

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS GUIDE



**Fall 2014**

September  
through  
November

**Sunday School Classes**  
**Family Night Services**  
**Small Groups**

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2014  
FALL QUARTER

Classes begin Sunday,  
September 7, 2014

For your convenience, our classes are also listed  
on our website at [www.1stassembly.org](http://www.1stassembly.org)  
under Ministries/Christian Education.

# Sunday School

## Classes

Sunday Mornings

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Children (Birth to Kindergarten)

### **Masterpiece Nursery (Children - Birth to 3 years of age)**

The Nursery ministers to our youngest children, ages birth to 3 years old, on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. We believe that each child is an entrusted treasure, a Masterpiece - made by God, made without mistake, made to be great! Our volunteers serve with the goal of helping each child experience God through loving care in a positive, nurturing and safe environment. In a fun-filled atmosphere, older children are also encouraged to learn about the Bible. Each child in every class is prayed over with the confidence that God has a good plan for each life and a desire to see each child established in that plan from an early age.

Nursery rooms are located on the first floor. At check-in on Sunday mornings, each child is given an identification card/number. If a child needs parental assistance during service, nursery workers will notify parents through the pager system.

### **Masterpiece Nursery (Little Links - Ages 4 & 5, Kindergarten)**

#### **Unit 1: Joseph and Joshua Love God**

These stories are about how Joseph saved his family, Rahab risked her life, and Joshua led Israel into the Promised Land.

#### **Unit 2: People Who Loved Jesus**

Peter, Matthew, the Samaritan woman, and Zacchaeus show how Jesus helped people.

#### **Unit 3: David Loves God**

Through the faith of his great-grandmother Ruth and stories about being a shepherd, being anointed king, and defeating Goliath, David shows kids how to love God like he did.

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Children (1st to 4th Grades)

## Primary (1st & 2nd Grades)

### **Unit 1: In the Beginning**

Kids will discover that God not only created everything, but that he also loved Adam and Eve even after they sinned.

### **Unit 2: A New Beginning**

After learning about faithfulness through stories about Noah's ark, kids will find out about Babel, the first city built after the Flood.

### **Unit 3: Abraham and His Family**

Through Abraham, Lot, and Isaac, kids will explore faith, the danger of selfishness, and God's provision.

## Middler (3rd & 4th Grades)

### **Unit 1: Jesus Heals**

Because Jesus healed others, kids will discover He still has the power to heal today.

### **Unit 2: God Is Our Source**

Through Esther, Jeremiah, and others, kids will discover that following God, the Source, helps to bring them guidance, courage, faith, wisdom, and love.

### **Unit 3: Gratitude**

Kids will see the relationship of receiving gifts and experiencing God's love for them. They will learn about Jehoshaphat and others who were grateful.

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Children / Youth (5th to 8th Grades)

### Pre-Teen (5th & 6th Grades)

#### **Unit 1: God the Father**

Students will explore the nature of God: how He is true to His Word, keeps His promises, and provides a way for us to be in His family forever.

#### **Unit 2: Being a Witness**

Kids will understand that what believers say and do can be a witness for or against Christ.

#### **Unit 3: Our Bible and Books of Law**

This unit focuses on the Bible's inspired writers, its significance, and its truths. The unit covers the first five books of the Bible.

### Middle School (7th & 8th Grades)

#### **Unit 1: Making the Grade**

Students will discover how to make the most of everyday learning opportunities as they strive to be on God's honor roll.

#### **Unit 2: Reach Out**

Students will be challenged to reach out to others by telling their stories and clearly communicating Christ's message.

#### **Unit 3: Costly Conversations**

Through Hannah's prayer and by contrasting Samuel and Saul, students will see the blessing of obeying God's voice and the curses of pride.

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Youth (9th to 12th Grades)

## High School (9th to 12th Grades)

### **Unit 1: Paul and Barnabas: Men on a Mission**

Teens will examine the topics of salvation, God's call, and life in God's family through studying Paul and Barnabas.

### **Unit 2: Revival**

Consider the church's need for revival, how to prepare for it, how to recognize it, and how to sustain the vitality it brings.

### **Unit 3: Disarming the Devil: Spiritual Warfare**

Through biblical study of spiritual warfare, you will enable teens to identify and respond to spiritual allies and enemies.



