

## INTRODUCTION

Rick Chromey in his book, *Children's Ministries Guide for Smaller Churches*, reiterated the important fact that, "Churches are exciting places for ministry. I believe that a dynamic children's ministry is often what makes a church successful. Successes or failures in children's ministry will determine who is in the congregation a generation from now."



Therefore, the leaders and members of the church begin with children of today. We need to use our resources to instill an exciting faith in children now. Many teens have grown disinterested in faith because of their church experiences as children. If we spend more time and money creating exciting children's ministries, perhaps the excitement would carry over into the teen years.

As the Children's Ministries Coordinator, you have the opportunity to impact the kids in your church and help them develop into strong, spiritual leaders of the future. But remember, growing an exciting faith doesn't come by chance or apathy. There need to be passion and good organization.

The *Children's Ministries Coordinator* is a guidebook for children's leaders in organizing and running efficient Children's Ministries programs in the local church. It offers dozens of ideas for organizing vibrant children's ministries that will provide opportunities for children to develop a relationship with Jesus, lead and participate in the faith community, and use their gifts and talents in service to others.