"In the formations of character, no other influences count so much as the influence of the home. The teacher's (Adventurer leaders too) work should be to supplement that of the parents, but not to take its place. In all that concerns the well-being of the child, it should be the effort of the parents and teachers to co-operate."

Ellen White, Education Chapter 33

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT – ADV 106

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Benefits of parents/caregivers working with Adventurers

How to get busy parents/caregivers involved

Good communication Be respectful
Ask for their ideas Get to know them
Match abilities and interests Show appreciation

Parent/Caregiver Pin

Ideas of what to give it for and when

How to get to know the parents/caregivers and help them know others Social events Family game nights Adv/Church Newsletter

Family Network

Resource - "Help, I'm a Parent" - NAD Family Ministry

## Summary

Is it really important for parents/caregivers to be involved?

Parent/caregiver involvement benefits the Club by:Making a stronger, better organized and more creative club

But most important they demonstrate to their children that the Adventurer Club is important enough for them to volunteer their time and talent.

This in turn, lets children know that their families are interested in their interest and that their happiness matters.

Just as the Adventurer Club's purpose is to support parents and caregivers – parents and caregivers can support their children in the Adventurer Club.

The families grow stronger together as a family but more importantly they grow closer to God





## Sample Parent and Caregivers Interest Survey

A central part of our Adventurer Program is supporting parents and caregivers as they raise children to be followers of Christ in today's world. We want to bring families closer together. To do this your Adventurer leadership team invites you to participate be the club. To help us better know how you would like to be involved and how much time you can contribute, please complete the following survey and return it to			
by Thank you.			
A. Circle each of the ways you would be willing to participate during the Adventurer Club meeting:			
Play Tea Telli		Leading a game or activity Assisting with small groups Providing refreshments Helping clean-up Other	
B. Circle each of the additional ways you would be willing to participate with the Adventurer Club:			
Edit Con Beir Sho Find Help	Fund-raising Editing an Adventurer parent and caregivers newsletter Contributing articles, recipes or other information for the newsletter Being part of a phone tree or text team for last minute information Shopping for program materials Finding donors for program materials Helping prepare materials for crafts and other meeting activities Other		
C. What are your hobbies and interests?.			
	at areas of expertise can you offer? We'rd d to preparing a budget	e interested in everything from how to make a great	
E. How much time can you spend participating in your Adventurer Club?  Regularly (one-two hours per week)  Occasionally (one hour a month)  Other			

Remember – parents/caregivers are part of the Adventurer Club and should be present with their child at all meetings.