# LEGACY



# **WELCOME TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH!**

At Legacy we are passionate about helping children know Jesus personally and to grow as one of His followers.

We want every child to know God personally. We don't want children to think that following Jesus is just for adults or that they have to be older before they can know God and start walking in His purpose for their life. We want children to encounter God, to grow in their relationship with Jesus, and to use the gifts that God has given them to serve their world.

We also want children to feel like they are an important part of our church family. Our children aren't just the church of tomorrow, they are a huge part of the church of today! We want children to know they are loved, wanted, and celebrated.

John & Kiri Lead Pastors



# **OUR CHECK IN SYSTEM**

Legacy has a simple check in and check out system to ensure your child is safe. You can check your child in by entering their name in any one of the kiosks. If you are a first-time visitor, it will ask you for your child's details. If you have already done this, then it will bring your child's name up and you can simply click on their name to check them in. Once your child is checked in, the kiosk will print out a label with your child's name that you can stick to their clothing so that our leaders know they have been checked in and can identify them. The kiosk will also print out a receipt that you must keep and use to collect your child when the programme is finished.

Children's Church is open from 15 minutes before and after each service.



# PARENTS' ROOM

Our Parents' Room is a space where parents can watch a live feed of the service without having to worry about their children being distracting. Our Parents' Room isn't supervised, so parents need to watch their own children in this space.

We have set the Parents' Room up so that it is comfortable for parents. It has a private area for mothers to breastfeed, a microwave to heat food or bottles, a changing table, spare nappies and a nappy bin, and some toys for children to play with. It also has tea and coffee for parents.



# **ESTABLISHED LOCATIONS**

### **GLOW**

Glow is our programme for 2- to 4-year-olds. It is led by a team of volunteers who have a heart to disciple God's littlest people. Glow starts with free play and includes an age-appropriate lesson from the Bible, some morning tea and fun activities for the children.

As a parent, you are welcome to stay with your child if you want to settle them in and to come and check on them throughout the service. If there are any issues where your child becomes unsettled during the programme, one of our helpers will come and get you from the service to let you know.

## **BLAZE**

Blaze is our programme for 5- to 12-year-olds. It is led by a team of volunteers who have a heart to help children know Jesus and grow as His followers.

We start Blaze with free play while everyone is arriving. When the service starts, we bring our children into adult church so they can join in with praise and worship. We then come back into the Blaze room and do a big lesson and a small group teaching from the HyFi curriculum, finishing off with some food and fun!

Small Groups are a big part of the way that we build into our children in this space. They enable us to break the children into groups of 5-8s, 9-10s and 11-12s so that each child can learn at a level that works for them.



# **EMERGING LOCATIONS**

Our emerging locations have children's programmes for ages 2 to 12 years. In some locations we break into two groups and in others we do kids church all together.

We have the same safety standards and leader to child ratios across all our locations.



# **SAFETY**

**Ratio** We always have a minimum of 2 volunteers rostered on

for any children's programme, aiming for a 1:10 ratio

where possible.

**Food** There is a space where you can put any food allergies

into your child's profile when you check in and they are printed on your child's check in label. If your child has serious allergies, please make sure you let one of our

Leaders know.

**Behaviour** As part of our commitment to keep every child safe, we

have clear expectations on what is acceptable. If your child becomes unsettled or is harming another child, one

of our helpers will come and get you from the adult

service.

**Police checks** All our volunteers are vetted as part of the onboarding process.

Policies

Legacy adheres to the Acts Churches NZ robust policies for Health and Safety and for Child Protection. Just contact our office if you want a copy of these on <a href="mailto:info@legacy.net.nz">info@legacy.net.nz</a>.

# **JOIN THE TEAM**

Children's ministry is a fun and rewarding place to serve. It's an opportunity to help children develop a personal relationship with Jesus and have a generational impact. It's also an opportunity for you to grow in your faith by using the gifts God has put in your life.

We have a great team and roster system to make sure our children's volunteers can serve and still receive from church and stay connected to the vision of the church.

If you want to join the team just fill out a volunteer form from our webpage <a href="www.legacy.net.nz">www.legacy.net.nz</a>.

# LEGACY KIDS