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Adult (Room 201 & 202)

**Class:** Building a Synthesized Gospel

**Location:** Room 201

**Teacher(s):** Charlie Williamson

**Open to:** All

**Class Goal/Vision:**

Have you ever wondered what picture Jesus' life and words would paint if all four books of the Gospels were combined into one? Join a team of believers as we take a structured, analytical approach to combining the Gospels into a single narrative without losing a single word while respecting God's reasons for giving us four books.

**Class:** New Life Class

**Location:** Room 202

**Teacher(s):** Harry Tarut

**Open to:** Adults, Ages 55+

**Class Goal/Vision:**

**Unit 1: Great Stories of the Bible**

Your students will explore some of the great stories of biblical characters like Joseph, Abigail, and John the Baptist. Their stories will challenge students to live for God and serve Him.

**Unit 2: Parables of Jesus: Stories Jesus Told**

Jesus told stories about everyday things to communicate spiritual truths. Students will learn more about what it means to live as citizens of God's kingdom through these studies.

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9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Adult-Spanish (Room 203)

**Class:** Alabanza y Adoración / Praise and Worship

**Location:** Room 203

**Teacher(s):** Stella Lowery

**Open to:** All Spanish Speaking Members

En este estudio descubrirás las bases bíblicas de la Alabanza y la Adoración para poder adorar a Dios como Él está buscando que lo hagan. Podrás encontrar los siguientes temas y muchos más:

- \* Significados de Alabanza y Adoración
- \* Cómo manifestar la Alabanza y la Adoración
- \* Por qué Adorar al Señor
- \* Cómo convertirme en un Adorador
- \* El alcance de la presencia de Dios en la Alabanza y Adoración
- \* Importancia de Adorar en comunión
- \* El efecto que tiene la Adoración en el interior del creyente

Todo el contenido de este libro está basado en la Biblia. Y el propósito del mismo es llevar a los lectores a un nivel de relación con Dios más profundo a través de la Alabanza y la sincera Adoración.

In this study you will discover the biblical foundations of Praise and Worship and you will learn to worship God as Our Father seeks for us to worship Him! You can find the following topics and more:

- \* Meaning of Praise and Worship
- \* How to express Praise and Worship
- \* Why to Worship the Lord
- \* How to become a Worshiper
- \* How to reach deeper into the presences of God by Praise and Worship
- \* Importance of Worship in communion with God
- \* The effects caused by Worship and Praise in the life of the believer.

The content of this book is based on the Bible. The purpose is to teach readers at a deeper level and how to maintain deeper relationships with God through Praise and sincere Worship.

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Adult (Rooms 204 & 206)

**Class:** The Holy Spirit

**Location:** Room 204

**Teacher(s):** Donna Hume

**Open to:** All

Class Goal / Vision:

In this interactive study you are invited into a personal discovery of the most ignored and misunderstood Person in the Church - The Holy Spirit. In this study, the class will cover topics such as: Who is the Holy Spirit, the personality of the Holy Spirit, the levels of relationships, empowerment by the Spirit and the Spirit's language.

**Class:** Biblical Principles and Spiritual Foundation

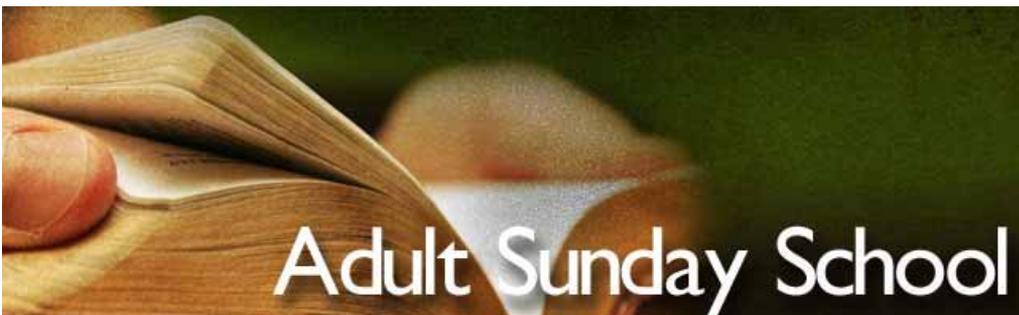
**Location:** Room 206

**Teacher(s):** Elizabeth Russell /Aner Blandon/ Socorro Acosta

**Open to:** All

Class Goal / Vision:

Come and be part of this spiritually profound and interactive class where you'll learn about various fundamental Biblical principles which will help you develop a deeper understanding of God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit; increase your understanding of who you are in Christ; increase your spiritual maturity; and understand your role as members of the Body of Christ.



