# San Bernardino 16th Street SDA Church

# FAMILY MINISTRY COORDINATOR (Marriage Champions)

### **PURPOSE**

The family ministry coordinator serves as the overall leader for family ministries and particularly for the marriage component. This individual(s) will be spiritually mature, humble, godly and desire to help families inside and outside of the church as we "Establish the Kingdom of God in San Bernardino". The strength of the church is based in the spiritual life of its members and families. God expects families to have mutually satisfying relationships. Family Ministries focuses on people in relationship. It is a ministry that provides critical connections and tools for couples, parents and children, single adults and all members of the wider family circle as they pass through life's predictable stages and confront unexpected changes in their lives.

#### **RESPONSIBLE TO:**

Youth & Family Life Pastor

#### **MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **1.** *Needs assessment.* Work with the pastor to survey the needs of the church: couples, single persons, single parents, children, teens, young adults, mature adults, etc., finding which topics are of interest to them.
- **2.** *Program development.* The family ministries coordinator works in cooperation with other church leaders to implement family life programs.
- **3.** Chairs the family ministries committee. As chairperson it is your responsibility not only to put together an agenda and moderate the discussions, but to facilitate times of personal sharing, prayer and learning.
- **4.** *Family advocate.* The family ministries coordinator sits on the church board and should represent the needs and concerns of family life there.
- **5.** *Information source.* The congregation will depend on you as a primary source of information about ministry. It would be a good idea for you to begin to construct a list of Christian counselors to whom you can feel confident making referrals.

#### **Other Duties**

- Provide overall vision for this ministry to families inside and outside of the church
- Serve as the "champion" for family matters to ensure that ministry happens
- Recruit other members to serve as members and leaders
- Schedule plan and lead meetings
- Provide classes, seminars, training on a variety of issues affecting marriage & parenting
- Give direction to others that are serving in marriage and family
- Work with the pastoral staff to ensure that family ministries in integral and active within the mission and vision of the church
- Coordinate other activities such as seminars, retreats, outreach activities to target the greater community in "Establishing the Kingdom of God in San Bernardino"

### TIME REQUIRMENTS

4-6 HOURS PER MONTH

# <u>TERM</u>

1 YEAR

#### TRAINING AND RESOURCES

FAMILY.ADVENTIST.ORG (gc)
ADVENTISTFAMILYMINISTRIES.COM (nad)
SECCFAMILY.ADVENTISTFAITH.ORG (conference)

# **QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND GIFTS**

- ✓ Understand God's word as it relates to families
- ✓ Possess a passion for strengthening and supporting marriages and families
- ✓ Leadership potential
- ✓ Ability to care for and communicate well with others
- ✓ Has a personal and vibrant relationship with Jesus
- ✓ Commits to a personal lifestyle that allows God to work in their life
- ✓ Is compassionate toward people and is dependable
- ✓ Possesses the gifts of administration, exhortation, and pastor/shepherd
- ✓ Should be a solid and maturing Christian

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Family Ministries seeks to strengthen, inspire hope, and bring healing to marriages, families, and individuals through the abundant love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Prepare families for the Kingdom of God to help hasten the coming of Jesus Christ.

