



T&T Parents Guide

A resource for parents of T&T clubbers at Countryside Bible Church

We are excited to have your child in T&T this year! It is a privilege to be part of your child's spiritual growth and education.

This handbook is designed to give you helpful information you will need to have a successful year. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.

T&T meets as a part of our Awana club every Sunday evening, from September to May, unless otherwise noted on the Awana Calendar. When you arrive, get your and your child's nametag and security tag and take them to the gym.

Clubbers can be dropped off beginning at 5:40 pm for games and FastTrack. Club begins at 6:00 pm and ends at 7:30 pm.

Be sure to have the security tag when picking up your child from our upstairs room.

We are looking forward to a fun and wonderful year!

For His Glory,

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About the T&T Program

T&T (Truth & Training) is a three-year weekly club program for students in 3rd through 5th Grade. There are separate T&T clubs for girls and boys during game time and small group sessions. The program features Scripture memorization, age-appropriate instruction from God's Word, and lots of fun! Our goal is to help reinforce the teaching parents do in the home and to assist parents in spiritually nurturing their children.

Nightly Schedule:

The weekly club time is broken down into several parts:

FasTTrack – 5:40 – 6:00 pm

Game Time – 6:00 – 6:20 pm

Large Group Time: 6:25 – 6:50 pm

Small Group Time: 6:55 – 7:20 pm

Closing/Announcements: 7:20 – 7:30 pm

Special Nights:

Throughout the year there are special nights to encourage extra participation by the clubbers. These include Bring-a-Friend Night, Crazy Hair Night, and more.

Baptism Services:

When the church has a baptism service, clubbers will often be watching the service through live stream. We think it is important for the clubbers to hear the testimonies of those that are obeying Jesus' commandment to be baptized and to hear how God used His Word to change their hearts and lead them to repentance. These services are a good time to discuss with your children their need of a Savior and the promise of forgiveness to all who repent and believe the Gospel.

Awana Store:

Clubbers earn Awana shares for completing sections, winning at certain games, participating in special nights and other ways. These shares are used to shop at the Awana store. Store nights are noted on the Awana calendar and clubbers get to spend their shares to buy treats, toys, and gifts for others.

Awana Awards:

Unit award patches will be given out after the end of each unit. The patches can be sewn on or ironed on, or you can use Badge Magic adhesive, available in the Awana Office.

Year-end awards for completing books are:

1. Alpha Award for 1st book completed
2. Excellence Award for 2nd book completed
3. Challenge Award for 3rd book completed

Other Activities:

Throughout the year, we also have a variety of other fun activities that are outside of club time. These include camping trips, special game nights, and service projects.

These activities will be primarily communicated through email and text, so please make sure we have an accurate email address and cell number on file.

About the T&T Materials

Awana T&T uses the “all-together” method. All clubbers will go through the same book and complete the same sections together throughout the year.

HANDBOOK: Grace in Action

This year all T&T clubbers will be working through Discovery of Grace. The handbook includes memory verses, Bible studies and activities that help clubbers explore deeper the truths presented in the books. Clubbers should complete the sections at home to be ready to recite the verses and show the activities to their leaders each week.

Rules for completing units:

- **Clubbers cannot go ahead of the schedule.** If a clubber misses a week, we recommend they complete the section for the week they will be back in club. They can catch up on previous sections at any time.
- Leaders will give a maximum 2 helps per section. (A help is up to 3 words).
- All verses in a section should be said at one time without looking at the book again.
- The Gold and Silver sections are recommended for clubbers looking for more challenge. Clubbers will receive 3 shares for Silver sections and 8 shares for Gold sections completed during FastTrack. If the clubber completes that during small group time, they will receive 1 share for Silver and 5 shares for Gold.

FastTrack

To help the small group discussion time to be more effective, we have a FastTrack from 5:40 to 6:00 each club night. During this time, assigned leaders will listen to the verse (or verses) from that night's section.

Clubbers will only be given about 1 minute for each verse, so the goal is for the verses to be solidly memorized to be completed for FastTrack.

As a reward for coming early and completing the verse during FastTrack, clubbers will receive bonus shares for all sections completed in FastTrack.

Tips on How Parents Can Help

- 1. Help your child learn the verses in the handbook.**

- Establish a regular time to work with them.
- Verses should be done at home and the verse (and any review verses) should be solidly memorized BEFORE coming to T&T.
- You can find T&T Parents resources online to help you review and discuss your clubber as they complete their books.

<https://www.awana.org/ttresourcebundle>

Suggestions for Memorizing

- Say the verse together, one phrase at a time.
- Write out the verse.
- Explain what the verse means.
- Show them how the verse relates to their life.
- Stream or purchase the audio CD to follow along.

2. Bring your child to club on time and in uniform

- Find a special place at home to keep your child's book and uniform, so it can always be found on Sunday night.
- Be sure your child wears the uniform to club. The uniform is where their awards are displayed and helps to motivate them with a sense of belonging.
- Bring your child to club on time, so we can begin and end promptly.
- We will have a Game Time, usually in the gym, every meeting. We recommend wearing appropriate footwear to avoid injury.

3. Pay attention to the Awana calendar

- Details about club meetings are available on the church website calendar or on a PDF calendar that can be printed at countrysidebible.org/awana
- The section schedule and specific T&T activities are stapled to your clubber's book and emailed out to parents for the fridge.
- Remind your kids about special nights and encourage their participation (Sno-cone bring-a- friend night, etc.)

4. Get involved in T&T

If your family regularly attends Countryside, we'd love to talk with you about serving in T&T. We also love for all parents to participate in our various parent/child activities throughout the year!