# Morning Worship Services

Sunday Mornings  
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

All Ages (Reeves Hall, Common Grounds Café & Sanctuary)

## Masterpiece Kid's Church Children (Grades 1st to 5th)

Masterpiece Kid's Church: Children in 1st to 5th grade have their own worship services in Reeves Hall from 10:30 AM - 12:15 PM. In a high-energy and age-appropriate service, children learn Biblical truths that can be applied to young lives through puppets, drama, videos, games and the teaching of God's Word.

## JV One Life Service Youth (Grades 6th to 8th)

JV OneLife Service: Students in 6th to 8th grade meet in the Sanctuary for worship and then attend the JV OneLife Service in the Common Grounds Café for Middle School/Junior High students. Messages and topics are geared toward addressing the unique needs of pre-teen and younger teen students.

## Sunday Morning Worship Everyone

Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary for a time of worship, preaching and fellowship. The service is open to everyone. On the first Sunday of each month we celebrate Communion. Come and experience God's presence in a family atmosphere at First Assembly.

# Family Night

## Services

Wednesday Evenings

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Children & Youth (3rd Floor & Reeves Hall)

### **Live Out Loud (LOL) Children (3 years to 6th grade)**

Our purpose is to evangelize, disciple, teach, train, & provide opportunities for children to serve God now. You do not have to attend First Assembly to join this fun and exciting program.

The Gospel Project is a three year, Christ-centered Bible study resource that follows a chronological timeline of Bible events to present the story of redemption through Jesus like kids have never seen it before! Each week, these stories are coming to life through video, music, activities, and more.

### **OneLife Student Ministries Students (7th to 12th Grade)**

OneLife is geared towards teens in High School to encourage them to meet and connect with God among their peers. Services include worship, sermon and Life Groups, which are grade specific groups designed to help teens engage the Word and gain a deeper understanding of it. OneLife meets in Reeves Hall.



# Family Night Services

Wednesday Evenings  
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Adults (Common Grounds Café)

**Class:** Adult Bible Study

**Location:** Common Grounds Café

**Teacher(s):** Ayodele Okeowo & Pastor Billy Martin

**Open to:** All Adults

**Class Goal / Vision:**

Come each week to receive edification and encouragement as we explore and study how God wants to connect and relate to us on a personal level.

**Class:** Financial Peace University

**Location:** Room 207

**Teacher(s):** Jim Kanala and other FPU Graduates

**Open to:** All Adults (Pre-registration is required)

**Class Goal / Vision:**

FPU is practical, entertaining and fun. You'll enjoy videos with Dave Ramsey, based on more than 800 verses of Scripture, that have a proven plan that will work for you. In 9 action-packed lessons, you'll learn how to beat debt, build wealth, invest for the future, give like never before, and much more!



# Small Groups



WHY join a small group? Small Groups exist to inspire growth to maturity in Jesus Christ. Hebrews 10:24-25

WHAT happens at Small Group meetings? Groups spend time building relationships while they study God's Word together. Acts 2:42-47.

HOW is Small Group ministry different from other Bible Studies? Along with studying God's Word, Small Group members commit to care for and support each other. Galatians 6:2; 1Thessalonians 5:11.

WHEN & WHERE can I get connected to a Small Group? Call the Church Office for information, (703)548-0339, or visit our website: [1stassembly.org](http://1stassembly.org).



# Small Groups



## Marriage Small Groups

Alexandria Location  
Every other Monday  
Time: 6:00 PM  
Topic: Building the Foundation for a Godly Marriage  
Home of Jared & Cassie Edgreen  
Email: edgreenc@gmail.com

Bush Hill Location  
1st or 2nd Friday of each month  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Topic: Her needs, His Needs  
Home of Pastor Chris & Megan Cregger  
Email: pastorchris@1stassembly.org

Rose Hill Location  
1st Friday of each month  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Topic: Growing a Stronger Marriage by John and Stasi Eldredge  
Home of Gerardo & Rosa Munevar  
Email: munevar88@gmail.com

## Singles' Small Groups

Fairfax Location  
Every Monday  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Topic: Varies  
Home of Dottie Glading  
Email:  
singlesministry@1stassembly.org

