

TEENS

SONS AND DAUGHTERS

Everyone is loved and accepted just as they are at Teen Church. We share passionately about the unconditional love of our heavenly Father and teach about the saving power of Jesus Christ. We believe that God loves and understands teenagers, and through His love and grace, He is able to touch and radically transform their lives.

We want all our teens to experience the real, tangible love of our heavenly Father. We want all our teens to know their value and just how special and precious they are. We believe that revealing Jesus and all that He accomplished on the cross for us will establish our teens in their identity as sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, causing them to stand out in the world. It is encountering the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that will make our teens unashamed of the cross.

If we want to see our teens rooted in love and established in grace, they need a sense of acceptance, belonging and affirmation. It is through grace parenting and being planted in Teen Church that our teens will flourish and go on to be successful.

Pastor Justin Felix

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A TESTIMONY BY LOGAN HARPER

I grew up as a child without any sense of acceptance and belonging. My dad and mom never married and so I never really knew what it was like to have a family. As I started my teen years, I struggled with rejection and I started to search for love in all the wrong places. I was broken, lost and rebellious.

Close to my fourteenth birthday, my aunty Robynne introduced me to her cousin, Apostle Craig. He invited me to Teen Church and started to share the love of our heavenly Father with me and told me that God has a great plan for my life. Soon afterward, I moved in with Pastor Sam who welcomed me into her home and life.

My life slowly started to change as my picture of God changed. I started seeing God as my loving, heavenly Father and not as a judge who wanted to condemn me for everything that I had done wrong. I started believing that I am God's beloved daughter in whom He is well pleased and that Jesus took all my sin, guilt and shame when He died on the cross. These truths started healing me from my rejection and pain. I am so thankful to Pastor Justin and Demi for preaching the gospel of grace to me.

Pastor Sam serves me, guides me and graciously corrects me and this has shown me how valuable I am to my Abba Father. I no longer need to dress a certain way and wear lots of make-up to feel beautiful. I now know that God loves me. God has also blessed me with an amazing spiritual father in Apostle Craig.

The gospel is real. Jesus is real. Being planted in the church has given me an amazing spiritual family. This is all God's unmerited favour towards me. This is forever!



Young & STRONG

by Demi Poleman

God has been so good to me. When I was ten years old, my family and I joined TheROCK Church at the beginning when it was planted. Even though I was just a child then, I felt drawn to God's people and the ministry of the church. I was excited about going to church and did not want to miss out on anything.

It was first at Rockkidz Church that I heard all about God being my heavenly Father who loves me unconditionally. It was then that I learnt about Jesus my Saviour in many amazing ways such as Christ-centered teachings, praise and worship, drama illustrations, fun crafts, and games. Rockkidz Church gave me a foundation.

As I went into my teen years and began high school, I started dealing with normal teenage struggles. Teen Church helped me through all of this where I was continuously persuaded that I am my heavenly Father's beloved daughter in whom He is well pleased. Whether I failed the math test oraced it, whether I participated in destructive habits or chose to say no, I started to believe that nothing I do or do not do will be able to separate me from

the love of God in Christ Jesus. As a teenager, having a life group leader who cared for me and championed me by constantly reminding me of my unchanging identity in Christ really helped me and made me strong.

I am now a young adult who is planted in the house of God and who believes that it is by receiving the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness that I will reign in this life. I still have struggles and I still fail at times, but with Christ as my solid foundation and righteous identity, I am young and strong in the grace of the Lord.

It is really all by God's grace that at the age of 20, I serve on Apostle Craig's church leadership. How awesome is it that I get to be a leader in the Teen Church where I get to freely give what I have freely received. God has shown me so much of His unmerited favour through my God-appointed leadership and my kingdom friendships. Thank you Apostle Craig for my life-saving home, TheROCK Church. I am enjoying a life beyond my wildest dreams and it is all because of Jesus!

