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Greetings from the Young Family Task Force

Dear friends,

We are members of the Young Family Task Force, a team assembled in 2019 with the goal to help develop families into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. We have a responsibility to equip parents and grandparents for their role as faith nurturer to their children. We are devoted to helping children build solid Biblical foundations. Prior to the COVID19 pandemic, we supported events such as Parenting with Love and Logic, movie nights, concerts and picnics. This past year, members of our team contributed to church wide events such as our annual Harvest Drive Through event, the new Christmas Drive Through along with multiple online devotionals and lessons.



Currently, we recommend using some really uplifting and thoughtful resources offered by Creekside including free access to the biggest video Bible study library in the world, RightNow Media (check out creeksideeg.com/resources to create a login) and an online parenting workshop called Parenting in Coronaville. (creeksideeg.com/kids) We are also planning for the annual Ultimate Marriage Weekend on August 13-15 at scenic Lake Tahoe. (details to come)

CAN WE COLLABORATE?

We are all about collaboration. We invite you to send in your thoughts and ideas on what we can do to improve our outreach and ministry to young families. Brainstorm with us and we would love to hear from you. Send us suggestions by email to michael.s@creeksideeg.com.

Encouragement and Hope

After almost a year in various levels of sheltering, we look forward to a time when we can meet again and can interact within 6 feet of each other, share a meal, and have our kids play together unhindered. Two verses in the Bible offer all of us encouragement and hope:

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. (Lamentations 3:22-23)



Get to know us

We would love for you to get to know us better. Here are a few words from each of the members of the Young Family Task Force. Blessings to you and your family.

Shelby Arriaga



I have been working on staff at Creekside as Children's Ministry Event Admin Assistant for 4 years, heading up the Awana ministry and other children's events. Last year, I was brought on full time to also serve as 5th and 6th Grade Coordinator, leading our preteen ministry. My heart is to engage in relational discipleship, watching God work through the little moments in shaping young people to fully know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

Earl Estep



I have been at Creekside for about 5 years. I have been serving in the Pastoral Care group for about 2 of those years. In November of 2020 I stepped into the role of leading the Men's Ministry here at Creekside. Prior to coming to Creekside I had served in many areas of ministry from youth work, to leading Children's church, to directing outreach to serving on church boards and church staff. Also, after receiving my degree and being ordained I pioneered and pastored two churches in Texas.

Lindy Giesser



I have been blessed to be the Shining Stars Preschool Director here at Creekside for 22 years. My passion is to be an advocate for children and their families. I have three married daughters, (three handsome sons), and four grandchildren.

Matt Rau



I grew up attending Creekside from the nursery until graduating high school, then (after moving away for 10 years) I joined the staff as the Junior High Pastor in May of 2018. Over this summer I got married and shortly after my role at Creekside shifted to be the Interim Student Ministries Pastor. My desire is help to advance our efforts of equipping families and this next generation to know Jesus, love Him wholeheartedly, and serve faithfully as ambassadors for His Kingdom in our hurting world.

Michael Sim



My family and I have been worshipping Jesus at Creekside since 2008. My wife, Sarah, and I have two sons, Martin (age soon to be 14) and Jared (age 9). I work part time at Creekside in an administrative role specifically to connect, grow, serve and reach our young families. Outside of Creekside, I also am a physician working part time at UC Davis Health.

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