



Congratulations! Thank you for your interest in the Faith Promise Kids Hope USA program! You are about to embark on a powerful journey, investing in the life of a child. What a privilege we have to be “Jesus with skin on” to these children in need. The following information will give you a breakdown of the process for becoming involved with Kids Hope USA at Faith Promise Church.

The Need: Kids Hope USA develops these one-on-one relationships with at-risk kids in supportive, mentoring relationships.

- Kids Hope USA **mentors** spend just one hour per week, reading, talking, playing and listening to a child at school. By helping the child feel loved and valued, they help that child to learn, grow and succeed. You can change the life of a child through mentoring for ONE hour a week.
- **Prayer partners** pray for and support their mentor, child, the school, the program, and our church.
- **Small groups** can adopt the classroom in which we have mentor relationships or the school to support needs and service opportunities that arise in the school.

The Place:

- Pellissippi campus supports Beaumont Magnet Elementary
- North campus supports Norwood Elementary
- Blount campus supports John Sevier elementary.

The Process:

Paperwork: Please contact Lisa Cole to receive an information packet. It can be returned to the Mission Spot in your FPC lobby or via mail (a stamped envelope is included with the packet). There are different packets for mentors, prayer partners, and small groups.

Background Check: We require a background check for all mentors. For North and Blount, we provide our own background check; similar to if you were to volunteer in the students or kids area. Pellissippi volunteers will also have a background check through Big Brothers Big Sisters. We WILL contact all of your references.

Interview: When all of your paperwork is complete, an interview will be scheduled with me for all mentors. A separate contact will be for prayer partners. At the Pell campus, the Big Brothers Big Sisters Rep for Beaumont Elementary will also conduct an interview.

Training: All mentors must attend training at Faith Promise Church. There is a 4 hour hands-on training twice a year at the Pell campus OR a series of video trainings that can be emailed to you and viewed at home. An hour training individual training session will be included with the video trainings.

I look forward to partnering with you on this exciting journey. Thank you for your commitment to changing the life of a child, ONE hour at a time. Please contact me if you have any further questions or would like a packet of information to become a mentor, prayer partner, or small group partner.

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