Parent Night

JMC- Children and Youth

Purpose of the Night

- Reminding parents they have the primary responsibility in discipling their children
- Bringing the focus to Disciple-making in the home
- Support and encourage Parents in bringing this initiative to the home
- •Ministry in JMC Youth and Children that parents can be involved

Agenda

Time	Topic
7:00-7:10	Opening Remark and Prayer by P. Stan
(10 mins)	
7:10-7:25	The purpose of Parent Night by P. Phoebe
(15 mins)	
7:25-7:50	Program Related Activities
(25 mins)	1. Karen Mah
	2. Elder Andrew Leung
7:50-8:30	Ministry Updates
(40 mins)	1. JMC Children's by P. Phoebe
	2. JMC Youth by Elder Andrew and Elder Stuart
8:30- 9:00 (30 Mins)	Q and A Time for Parents

Disciple-Making in the Home Resources

Karen Mah

What does Discipleship at home look like?

77 Praying for your kids.



Praying with your kids.



Reading God's Word together.



Talking about faith and applying it to life.



Sharing the gospel with your kids.

What are some of the challenges?

This is all really hard. I don't even know where to start.

We don't have any time.

Faith needs to be a choice.

We are not trained to disciple kids, so we don't want to say the wrong thing.

How do we move forward?

This is all really hard. I don't even know where to start.

Start with something small. Add as you go.

We don't have any time.

We need to be intentional and make this a priority.

We will talk about how to incorporate small steps.

How do we move forward?

Faith needs to be a choice.

We go to church and do programs and hope the Holy Spirit will transform our kids.

This passive approach is not enough and leaves our kids vulnerable. We need to show them how to live out our faith and what the gospel means to us.



We are not trained to disciple kids, so we don't want to say the wrong thing.

We are all on a faith journey and learning together. No one has all the answers.

Serve and get trained and practice on other people's kids!

How do we move forward?

What is a practical way to start?

Deuteronomy 6:7 gives us four times of the day that we can make small changes to make Jesus the center of our homes.

"when you sit at home" - mealtime

"when you walk along the road" - driving

"when you lie down" - bedtime "when you get up" — wake-up time

What are some ideas?

Speak or pray a quick blessing at wake-up time.

Read a devotional book or bible passage at meal time or bedtime and discuss.

Listen to Christian music or a Christian program while driving. You can pray in the car.

Set aside a weekly time to do a fun family devotion.

What are some book resources?

Bible Stories

- The Beginner's Bible
- The Jesus Storybook Bible

Bible Stories with Devotionals

- Indescribable Louie Giglio
- God Always Keeps His Promises Max Lucado

Family Devotionals

- Big Book of Easy-To-Do Bible Talks
 David C. Cook
- The Bible is My Best Friend Family Devotional – Sheila Walsh

RightNow Media (sign up for a free account at ecac.ca) – lots of kids faith-based programs.

The Bible Project – <u>www.bibleproject.com</u> – videos about the bible by book, theme, word studies.

The Bible App for Kids – free app for kids with bible stories and games.

Discover App – free app with 30 studies from Creation to Christ. 4 simple questions allow users to unpack the study.

What are some online resources?

Focus on the Family – www.focusonthefamily.ca – free parenting magazine, parenting articles/podcasts, recommended books, kids magazine subscriptions.

Family Devotions On the Go – fun 5-minute devotions www.focusonthefamily.com/parenting/family-devotionson-the-go/

Kids of Integrity – one devotion per character trait (e.g. obedience) with lesson ideas and activities www.kidsofintegrity.com

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Thinking Family -

<u>apologeticscanada.com/category/apologetics-for-parents/</u> - Five Questions Worth Thinking About.

What is the meaning of life? Does God Exist? Do all religions lead to God? Why is there evil? Is there life after death?



