

# FAQ's

## for Brit Ahm Kid's Classes

### 1. What classes do you offer children?

- A Nursery is available for ages 0-4, which is located off the main Sanctuary. Nursery care is provided whenever there are regular classes/services at Brit Ahm.
- Shabbat School, Yeladim B'Yeshua, and Children's Bible Study are for ages 5-12 and are held in the building in the back.

### 2. What time is Shabbat School?

- Shabbat School begins promptly at 9:00 am and ends at 9:45 am every Saturday morning. Ages 5-12 attend class in the middle room (Bet).
- Teachers: Rebbetzin Pammy and Miss Beverly

### 3. What time is Yeladim B'Yeshua? (And what does it mean?)

- It means Children In Yeshua and this class begins at approximately 11:15 am every Shabbat. The children are dismissed for this class in between the Torah Processional and the rabbi's drash/message. It lasts until approximately 12:00 pm, or whenever the rabbi finishes his message.
- Yeladim rotates between Children's Davidic Dance with Miss Abigail Fatkins and an interactive class with Ms. Rivkah or another teacher. One of these teachers or their assistants will lead the children out of the Sanctuary to the building in the back and will lead them back in when service is finished.
- If you arrive late for service and find that the children have already gone to class, you may bring them to the classroom building in the back to drop them off.

### 4. When is Children's Bible Study?

- Children's Bible Study is on Tuesday nights from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm. It occurs during Adult Bible Study. The children are currently going through the Book of Galatians.

### 5. When can my 5 y/o join the children's classes?

- We allow children who turn 5 years old to move up into the children's classes at the beginning and end of school semesters. For example, if your child's birthday occurs in March, he/she may move up at the end of May when the semester ends. Children who turn 5 after May should wait until August when the semester begins. A "Move-Up Date" is announced closer to the beginning/end of each semester and will be posted on the Children's Page on the website.
- The reason for the "Move-Up" rule is to help keep the classes balanced so that one teacher is not overwhelmed by too many new children in their class. Space is also limited and we try to maintain a comfortable and enjoyable environment for all the children and teachers.

#### 6. What is your disciplinary method while in class?

- We go over classroom rules and guidelines frequently with the children, especially when there are new children or visitors. Emphasis is placed on loving your neighbor as yourself and following the rules so everyone can have a fun and enjoyable time in class.
- When a child needs discipline, the order of discipline is one warning and then child is returned to his/her parents in the Sanctuary after a repeated offense.

#### 7. What do the children learn in your classes?

- Generally, each week's lessons are patterned after the weekly Torah portion. Children learn not only from Torah, but also the New Covenant. Each lesson is Messiah-centered and reflects on loving G-d and loving others.
- Children's Davidic Dance is organized and planned by Miss Abigail according to the needs of the children.

#### 8. Do you have any special programs/activities for the children on holidays or summer break?

- Yes. During the summer, Brit Ahm hosts a VTS (Vacation Torah School) for ages 5-12. Occasionally, we take the kids on field trips to the Zoo or a park.
- On holidays, sometimes the children will put on some type of performance for the congregation. We like to implement various kinds of performances and alternate between holidays so it's a unique experience each year. On Sukkot, we have a whole weekend of activities for children during our annual SukkahFest. We do not have performances or programs for every holiday (there are simply too many!).

9. How can I stay updated on events and activities regarding the children?

- You may visit the Brit Ahm website or Brit Ahm Kid's Facebook Group (ask Catherine or Rivkah to join) to stay updated on our children's activities and events. The Facebook group is the main place that Catherine and/or Rivkah communicate with parents. If you are not on Facebook, they can also communicate with you via email or text. Please specify if you prefer a text or email. (See phone # above)
- Email: [catherine.currier@britahm.org](mailto:catherine.currier@britahm.org) , [rivkah.sayger@britahm.org](mailto:rivkah.sayger@britahm.org)

10. Who is the new Children's Coordinator?

- Mrs. Rivkah Sayger is our new Children's Coordinator! If you have kids you'd like to bring to our children's classes, Rivkah would love to meet you! You can find her on Shabbat during service or Oneg or ask for her on weekdays in the office during office hours.
- Miss Catherine is Rivkah's assistant! If you can't find Rivkah for any reason, you can find Catherine and find answers to any questions you may have about our Children's Ministry!