

THE KID LIFE

As I reflect on the past year, my heart is filled with deep gratitude for an incredible season of ministry in The Kid Life. It has been a joy to partner with the parents of Mapleview Community Church as we continue developing the hearts and minds of children to know and love Jesus.

Our Sunday ministries continued to grow with weekly attendance averaging over 170 children. In September, we expanded to offering kids ministry across all three services, creating additional space to welcome even more families into our church community. We are continually grateful for the new families God brings to Mapleview.

Each month, more than 120 dedicated volunteers faithfully served, generously giving their time, energy, and gifts to teach, encourage, and care for our children. Quite simply, we have the best volunteers, and this ministry would not be possible without their incredible commitment and love.

This year was filled with meaningful and fun events. True North Kidz Kamp welcomed over 150 children for a memorable week of learning and activities, supported by more than 80 incredible volunteers—the true MVPs of the week.

Other highlights included Family Skate Day in February, Easter weekend, with over 200 kids in attendance, the Mom's GIANT Sleepover, and Dads & Kids Campout in August, and our Family FUNtastic events in October and December. Each event provided opportunities for connection and community.

Throughout the year, we continued to improve our children's spaces and further refine the discipleship elements of our weekly gatherings.

We were grateful for the hard work of our four summer students—Emma, Kate, Madison, and Peter - who helped make our Summer Sundays an incredible success.

Each Sunday, a dedicated team (Alisha, Katy, Kristie, Rebecca & Selena) came alongside to ensure our rooms ran smoothly—without them, our weekly ministry wouldn't have been possible.

Chantal Quispe continued faithfully in her role as administrative support and continues to be a tremendous asset to the ministry.

Behind the scenes, many volunteers worked during the week to ensure The Kid Life ran smoothly and effectively. Their quiet dedication does not go unnoticed, and we are incredibly thankful for each of them.

What a truly meaningful year it has been. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve in this role and excited for all that God has in store for The Kid Life in the year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
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Director of The Kid Life