

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF MT. YONAH'S MINISTER TO CHILDREN

The Minister to Children will develop and lead the Children's and Preschool Ministries of Mt. Yonah Baptist Church.

The Minister to Children is responsible for the church's ministry to children from birth through sixth grade and to their families.

The primary objectives are to connect children to Jesus through the children's ministries, grow them into His disciples and help them serve like Him. The Minister to Children also will resource parents and families in order to assist them to develop positive Christian homes.

The Minister to Children is a part-time staff position and will work under the authority and direction of the Pastor. He will coordinate ministry efforts with other staff, the Children's Committee, and the Church Council to present unified opportunities within the Church Body.

Primary Responsibilities

1. Develop and implement preschool and children's Sunday and week day programs such as, but not limited to:
Sunday School, Children's Church, AWANA, MISSIONS, Nursery
2. Emphasis on developing, implementing and co-coordinating seasonal larger scale events, etc.
Vacation Bible School, Easter events, Summer Camps and retreats.
3. Recruit, and equip teachers and workers for children's ministries in coordination with the nominating committee.
4. Develop and implement a leadership training program for children's ministry volunteers.
5. Continue to develop and update child safety and protection policies in accordance with changing laws. Maintain background checks on all volunteers.
6. Oversee room usage and equipment selection for use in children's ministry programs.
7. Provide programs and counsel to families with children including parent training and resourcing.
8. Maintain personal participation in children's programs and develop personal contacts with children.

Skills Required:

- A follower of Jesus Christ who evidences a dynamic walk with Him
- An active member of a Southern Baptist Church (become a member of Mt. Yonah Baptist Church once employed)
- A commitment to conduct their ministry under the doctrinal guidelines of **The Baptist Faith and Message**
- A minimum of two years experience in a children's ministry using big group/small group format
- Familiarity with AWANA, TeamKids and other children's curriculums
- Experience in developing creative/innovative children's programs – preschool to sixth grade.
- Great phone skills.
- Proven ability in enlisting, equipping and managing volunteers.
- Able to develop and manage a budget.
- A working knowledge and skill with basic computer programs



Mount Yonah
BAPTIST CHURCH

MEET OUR
MINISTER TO CHILDREN
ANDEE COURSON

We Welcome



**Andee, Julie, Emma-15, Olivia-12, Madalyn-7,
Amelia-5, *Darren-2, *Lexie-10 months**

(*Foster children)

INFORMATION ABOUT
ANDEE COURSON

460 Washboard Road-Cleveland, Georgia 30528
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- Education:** **Georgia Southern University**
Bachelor of Science Degree in Therapeutic
Recreation, August 1994
**Currently attending New Orleans Baptist
Seminary Extension in Marietta, GA**
- Experience:** **Presently Serving in the GA National Guard
as a chaplain candidate**
- Level Grove Baptist Church**
Cornelia, Georgia 30531
Position: Children's Minister
Part Time from September 2003 to September 2006
Full Time: September 2006 to 2011
- Habersham County Board of Education
(Currently Employed) Bus Driver**
March 2007 to present
- Jack Bradley Agency**
Position: Licensed Insurance Agent
February 2004 to September 2006
- Alltel**
August 2003 - February 2004
- Lake Swan Camp and Conference Center**
Seasonal Camp Manager
Responsibilities included managing day to day
summer Christian camping program.
Summer 2004
- Laurelwood Mental Health-Alcohol and Drug
Abuse Services of Northeast Georgia Health Care**
Position: Lead Recreation Therapist
December 1998 - April 2003
Supervisor: Ms. Nancy Brooks, Department Director
- Lee Arrendale State Correctional Institution**
Position: Recreation Therapist
July 1998 - November 1998
Supervisor: Ms. Donna Chiapetta, MH/MR Director
- Children's Hospital of New Orleans**
Position: Recreation Therapist
January 1997 - March 1998
May 1994 - September 1994 (Internship)

Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
"A Special Needs Camp for Children and Adults"
Position: Camp Director
November 1994 - December 1996

Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind
5626 Laura Walker Road
Waycross, Georgia 31502
Position: Program Director, General Counselor,
Summers of 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993

Skills: Current certification in CPR; Computer skills/
experience; Therapeutic Recreation Specialist;
Operation of office equipment; Public speaking;
Recruitment, hiring, training and supervision of
staff; Operation of 15 passenger van, small
passenger bus, and school bus; Light carpentry
work; Operation of lawn care equipment;
Operation and safe use of power tools; Cash
register operation; Book keeping experience/
operating programs within defined budget;
Designed and supervised building of low/high
ropes course; Janitorial experience; Commercial
drivers license, Ordained Southern Baptist
Minister and more...

WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT ANDEE

Diane Adams, Personnel Team MYBC - I felt Andee's
commitment and sincerity from the moment we met him. He
has a wonderful spirit of humility and faith in God and
His timing....

Donna Baker, Personnel Team MYBC - I have been so
impressed with the work that he has done at Level
Grove. I feel that God has sent Andee to us.

Lisa Cook, Women's Ministry Level Grove BC - Andee is a
great man with a Godly family. He has a God led ministry
and is very organized. Children's ministry has seen
phenomenal growth under Andee's leadership.

Monica Welborn, known Andee for many years - Many kids
have come to Christ under Andee's leadership. Andee is
always looking for ways to reach out to children in the
community -- with after school programs, school supply
programs, etc.

Adam & Britt Gragg, Youth Pastor and worked on staff
with Andee - Family lives more biblically than any
family he has ever known. Not a better children's
minister that he has ever encountered. Hopes someday
to get to work with Andee again.

Barbi Ridley, Worked together for 4 years - Everybody
likes Andee. Some consider him the backbone of the
church. He challenges people to get involved. Julie
works with him and headed up VBS. A very supportive
friend as she deals with a crisis in her own family as
her husband has dementia.