



Welcome to AWANA Clubs at Ingleside!

Thank you for being part of our AWANA Club.

Please read carefully over the information below which will help you get the most out of Awana this year.

**What does Awana stand for?**

Awana is an acronym that stands for **A**pproved **W**orkmen **A**re **N**ot **A**shamed. It comes from II Timothy 2:15 which states, "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth."

**What time does Awana begin and end?**

Parents need to escort their children to the Xtreme Zone area at 6:00 p.m. and check in at one of the computer kiosks to obtain nametags and pick-up tags. We have an optional gym time with organized games from 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Children will be picked up from the Xtreme Zone at 7:40 p.m. Parents will need to show a parent pick-up tag each week. Middle and high schoolers can pick up their younger siblings **ONLY** if they have the pick-up tag which corresponds to the nametag received at check-in that night.

**What is Awana?**

The goal of the Awana program is to "reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ and train them to serve Him." This goal is reached by students memorizing Scriptures each week under the guidance of a leadership team that is ready, committed, and willing to help children discover what it means to be fully-devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

As students learn sections from the handbook, they will be rewarded through Awana shares. Children can also earn shares through a variety of other ways (see below). These shares are then traded for items in our popular Awana store. Each grade level will visit the Awana store 3 times during the school year.

Each handbook will also include a weekly schedule that will map out the exact verses and sections that your child will need to know for each week. If you miss a week, you may pick up with the verse that correlates with the date, so no one will feel behind. You may go back and make up days that are missed. This will help parents and children have a clear understanding of what each night in Awana will look like.

Please work with your child each week in memorizing verses. If your child is unable to study, there's no need to feel left out. Our leadership team will work with students in memorizing the verses for the week. The bottom line – Awana is an awesome opportunity to learn and memorize Scripture.

We will have multiple nights throughout the Awana year dedicated to special events. Some of those include evenings where we *do not* have Awana (Fall Family Festival, Big Wednesdays, etc.), while other nights are special because of what's taking place specifically at Awana (Theme Night, Christmas Party, Awana Celebration). Regardless of what night it is, we look forward to seeing you each week!

**What earns my child shares?**

Attendance	1 share
Bible brought	5 shares
Handbook brought	2 shares
Ingleside shirt worn	1 share
Each section passed	10 shares
Initials of parent on section page	2 shares
First time visitor	10 shares
Guest brought	10 shares
Theme night participation	10 shares
Bonus for reciting previous section	2 shares

The Children's Ministry staff at Ingleside is looking forward to a great year working with your family. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the Children's Ministry office at 478.477.7251. Please let us know how we can serve you!

**Are there any costs involved?**

Handbooks	\$15
Family limit	\$40

*\*If your family is not able to fully afford Awana materials or a Bible, please contact a Children's Ministry staff member who can help you secure them.*