

**The Leaders of the T&T Club  
thank you for allowing us the privilege of working with your child.**

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are very pleased to have your child in Truth and Training (T&T) this year! It is a privilege to work together with you in the spiritual, mental, social, and physical training of your child.

In addition to this handout, parents are encouraged to read the Parents Guide document on this website or available from the AWANA Commander, Brad Golmon (662-832-4045, bgolmon@gmail.com). If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact the AWANA Commander or T&T Director, Corie Miller 662-638-9454.

T&Ts will begin at 5:45 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday with check in starting at 5:30pm. Clubbers are to go directly to the Opening Ceremony in the in the church sanctuary. For safety reasons, we require parents, or another adult you designate, to pick up your child promptly at 7:30pm. No child will be allowed to leave with any person at any point of the night if that person is not on the designated pick-up list. T&T Girls can be picked up on the 3rd floor above the church office while T&T Boys are picked up at the CLC.

Looking forward to a wonderful year!

Your Child's T&T Directors,  
Corie Miller

## **What is AWANA and the T&T program?**

AWANA is a program designed to accomplish several goals, all while having loads of fun! AWANA stands for “**Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed!**” This first goal of AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ! The second goal of AWANA is to train them to serve Him.

The T&T club is for children in third grade through sixth grade. Third and 4th graders wear a green/white uniform while 5th and 6th graders wear a blue/white uniform. Uniforms are worn to show grade and to display awards! So how do children get these awards? Awards are achieved through a variety of methods. Mainly they are earned through completing work in their handbooks. Each clubber will be given a handbook. It is important to bring the handbook every week! Individual clubber points are also earned for coming prepared by wearing their uniform, bringing his or her Bible, dues, and completing handbook sections. Clubbers are also rewarded with AWANA bucks for doing handbook sections AWANA bucks are a big deal! This is how they purchase items at AWANA Store Nights. FUN!

**Club nights include three components: Council Time, Game Time, and Handbook Time.**

**Council Time** immediately follows open assembly in the church sanctuary. Council Time involves praise singing, calling out awards, and a message. Messages are centered on answering key questions to clubbers lives and their spiritual growth and in-depth studies on missions and first-hand experiences of missionaries. This time is led by the AWANA directors, pastors, and an occasional special guest.

**Game Time** is spent on the front lawn or in the CLC. Game time is a fundamental component of AWANA. Clubbers compete in specific AWANA Games designed for fun and to challenge their ability to apply God’s word that they learned in Handbooks. WEAR TENNIS SHOES TO CLUB AND GIRLS SHOULD NOT WEAR SKIRTS!!

**Handbook Time**, is by far, my favorite! We are able to devote this time to helping children hide God’s Word in their hearts. This is a special small group time spent with AWANA leaders. Remember, our first goal of AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ. Our second is to train them to serve Him! Handbook time is our chance to focus on just that.

Be looking for your AWANA calendar for more information on dates for special activities.

## **CALLING ALL PHILIPS!**

As you recall, one of our goals in AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ! One way we want to achieve this goal is by inviting friends to AWANA. Each year we offer clubbers the opportunity to receive the “Philip” award. This award is given to the clubber who is the first to bring 5 friends to AWANA. This award is named after Philip in John 1 because when he was faced with a complicated objection by Nathaneal, he did not argue, he just invited Nathaneal to come and see Jesus. That’s all we ask kids to do, just bring their friends learn about Jesus at AWANA. Please encourage your children to invite friends! We all have people in our lives that

influence us. It is these experiences, these influences that mold us and shape us into who we are! Let us help us show our children how to be the positive influence our world needs.

### **About the T&T Materials...**

The T&T Handbooks are each age-graded books and each has a different theme. Handbooks provide Bible memorization curriculum and other Bible centered activities.

**Start Zone:** The T&T entrance booklet is called the Start Zone. Children receive the Start Zone to start each year. Upon completion, your child is an official member of the T&T club and can purchase their uniform and handbook at that time. See Parent's Guide for prices.

**Handbooks:** There are four handbooks, Grace in Action, Evidence of Grace, Agent of Grace and Ultimate Challenge Two. Each handbook consists of multiple sections. Your child works at their own pace through the handbook, completing each section in order. Failure to complete a handbook section after two weeks will result in the clubber being held out of game time. Generally speaking, to complete a book requires about one section per Awana night for the first three and between two and three a night for the last book.

**Supplemental/Extra credit Work:** If your child completes their handbook and is not able to go on to the next handbook due to their grade level there is extra credit work available. The Handbooks have Silver and Gold extra-credit activities that can be completed in any order but clubbers are encouraged to finish one color before moving on to the second color. They can also review their book.

**Requirements for Memory Work:** T&Ts must pass a section with no more than 2 helps or prompts. They must say both the reference and the verse in order.

**Dues:** Clubbers are expected to bring 50¢ dues each week which teaches the principle of tithing and these funds cover the cost of awards.

### **T&T Calendar**

Registration is August 14, 2019

Club begins August 21, 2019

Award ceremony is Wednesday, May 13, 2020

### **AWANA WILL NOT MEET:**

October, 31, 2018

November 27, 2019

December 25, 2019

January 1, 2020

March 11, 2020

### **AWANA Theme Song**

Firmly AWANA stands, led by the Lord's command  
Approved workmen are not ashamed, Boys and girls for His service claimed  
Hail AWANA on the march for youth, Hail AWANA Holding forth the truth  
Building lives on the Word of God, AWANA stands  
Our Savior following, with steps unflinching, And love unflinching, His praise we sing  
His banner over us, in service glorious, We'll fight victorious for Christ our King  
YOUTH ON THE MARCH!!

### **T&T Theme Song**

I am off on the ultimate adventure, Trusting Jesus all along the way  
To the truth of God's word I surrender, no matter where I am from day to day  
In the sky, under sea, in the wild, Christ with me  
Here at home, around the world., His love is clear to see.  
Won't you come along with me on the ultimate adventure

I will train for the mission He has for me.  
I trust in Him to give the victory.  
as I read His word and pray, He gives direction  
As I follow Him each and every day  
In the sky, under sea, in the wild, Christ with me  
Here at home, around the world., His love is clear to see.  
Won't you come along with me on the ultimate adventure

### **Pledge to the Bible**

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word, I will make it a lamp unto my feet, and a light  
unto my path. I will hide its words in my heart that I might not sin against God.

### **AWANA Cheer**

Leader: "What does AWANA stand for?"  
Clubbers: "Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed!"  
Leader: "What is the 1st goal of AWANA?"  
Clubber:" To reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ!"  
Leader: "What is the 2nd goal of AWANA?"  
Clubber: "To train them to serve Him!"