

# **Parent Manual**

# 2025-2026

#### **Byron Center Bible Church**

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Dear Parents,

We cannot wait to get to know you and your child during this coming year. Truth Trackers is a program designed to focus our children on God, and we feel so privileged to serve you in this capacity. Our goal is to give your child an exciting program that will strengthen their desire to learn more about God and grow in their relationship with Him. This booklet is designed to answer your questions about our Truth Trackers program and give you some important information about the year ahead. If however, you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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#### **Truth Trackers Leadership Team**

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### Welcome

Welcome to Truth Trackers! You will make new friends, play exciting games, enjoy challenging contests, earn awards, and learn a lot! If you have older siblings, please invite them to come along: Youth Group (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) is also on Wednesday nights, let us know if you need contact info for that group.

Club	Age	
Tiny Trackers	3 – 5 (Must be 3 years old by September 1, 2025)	tiny
Scripture Spies	1st – 3rd grade	Scriptore
Faith Force	4th – 6th grade	*

### What is Truth Trackers?

Truth Trackers is a tax-exempt, non-for-profit ministry that provides educational tools to equip churches and parents to systematically and intentionally evangelize and disciple children. Our passion is to inspire and aid parents and churches in the discipleship of children with God-centered materials that teach doctrinal truth through Scripture memory, daily devotions, and weekly lessons. We say it this way: Truth Trackers uses Bible Memory, Bible Devotions, and Bible Lessons to help children LOCK-IN truth and LIVE-OUT faith.

#### Dues

\$25 per child, \$75 Family Max

Dues help supplement the cost of Truth Trackers materials. They also help pay for all book awards, prizes, game supplies, and much more.

If this cost would prevent your child(ren) from participating, please reach out to any of the staff or the Church office and we will get you set up.

#### Truth Trackers Calendar 2025-2026

	3	Parent Night!
September	10	Regular Club
	17	Crazy Hair Night
	24	Regular Club
	1	Bring a Friend
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	8	No Club
October	15	Michigan/Michigan State Night
	22	Regular Club
	29	Regular Club
	F	Crowy Sools Night
	ວ	Crazy Sock Night
1 November	12	Regular Club
	19	Camo Night
	26	No Club (Thanksgiving Break)
	3	Hat Night
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	10	Regular Club
December	17	Red/Green Night
	24	No Club (Christmas Break)
	31	No Club (Christmas Break)

Participate in the Theme Nights to earn points for your team!

	7	Night of Halves
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January	21	Pajama Night
	28	Regular Club
	4	SOUPer Bowl Drive
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February		Regular Club
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	25	Regular Club
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	4	Summer Night
March		Summer Night Regular Club
March	11	-
March	11 <b>18</b>	Regular Club
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#### **Snow Days**

- Please Note: "The weather policy is that even if schools are closed, the leadership will determine whether to cancel or not. This is determined between 3:00-5:00 PM. An e-mail will be sent out to let you know if there is a cancellation. Cancellation information will be on TV Channels 8 & 13 as well."
- The email notification will be sent to the email address you provided on the registration form. Please be sure to check your spam folder.
- If you're unsure, please call someone on the Truth Trackers Leadership Team as the church secretary may not be in the office.
- In the event of a snow day, clubbers can record their section(s) on video and text it to the director or secretary of their club. This is only for snow days unless otherwise approved.

## My child must stay home if..





They have a fever of 100.4 or higher.



They have vomited in the past 24 hours.



They have had diarrhea in the past 24 hours.



They have an unidentified rash.



head lice.



They have an eye infection.

#### **MY CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN:**

They are free of fever 24 hours without fever reducing medication.

They are free of vomiting for 24 hours. They are free of diarrhea for 24 hours. Rash is cleared or a doctor has confirmed its not contageous. They have been effectively treated and are free of lice and nits. They have been treated at least 24 hours prior.

## **Club** Rules

In order to have a safe, enjoyable, and orderly environment for all the children, our Truth Trackers Club has established some rules. Our leaders will enforce these rules, and it would be very helpful to us if you would remind your clubber that we expect them to be followed.

- Respect and obey your leaders and other staff members.
- Take part in the entire night unless you've brought a note from your parents or are excused by your club director.
- Remain with your leaders at all times during club.
- Remain in the church building at all times.
- Gym shoes are a must for safety reasons.
- No use of foul language or gestures.
- No kicking, hitting, tripping, rough housing, fighting, etc.
- Do not bring balls/toys with you from home.

### Security

The security of your children is very important to us. All of our workers have passed background checks and should always be wearing a shirt or name tag identifying them as Truth Trackers workers.

We welcome you to visit the club at any time; however, please do your best to not disturb the clubbers so the night can run with as few distractions as possible.

Check-In policy:

- All clubbers must be checked in by an *approved adult* each night of Truth Trackers at the main double doors of the auditorium. This means your child cannot check themselves or their siblings in.
- This is required so we know who is in the building.

#### Check-Out policy:

- Tiny Trackers must be checked out by an approved adult from the Tiny Trackers room.
- Scripture Spies and Faith Force Clubbers must be checked out by an approved adult at the main double doors of the auditorium.
- This is required so we ensure all clubbers return to their approved adults.

### How You Can Help

Parents & Guardians – You are important in helping your child enjoy the Truth Trackers program. Here are a few of our suggestions:

- Help your child attend Truth Trackers every week. Faithful attendance helps to build friendships, and enables the clubber to achieve awards.
- Be sure to arrive on time. Truth Trackers starts promptly at 6:45. <u>You may not drop your child off</u> <u>before 6:30.</u>
- Encourage your child to learn the Bible verses during the week at home. If they study consistently each week, they should be able to finish their book by the end of the year to earn their book award.
- Make sure your child wears their club shirt and brings their book and Bible each week. This instills a pride in their club and helps earn points for their teams.
- To ensure the safety of all children, please follow dismissal procedures for all clubs.
- Please pick your clubber up no later than 8:20.
- Make sure to have a permission form filled out for your child. This form must be filled out by the parent/guardian in order for the child to play games after his/her first week.

## **Nightly Schedule**

All clubs meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 – 8:15pm Please **do not drop your clubber off before 6:30.** This allows our directors and leaders to prepare and set up their rooms for the evening. If you do arrive early, it may be beneficial to take the time outside to review your child's verses with them.

Tiny Trackers	
6:45	Drop-Off in Auditorium - Opening
7:00	Game Time
7:25	Song and Story Time
7:45	Book, Snack, and Play Time
8:15	Pick-up in Cubbie Room

Scripture Spies	
6:45	Drop-Off in Auditorium - Opening
7:00	Lesson
7:25	Book Time
7:50	Game Time
8:15	Pick-up In Auditorium

Faith Force	
6:45	Drop-Off in Auditorium - Opening
7:00	Large Group Time
7:25	Game Time
7:50	Small Group Time
8:15	Pick-up in Auditorium

This handbook has information for the Truth Trackers year of 2025-2026. Please keep it in a place where you can reference it often.