



Together We Shape the Next Generation

Dear TC Family,

Sometimes in life we pass by things we should pause and reflect upon—a sunset, a kind word from a friend, a sermon that touches our heart but never quite sinks in. Reflection uncovers the treasures God is placing before us. Sometimes it's important to stop, listen, and pray.

Right now, at Turlock Christian, something is happening that is worth pausing for. This year, our Elementary Chapel theme is “**Jesus: Creator, Savior, Teacher, and Friend.**” Week by week, your child is being invited to see Jesus not as a distant figure, but as the One who shapes every thought, word, and action - their Savior and their Friend.

Your student is also participating in worship. Oh, what a wonderful thing collective worship is—what a sweet sound to the Lord! All those energetic little voices lifted together in praise. Worship draws us into His presence. As Jesus said in Matthew 19:14,

***“Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them;
for such is the kingdom of Heaven.”***

This opportunity, corporate chapel and worship, honoring God openly and speaking His truth into the lives of children, is a privilege found exclusively on Christian campuses. Here, your child is not only allowed but invited to encounter Jesus in community. Christian education matters. It is important and necessary because it provides space for the Holy Spirit to move freely, for the Bible to be taught without compromise, and for children to see faith modeled daily.

Jesus also said in John 13:15, “*I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.*” What greater gift could you give your student than to show them His example and teach them to walk in His ways? The world is full of pitfalls and trials, but here at TC we are equipping your child with the knowledge of who Jesus is, His great love for them, and the armor of Christ.

That's where you come in. We invite you to be part of what God is doing:

- **Pray:** that the Holy Spirit would be present and speaking through our staff and that the evil one would have no foothold on our campus.
- **Ask:** talk with your child about Chapel each week; ask what they learned and how they felt when they worshiped Jesus.
- **Attend:** if you're able, come experience Chapel yourself. Your presence encourages your child and strengthens our community.

Each week our theme points back to the foundation of our faith:

- **Jesus Creator:** *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God"* (John 1:1). Your child is made in His image for His purpose.
- **Jesus Savior:** *"For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved"* (John 3:17). The Almighty Creator loves your child and wants a relationship with him or her.
- **Jesus Teacher:** *"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me"* (John 14:6). His teaching leads your child to eternal life.
- **Jesus Friend:** *"And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age"* (Matthew 28:20b). The truest Friend, always present, loving and walking with your child.

At TC, we fight the good fight together. We study Christ. We pour out love on one another. We believe that raising children in His ways is not optional, it is essential.

So tonight, pause. Reflect on the work God is doing in your child's life. Pray for their heart to be steadfast. And join us, because nothing matters more than guiding the next generation to be more like our Savior.

In **Faith, Family, and Future**, I stand,

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