

New Covenant M.B. Church  
**PARENTING NEWSLETTER**



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Parents, we want the best for our children. Our job is to make sure we set the best examples we can of what a good Christian looks like. We want to make sure our children have the best opportunities, support and be able express their good character which is shown in how they speak and act toward others. We must from time to time check ourselves to ensure that we are demonstrating these things in our day to day living so our children learn and imitate our actions.

2 Corinthians 5 -9 (Message bible) says: "Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. You need firsthand evidence, not mere hearsay that Jesus Christ is in you. Test it out."

Our children need to know that they are loved and supported (even when they do the wrong things). Support does not mean celebrating bad behavior, there should always be consequences for bad behavior. When unconditional love is shown toward our children and others it is easier to transfer Godly wisdom to our children especially our Teens.

How do YOU show support to others? Does your child see you volunteering? Do you donate to organizations that make a difference? How are you treating people who serve you for a living? How do you talk about the homeless? Are you demonstrating strong character in you day to day living? Will your child see a parent who is Talking Loud but Saying or Doing nothing?

Deuteronomy 4:9 (NIV) says: "Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them."

We need to examine ourselves as parents. It is important that we do not get so involved in making a living that we forget to live. We must spend time assessing our focus in planning for our children and our future. Having things are great, but creating memories is greater. God centered children do not just happen - God has laid out a wonderful plan for our lives..... Follow the Plan!