## Men's Small Groups

Alexandria Location  
Thursdays  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Starting September 18th  
Home of Julian & Laura Bermudez  
Email: jbermudez@comcast.net

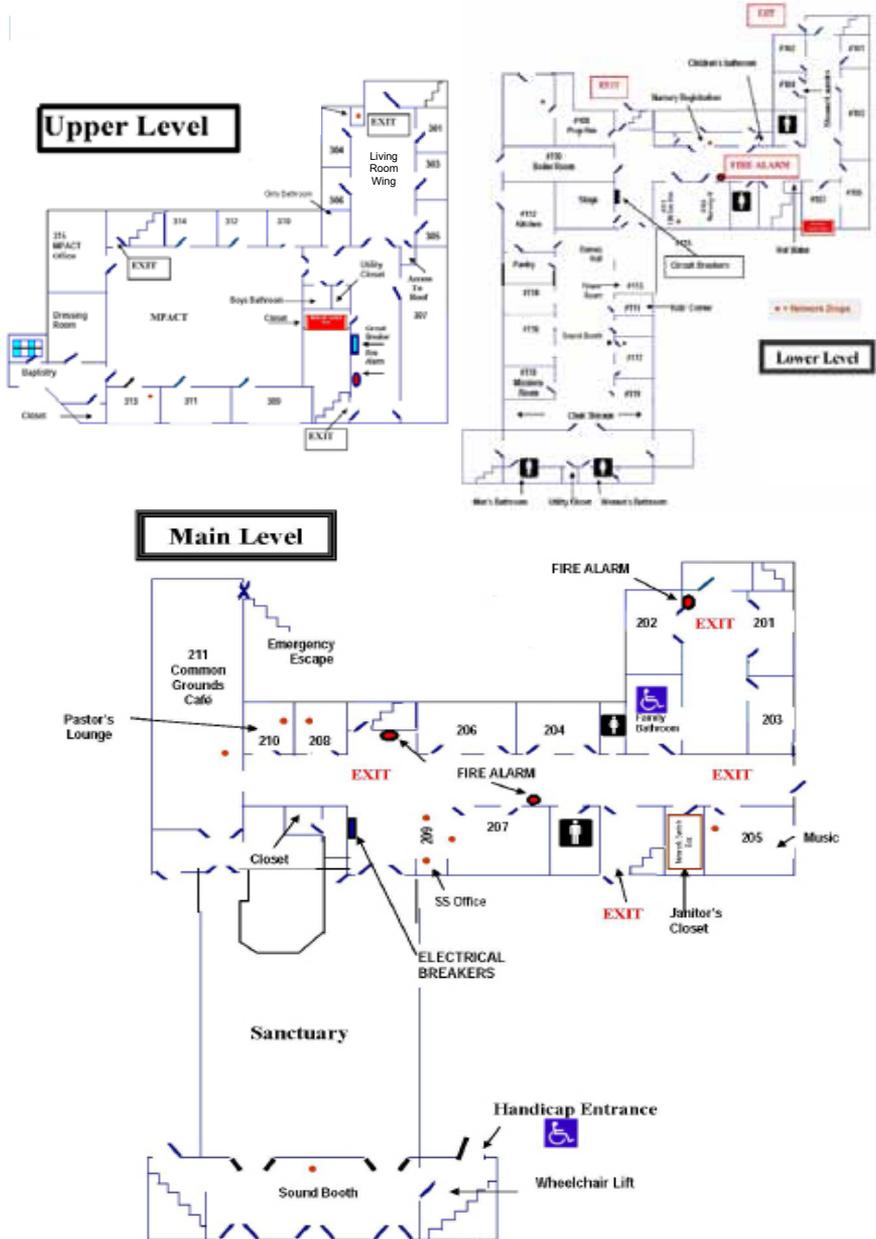
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1st & 3rd Monday of each month  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Topic: How to reach your full potential for God by Charles Stanley  
Home of Ted Sloper  
Email: tedgramps@verizon.net

## Women's Small Groups

Alexandria Location  
Every Other Tuesday  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Topic: The Circle Maker, by Mark Batterson  
First Assembly, Room 207  
Email: Becky@1stassembly.org

Alexandria Location  
Every Wednesday  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Topic: Building a Foundation for Healing  
First Assembly, Room 206  
Email:  
Stacyluvsjesus@hotmail.com

# Floor Plans





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