Andrew Leung

Disciple-making at home - resources

「做/造主門徒」之家庭篇 - 资源:

- 1. www.axis.org Axis
- 2. www.cpyu.org (Centre for Parent/Youth Understanding)
- 3. <u>www.focf.org</u> 愛家協會
- 4. <u>www.focusonthefamily.ca</u> Focus on The Family
- 5. Others

Disciple-making at Home - Resource https://axis.org/:







KNOW YOUR TEEN'S WORLD

Are you a **parent**, **grandparent**, **educator**, **pastor**, **mentor**, or **friend** of teenagers? If so, these guides are for you!

It's hard to keep track of *everything* teens are into, let alone know how to talk about them. But it doesn't have to be! We created these downloadable PDFs to help you understand the things your teens face, how to have conversations about them, and how to biblically disciple the teens in your life into lifelong faith through it all.



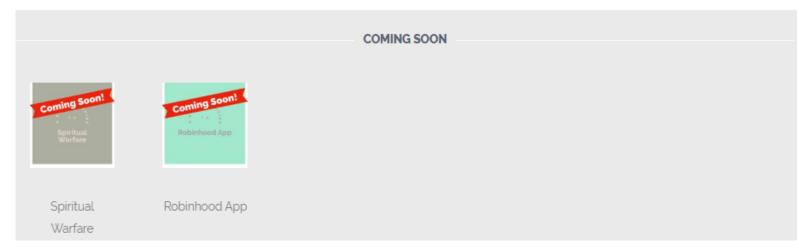
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Center For Parent/ Youth Understanding

https://cpyu.org/



Helping parents, youth workers, educators, pastors and others understand and reach today's youth culture









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Helping parents understand teenagers and their world

LIVING THROUGH YOUR KILS

WALT MUELLER, CPYU President



YOUTH CULTURE HOT QUOTE

...when
I found
myself with
total sexual
freedom,
I was
unhappy.

Emily Witt, author of "Future Sex: A New Kind of Free Love" released October 2016



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You know them when you see them. They are the parents who scream at their kids from the sidelines, show disappointment when a child brings home an A- grade, and continually post pictures and announcements on social media that trumpet their kid's good looks and achievements. For parents who live vicariously through their kids, it's not at all about encouraging kids to quietly go about life doing their best, but using their kids to loudly and selfishly showcase themselves at their best.

I have never forgotten the first time that I so clearly saw a father admit to seeking his own identity through his football-playing son. After two quarters of screaming loudly at his teenage son from the stands, the father was confronted by a peer who yelled, "Hey Bob! You'd think that was you out there on the field!" Bob didn't hesitate to issue his enthusiastic reply: "It is!!" God bless Bob's son.

In his recently released book Parenting: Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family, Dr. Paul Tripp includes a chapter on the topic of "Identity." Dr. Tripp states the "Identity Principle" this way: "If you are not resting as a parent in your identity in Christ, you will look for identity in your children." While expecting our children to be successful and do their best is not a bad thing, far too many of us are harboring parental hearts that are more focused on our children achieving the kind of success that makes us look good, rather than on the child who is required to deliver it. The result is that we crush and embitter our children through the weight of our pressures and expectations. When that happens, God bless our sons and daughters.

The remedy to this is to rest in our identity in Jesus Christ. If we are not finding our identity in Christ, we will attempt to find our identity in something in the creation. . . possessions, vocation, accomplishments, and even our children. Simply stated, this is idolatry. As Dr. Tripp remind us, only Christ is able to give us the identity, peace, and meaning that our hearts seek.

So, how can you know if you are living to find your identity through your children rather than in Jesus Christ? What are the signs that your parenting is driven more by what you need from your children rather than by what God wants to do through you in your children? Dr. Tripp shares these five "sure indications":

- Too much focus on success. You want your children to succeed because you need them to succeed.
- Too much concern about reputation. You rely on your children and their performance to polish your reputation as a parent.
- Too great a desire for control. You control situations and people to make sure your children succeed and enhance your reputation.
- Too much emphasis on doing rather than being. You focus on your child's physical, social, and educational accomplishments rather than on their heart.
- Too much temptation to make it personal.
 You focus not on how their behavior is viewed by God, but on how their behavior affects you.

