



Good morning parents!

We hope you and your family are having a great summer so far! In Kids Branch we have been blessed with some amazing interns that have helped to develop and facilitate our Camp in a Box and Discovery on Adventure Island camp programs. Over the next two weeks they will be planning for our August Pop-up camps. To learn more about this opportunity for your kids to engage with others please see the details below.

Today we are starting a new series, called 'Cooking with Jesus'. We are very excited for your kids to hear from our summer interns and to explore different 'recipes' for success that come from the Bible. As they look to Jesus and follow his 'recipes' for success we are certain your kids will cook up something amazing. Today, using the concept of fruit pizza, your kids will learn about the Fruits of the Spirit. We hope you enjoy!

We find it a great joy to serve your family and to walk alongside you. We are here if you are in need of prayer or support. Or if you know of another family in need of support, please let us know how we can be of help. Don't hesitate to reach out!

Kids Branch

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### August Pop-up Camps

- **Dates:** August 9-13<sup>th</sup> and August 16-20<sup>th</sup>
- **Location:** Church parking lot (tents will be used for shade and bathrooms are available if needed)
- **Time:** 10:00 – 11:30 AM
- **Details:**
  - Depending on the number of children in attendance there will be 4 groups – 2 elementary groups, 1 preschool group, and a parent and tot group. Children JK and younger will need to have a parent remain on site during the program.
  - Planned activities would take into account COVID guidelines
- Sign up using the following Google Form - <https://forms.gle/gVADjCyu66Bnc8H28>
- Please pass this link along to your friends to invite them to participate.

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### Kids Branch @ Home Video Option – <https://youtu.be/43Hi6n4pU1Q>

- This includes worship, skit, and Bible lesson

### Kids Branch @ Home Parent Led Option

#### Worship Suggestions

During worship encourage your kids to sing, follow along with the actions, have a dance party or just listen and think about what the words say who Jesus is and who we are to him. All of these are ways that we can express our joy and love for God.

- Play "Fruit of the Spirit" - <https://youtu.be/f-ejASqf1VE>
- Play "Thankful" - [https://youtu.be/U\\_ewLEvA8\\_o](https://youtu.be/U_ewLEvA8_o)

## **Bible Story Suggestions – Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-26)**

Parent Recap: The Fruit of the Spirit is a recipe for living like Jesus. When the Fruits are evident in our lives, we can be true witnesses to the changing power of Jesus. Pray that God will transform you and your kids with the Fruit of the Spirit.

### **Explore the story**

#### Activity #1: Talk About It

- What is the opposite of living with the Fruit of the Spirit?
- What are some results if we live the opposite to living with the Fruits of the Spirit?
- What are the Fruits of the Spirit?
- How does the Fruit of the Spirit show we love Jesus?
- How can we grow the Fruit of the Spirit in our lives?

#### Activity #2: Craft and Activity Pages

- Create a [fruit basket craft](#)
- Complete some Fruit of the Spirit [activity pages](#)

### **Through the Week**

#### Make fruit pizzas

- Pick a cookie to be the “crust” for your pizza. Then layer the crust with the fruit toppings you want.
- Whipped topping can be used as a base for the fruit to stick to the cookie, or as a final topping on the pizza
- Talk about the Fruits of the Spirit that each person has been able to demonstrate this week.
- Talk about the Fruits of the Spirit that have been difficult to live out.
- Encourage one another in developing and showing love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, and self-control in all situations.

### **Pray Together**

Ask the Holy Spirit to help fill your child and each member of your family with the Fruit of the Spirit so that everyone can help share God’s love.

Join the church in prayer @ 7 PM every day. Find the specific prayer request and scripture on TOB’s Instagram or Facebook story.

### **Memorize Scripture**

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Ephesians 2:10)