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Kids Care supports kids with disabilities and additional needs ages birth – Grade 5 so that they and their grown-ups can attend church and know Jesus!

...God will take **delight**  
in you with gladness.  
With his love, he will  
**calm** all your fears.  
He will rejoice over  
you with **joyful** songs.  
Zephaniah 3:17

### Three Key Areas of Focus:

- Demonstrate God's great delight for the child and family with every interaction.
- Help create safe, calming environments and transitions that put the child at ease to participate.
- Celebrate each child's unique strengths to help them enjoy worship, learning and friendships.

Campuses offer volunteer support for kids with disabilities and additional needs within our early childhood (Kid-O-Deo) and elementary (Elevate) ministries. Through an inclusive model—utilizing the same space, large group leaders, and curriculum—and the appropriate volunteer support, our goal is to make it possible for kids with disabilities and additional needs to participate fully with peers in their grade level. We want all kids to learn that they are highly valued and delighted in.

## Volunteer Support

- **Room Assistant Volunteer**  
A room assistant is **scheduled for each service** in the larger group settings (pre-K–kindergarten, grades 1-5) to support the large group leader by specifically overseeing kids that may need basic help with attention, sensory needs, redirection, or social interaction. They relate with the kids and are available to interact with parents at pick-up.
- **Side-by-Side Volunteer**  
Side-by-side volunteers are uniquely matched up with interested families for a child that would benefit from a 1:1 volunteer based on higher physical, developmental, or behavioral needs. A side-by-side volunteer **works with the family directly** and will meet



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the child for the service to be present with him/her from start to finish, creatively plotting best practices for inclusion. *This includes an intake process.*

Volunteer support is available at two designated service times, at each campus, with one Saturday and one Sunday service option.