Parents, take stock of how you're parenting. Are you putting undue, spirit-crushing pressure on your kids, or are you seeking to find your identity in Christ? ★

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Focus On the Family http://www.focf.org/





More parenting resources

Are you looking for more ways to excite your children about pleasing Jesus? Could you use a little help with some of the challenging aspects of parenting? Here's a peek at some of our services and resources that have received kudos from other Canadian families. There's sure to be something here that will inspire your family!

For kids



Adventures in Odyssey

For over 30 years kids have been eagerly tuning in to Focus on the Family's popular Adventures in Odyssey radio drama series to hear the latest wacky exploits of eccentric storekeeper John Whittaker, plus a host of other unforgettable characters. Purchase the series on CD and join the hijinks for faith-building lessons that captivate kids ages 8 to 12!

Learn more



Adventures in Odyssey Club

Kids love the Adventures in Odyssey audio series for the quirky characters and engaging plots. Parents love that the stories deepen kids' faith and instill positive values. Now kids can enjoy all the time in Odyssey they want! Sign up at AlOclub.org to access over 800 Adventures in Odyssey episodes, plus members-only stories, daily devotions, monthly activities and more!

Learn more



Adventures in Odyssey: Life Lessons

These selected audio dramas from the Adventures in Odyssey series (see above) are a perfect accompaniment or follow-up to Kids of Integrity lessons. Suitable for ages 8 to 12, each CD features three or more stories focused on a single character trait. Topics in the series include compassion, diligence, honesty, respect, perseverance and more.

Learn more



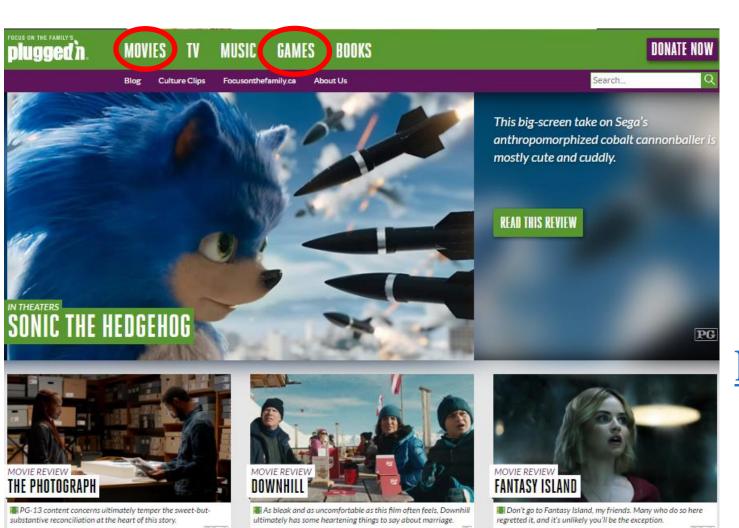
Clubhouse and Clubhouse Jr. magazines

Kids love to receive mail, and what could be more exciting than a monthly magazine designed just for them? Our Clubhouse and Clubhouse Jr. magazines for ages 3 to 12 are packed with articles, puzzles and crafts that remind kids that God created a wonderful world, and that His way of living is wonderful too.

Learn more

Focus On the Family https://www.focusonthefamily.ca/

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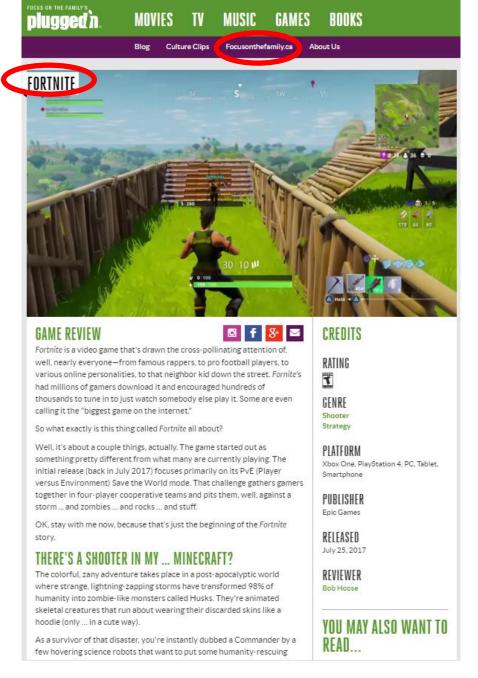
Focus On the Family: Plugged'n

https://www.pluggedin.com/

Plugged In is an entertainment guide full of the reviews you need to make wise personal and family-friendly decisions about movies, videos, music, TV, games and books.

