

SURFACE TO SOUL

Live Well | Lead Well | Coach Well

Inviting and Equipping Faith Mentors

STEP 1 | Describe the difference you wish this person to make in the personal and spiritual life of a child.

STEP 2 | List the qualities a faith parent should possess to be successful in this role.

STEP 3 | List at least 10 potential candidates and evaluate them based on learnings from steps 1 and 2.

STEP 4 | Write a brief ministry description describing the roles and expectations related to this position.

STEP 5 | Ask the appropriate parties to serve in this role. Provide them with your ministry description.

STEP 6 | Allow time for the person(s) to review the ministry description and pray about the opportunity.

SAMPLE INVITATION SCRIPT

Thank you for your willingness to consider being a faith shaping influence in _____'s life. We hope to surround _____ with at least ____ caring adults who bring out God's best in _____ as he/she follows in the way of Jesus.

AS A FAITH PARENT, I/WE ASK YOU TO MODEL A VIBRANT FAITH BY...

- Engaging in daily prayer, weekly worship, and reading and reflecting on the Bible.
- Living a life of service by continuously discovering, developing, and deploying your gifts in service to others.
- Being open to where God may be leading you in life and ministry.

AS A FAITH PARENT FOR _____, WE INVITE YOU TO ...

- Be present at _____'s Baptism, First Bible, First Communion, Confirmation, and Graduation Celebrations.
- Be present at _____'s birthday and baptismal birthday celebrations.
- Befriend, pray for, and encourage _____ on a regular basis.
- Maintain monthly contact with _____ via phone, cards, or visits.
- Share your life and faith stories, along with how you practice and live out your faith.
- Pray with _____ and read Bible stories together when appropriate.
- Affirm the gifts and strengths that you observe in _____.
- Complete a "Hopes & Prayers" form at the time of _____'s confirmation.
- Continue to walk alongside _____ throughout their life and faith journey.

TO SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR ROLE AS A FAITH PARENT, I/WE WILL...

- Keep you informed of the activities, milestones, and special moments occurring in _____'s life.
- Invite you to birthdays, baptismal birthdays, and other milestones celebrations that occur in _____'s life.
- Provide you with resources and gifts that support your spiritual growth role as a faith parent to _____.
- Pray for you and your family on a regular basis and inform you of faith formation training events and resources.
- Send you pictures and notes from _____ on a regular basis.



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