

GEPC Children's Ministries Ideas & Resources for Parents

Parent Guided Activities

1. Read the Bible together as a family. Give your readers a turn to read, too!
2. Lead a time of family devotion. Here's a place where you can find online devotion resources if you don't already have your own: <https://ministry-to-children.com/toc/family/devotions/>
3. Have a worship dance party. Put on praise music or use kids worship songs on YouTube. Here's some ideas <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/upbeat-songs-quarantined-kids/> OR <https://ministry-to-children.com/music/>
4. Lead a Bible craft (some will also be coming in the lessons we will be distributing). There's lots of ideas online. Here's a page to get you started: <https://ministry-to-children.com/sunday-school-crafts/>
5. Act out Bible skits as a family. Here's some ideas: <https://ministry-to-children.com/toc/activities/bible-skits/>
6. Go for a prayer walk around your house, your block or at a park. Have kids pray aloud giving thanks to God while naming all of the beautiful things they see. Pray for teachers, grandparents, doctors and nurses, etc. Here are more ideas: <https://herviewfromhome.com/how-to-do-a-prayer-walk-in-your-home/>.

Service project ideas for the kids while you are homebound:

- Make cards for shut ins, nursing homes, teachers, doctors, pastors, etc.
- Call a friend or family member and tell them you miss them
- Draw a picture and mail it to a friend
- Do something helpful for another family member
- Help with Spring Cleaning around your house or yard

Bible Video Resource

One last suggestion...**Mr. Phil TV** is being launched a couple months early to help parents have access to great Bible content at home for their kids to watch while we are all stuck at home. I would highly recommend these videos. We used the What's in the Bible Curriculum at Gashland a few years ago. He has new content as well, including The Mr. Phil Show, which includes biographical sketches of famous Christians throughout history and their contributions to the world.

You can access this here: <https://mrphil.tv>. and use the discount code **GOINGCRAZY** to get an extra 4 weeks free (this makes it 6 weeks free!!). If your kids want to watch TV a lot right now, this is excellent content that will stick with them and that you'll be happy about!