To learn more on our vision and passion for helping families, check out our about us page.

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JMC-Children

Pastor Phoebe Chan

Children Ministry Vision and Goals

Developing Life Long Followers of Christ Together

"Partnering with all families, we will disciple children to deepen their love, faith, and knowledge of God towards establishing their identity as Christ followers."

1. Building Relationships

"For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others."- Romans 12:4-5

We believe that building relationships within the family, church, and community are important in fostering spiritual growth in our children. Our goal is to build meaningful relationships between the older and younger generations to create a sense of belonging which enables them to see the value and purpose of community that God calls the people of the church to be.

2. Foundational Knowledge

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work" - 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Scripture based learning and teaching is how children can understand God more and their relation to Him through Christ. It is to develop the biblical foundations of truth in our children so that they will be able to seek further and become life long learners and followers of Christ.

3. Christian Living

"We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did." - 1 John 2:3-6

This is to challenge children to apply what they have learned to their daily lives. That through their values, behaviour, and attitude, they are to reflect Christ and his love to others through their life.

4. Development of Spiritual Gifts

"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work." — 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Each child has gifts and talents that are given by God to do His Will. Through discipleship, children are given opportunities and experiences to discover their gifts and use them to further the Kingdom of God. This is to equip and build the future leaders of the church.

Children Ministry

- 1. Wee Care (Age 0-3)
- 2. Sunday School 9:30 (Age 4-12)
- 3. Sunday Worship 11:15 (Age 4-12)
- 4. AWANA Program
- 5. VBS
- 6. David Camp
- 7. Sunday Sundae Summer
- 8. Special Events: Boy's and Girl's Event

Wee Care

- •Committee Members: Sarah Chan (EMC), Mary Zhou (MMC), and Bobo Kam (CMC)
- •Looking to change the curriculum and building new resources for teaching

Sunday School and Worship

- Coordinators: Sarah Anne Fung and Michelle Lee
- Sunday School is from 9:30 am- 10:45 am mainly university students
- Sunday Worship is from 11:15 am to 12:30 pm mixture of parents and university leaders
- ■D6 Curriculum
- Need teachers in Sunday Worship 11:15 am
- Encouragement for teachers and leaders

AWANA

- Discipleship for children through leaders
- •Handbooks , Counsel Time, and Games Times
- Counsel Time: Obedience
- Parent volunteers for Handbook Time and teaching Counsel Time



- Committee: Ilse Li, Lisa Yip, Christine Chan, Rachel To
 - Outreach event to reach to non Christians
 - Leading stations
 - •Field Trip Coordinator
 - Craft Coordinator

David Camp

- Coordinator: June Cheung
- Camp for Grade 3-8 Students
- Change of camp site
- Prayer for the leaders and June

Sunday Sundae

- Led by Summer Intern and High School students
- ■We run from 9:30 to 12:30
- Change the way we run because the high school students are not being supported and kids are just dropped off
- •We need to build onto the children more intentionally
- Need parent teachers and helpers to lead and coordinate

Special Events

- 1. Boy's Event by Wilson Wong
- 2. Girl's Event by Melissa Hui
- 3. Parent Resources by Karen Mah

Get involved as Parent Volunteer!

