



Joy Nook / Toddler Nook

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What is the Joy Nook?

- A space for parents with young infants and children to worship together during the 8.30am and 10.30am English Services
- Joy nook for 0-1yo
 - Comfortable breastfeeding room provided for nursing mums
 - Clean mattresses provided for infants to lie on as needed
- Toddler nook for 1-4yo
 - Tables and benches provided for young children to sit and doodle



Purpose of Joy Nook

Worship

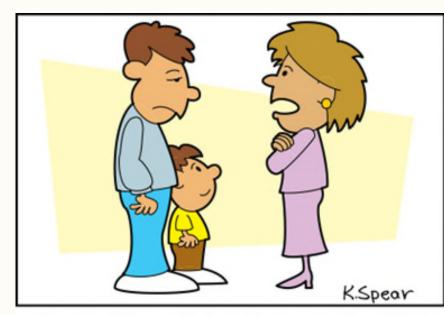
Allow parents to participate in congregational worship while tending to their children.

Role modeling

- Allow parents to model to their children how to worship with the congregation.
- Teach our children to show reverence in the house of God.



- Cultivate a habit at home
- Worship with the children
- Set the expectations right
- Pray with the children



"Your son did great, Mr. Jones. On the other hand, YOU need to pay attention in family worship."



Cultivate a habit at home

- Explain to our children we come to church to worship God
- Worship with them at home through family devotion, prayer and worship, at mealtime, bedtime
- Show our children that Sunday is an extension of what we do at home



Worship with the children

- Let our children mimic us
- Repeat to them short sentences or phrases spoken by pastor or leader
- Allow some form of play eg. doodling the sermon, dancing during praise
- Talk about the message or songs during Sunday lunch or before Sunday ends



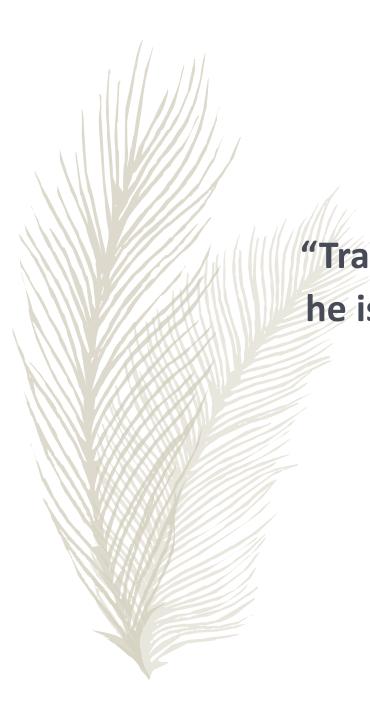
Set the expectations right

- Time in Joy Nook is to worship God with Daddy and Mummy
- Sunday worship is an extension of what we do at home
- Follow what Daddy and Mummy do
- Refrain from noisy play or running around in Joy Nook



Pray with the children

- Take time to pray blessings over our children at the end of service
- Pray consistently for our children to be ministered by the songs and the sermon



"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he shall not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

