



Hey kids...Wanna have some real fun as you learn God's Word??

AWANA is a Bible-based, Christ-centered program for children. The word AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed and comes from the Bible verse II Timothy 2:15: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

The goal of AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ, and train them to serve Him. It is a great honor to serve God in this way and to lead children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

The First Baptist Church of Lakewood's AWANA program runs from September to May and we meet on Wednesday nights from 6:45 pm – 8:15 pm. We create a fun and exciting atmosphere to learn in by dividing our meeting into three segments:

- Handbook time: Small group interaction and completion of Bible-based lessons
- Game time: Age-appropriate games on the AWANA game circle
- Council Time: Singing, Bible teaching, the gospel message and award presentation



Cubbies: Age 3 to Pre K

In Cubbies, your child will be involved in activities that encourage real learning. This program provides a solid foundation for faith, based on God's Word. And it's fun, too! Cubbies participate in prayer and a Bible story, activity sheets, have visits from puppets, make crafts, sing songs and play non-competitive games.

The Cubbies earn patches for their uniform by completing Bear Hugs. Each Bear Hug includes Scripture memorization and parent-child activities. The activities in club meetings each week are coordinated with the Bible truths he or she learns at home. Different learning levels offer options that keep learning exciting and fun!

Throughout the year, the Cubbies learn the Gospel using two letters and two key verses:

"A" Romans 3:23 "...all have sinned, and come short of the Glory of God..."

"B" Romans 5:8 "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."



It is our goal that Cubbies learn the Gospel clearly, with hopes that they take it with them through the rest of their lives.

Sparks: Grades K-2



Sparks is the AWANA club designed for children Kindergarten thru second grade and builds on the material taught in the preschool club, Cubbies. The aim of the program is to take this age group a step deeper into God's Word, while giving unsaved boys and girls opportunities to hear the Gospel and come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Sparky, the friendly firefly, encourages boys and girls to learn verses and complete handbook assignments.

Each handbook is firmly grounded in Scripture and features:

Basic truths about God, Jesus Christ, salvation and the Bible

Increased emphasis on scripture memorization, focusing on salvation and key Christian doctrine

Clear and consistent presentation of the Gospel message

Truth & Training (T&T): Grades 3-6

All 3rd thru 6th graders are AWANA T&T clubbers. Our goal is to reach these older children the truth of God's Word and Train them to serve Him in their daily lives.

Each clubber begins with a Start Zone booklet. We want them to know what it means to trust Christ as their Lord and Savior so it explains salvation to the children on their first night at club.

God's Word says, "Even a child is known by his doings" (Proverbs 20:11). We believe that once a clubber has trusted Jesus Christ as their Savior, he or she is able to serve Christ immediately. The handbooks include requirements that focus on serving others, that help them develop this attitude.



Once a clubber completes the Start Zone booklet, we begin working as a group through this year's book, "In Mission: Evidence of Grace." We learn about the nature of God, structure and sequence of the Bible in our Large group times and Small group times. Scripture memorization is part of each week, as well as a weekly global prayer focus. We find that working together as a class in the book helps to engage clubbers and encourage questions leading to in-depth discussions. Parents also can engage with their children weekly while reviewing what was covered in class and look ahead to the next week's lesson.

We have an awesome time learning God's Word, so JOIN OUR AWANA CLUB TODAY!!

Parents are always encouraged to volunteer, we have openings in all groups.

See you on September 6th for our first day of Awana!