- Become a teacher/ helper/ leader
- •Be a part of planning and organizing of camps/ events/ committees
- Pray and encourage our young leaders

JMC-Youth

Elder Andrew

JMC Youth - Ministry Updates 青少年部 - 事工现状

Bible Quiz 圣经问答 Sunday School 主日学 Worship 崇拜 Fellowships – Caleb & Joshua 团契 - 迦勒与约书亚 Mentorship - 师友计划 Top issues 主要问题

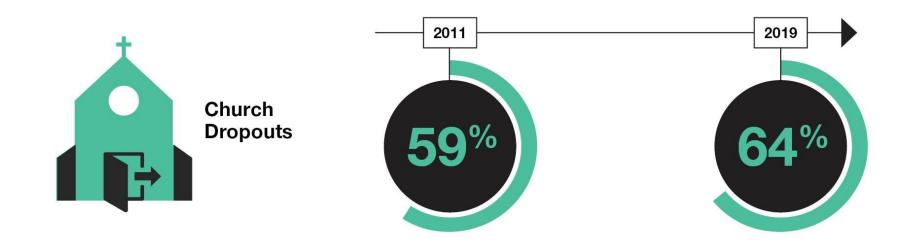
THE SPIRITUALLY HOMELESS YOUTH

Today, there is a 43 percent drop-off in church engagement between the teen and early adult years. This represents 8 million twentysomethings who were once active churchgoers but who will no longer be particularly engaged in a church by their 30th birthday. Who are these 8 million young adults? What characterizes their exit from the church? How do they feel about Christianity in general? Here is a profile of these spiritually homeless Millennials:

Of 18-29 year old Americans with a Christian background:



Barna Group. "Three Spiritual Journeys of Millennials," no pages. Cited 24 February 2020. Online: https://www.barna.com/research/three-spiritual-journeys-of-millennials/



n = 1,816 US adults 18-29 current/former Christians, January 2011; n = 1,514 US adults 18-29 current/former Christians, February 16-28, 2018

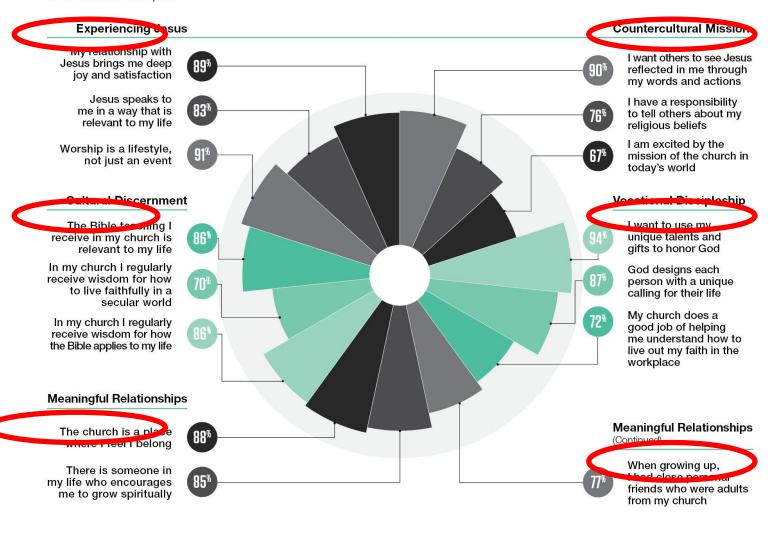
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Barna Group. "Church Dropouts Have Risen to 64%—But What About Those Who Stay?" no pages. Cited 24 February 2020. Online: https://www.barna.com/research/resilient-disciples/

2013: Religious affiliation at its lowest point since it began to be tracked. (UC-Berkeley and Duke University).

2013: 32% of the Millennial generation has no religious affiliation (Pew Research).

% of resilient disciples

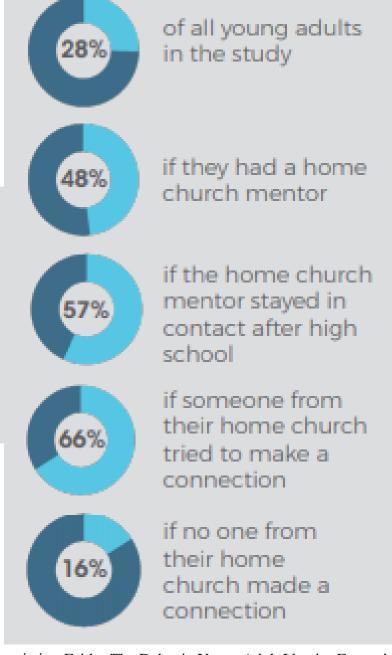


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MENTORS AND HOME CHURCH CONNECTIONS IMPACT FAITH TRAJECTORY OF YOUNG ADULTS

How many young adults in postsecondary studies connect with a Christian campus group?



