber is also asked to bring 25¢ weekly dues (to help instill a sense of responsibility and ownership).

In order for us to "stay in the black," and eliminate a lot of bookkeeping issues, <u>we ask that payment be made BEFORE these materials are given to your child(ren)</u>. If you have any questions, please see your child's club secretary.

Also, there are other items available at the **AWANA website** (www.awana.org) that you may wish to order, such as toys, clothing, or music CD's that could help your child in learning their Bible verses. There are also Parent Handbooks (Bible Studies) that go along with your child's handbook.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

This policy at Grace requires that anyone working with minors (ages 0 - 18 years of age) go through an in-depth application process, background check, and training. No issues precipitated this, but we want to be faithful, careful stewards and protectors of the children God has entrusted to us. As a result, every AWANA worker has been through this process.

DROP OFF/PICK UP

Both of these times can be very chaotic at Grace! The biggest problem we have is at the end of clubs, making sure that each child is with the adult responsible for them.

ALL clubbers will sign **IN AND OUT** in their respective areas. At dismissal, <u>no child will be</u> released until signed out by a parent/designated responsible adult.

<u>Please be prompt in picking up your children at 8:15pm</u>. Our workers in every age group also have children that they must go sign out.

Again, <u>please park in a marked parking space</u> when coming into the building to retrieve your child.

<u>WEDNESDAY NIGHTS</u> FOR PARENTS OF AWANA CLUBBERS & OTHER ADULTS

6:45pm Ladies Bible Study in the Café
6:45pm Men's Study in the Man Cave (25 Littlejohn Rd)
7:00pm Prayer Group in Room 201 (meets year-round)

Childcare is provided for those families who are working in AWANA, as well as those <u>attending</u> a Bible Study or Prayer Group.