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JMC Youth - Sunday School Updates 青少年部 - 主日学现状

Junior 初中 (9:30 - 10:45 am)

☐ Gospel of John 约翰福音

Senior high 高中 (9:30 - 10:45 am)

□ Christian belief and apologetics 基督教信仰与护教学

JMC Youth - Worship Updates 青少年部 - 崇拜现状

Youth worship 青少年崇拜

- □ 2nd and 4th Sunday every month 每个月的第二个和第四个 星期日
- □ 11:15 am 12:30 noon at Dynamic Centre 互動中心

JMC Youth - Fellowships Updates 青少年部 - 团契现状

7:00 - 9:00 pm, Saturday 周六晚上

Junior high 初中 - 迦勒团契
□ Theme: Consistency 信仰与行为一致

Senior high 高中 - 约书亚团契

☐ Theme: GPS 向神定位系统

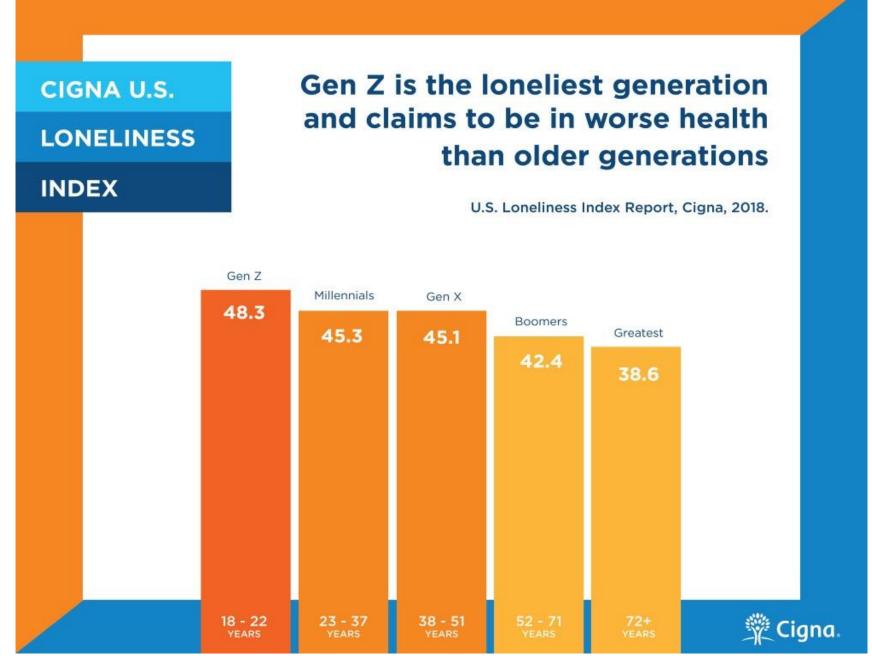
JMC Youth - Mentorship Updates 青少年部 - 师友计划现状

20 pairs of mentors/mentees 20对师友

- ☐ Mostly senior high 大部分高中
- □ Support team of 4 4人支援队







Anonymous. "2018 Cigna U.S. Loneliness Index Report," Cigna Intellectual Property Inc. Cited 24 February 2020. Online: https://www.cigna.com/assets/docs/newsroom/loneliness-survey-2018-full-report.pdf

Top issues 主要问题:

Smartphones/tablets/game consoles 智能手机/平板电脑/游戏机

Registration - less than 20% 注册 - 少于20%

Shortage of co-workers - Caleb's counselors, teachers 同工短缺 - 迦勒团导师,主日学老师...

Fellowships' target audience: 团契主要对象