





THANK YOUFOR SAYING YES

I am absolutely thrilled for the part you play in introducing a child to Jesus. I am 100% convinced that everyone has a part to play.

I love what David wrote in Psalm 71:17-18.

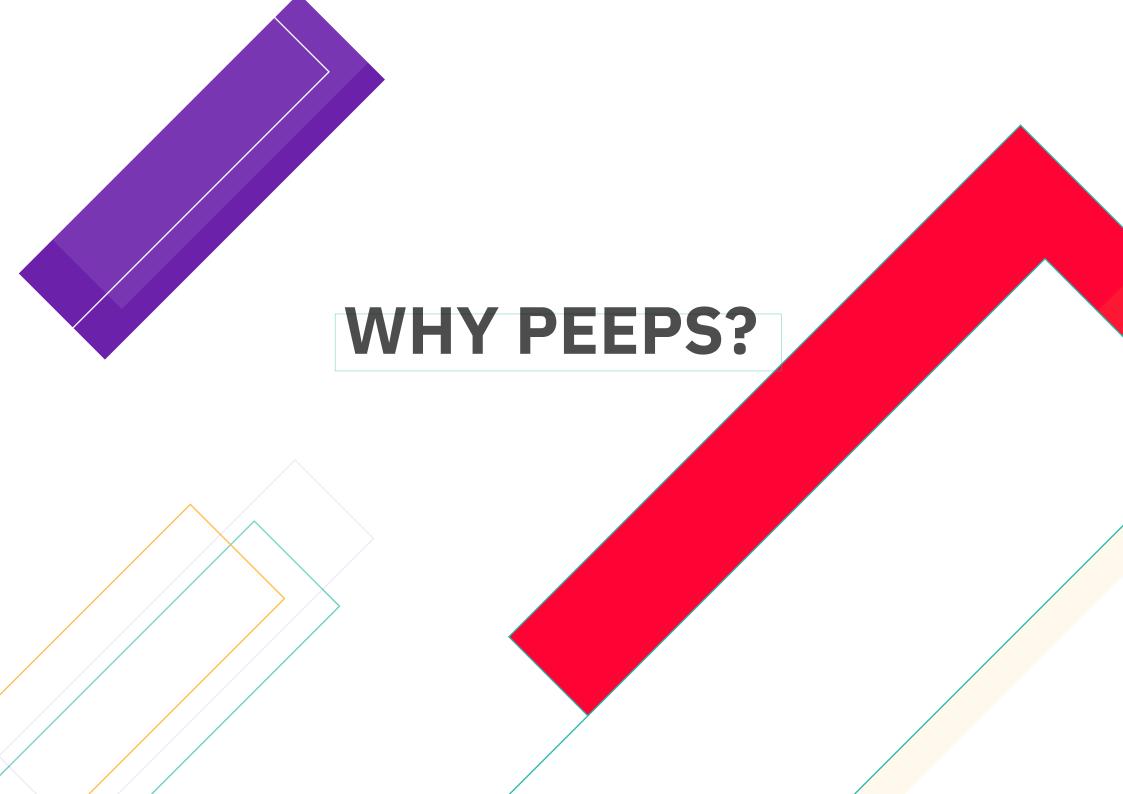
"Since my youth, God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds. Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come."

You may not be, "old and gray", but you are older than a child and have more experience. **ALL OF US** have a part to play and can introduce a child to the Jesus and show a child the true power of a living God.

Thank you for joining Peoples Church's vision of reaching the next generation. Thank you for saying **YES** to an exciting and important ministry and for listening to and obeying the voice of God. Thank you for introducing a child to Jesus. The Peeps team and I are looking forward to serving together.

Pastor Derek / Children's Pastor





KIDS NEED A SOLID SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION

We go through stages of life that require different methods of learning. Kids are in a beautiful stage in which they are open to hearing and receiving truth. They are curious and desire to learn. Peeps, builds up the child's spiritual foundation that will produce fruit.

KIDS ARE THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

Today they seem irresponsible, but they will be the next generation of church leaders, community leaders, and world changers. By introducing them to Jesus early in their lives they can be more effective for the kingdom in the future. Invest in them today and impact generations of adults in the future.

KIDS ARE FORMING RELATIONSHIPS

Life happens in relationships. Peeps and Peoples Church is the greatest place for a child to form Godly friendships and learn from other grownups and leaders. Peeps is the place for these Christ-centered friendships form.

KIDS NEED TO BE INTRODUCED TO JESUS

We love to share about Jesus' love to a child and it doesn't matter their age. We have the privilege of watching a child's relationship with God grow and develop. When we love kids unconditionally and show them that they are important, we introduce them to Jesus.

What we do today will have a lasting impact on the future and our children are the present and future of the church. Let's go and change the world!

PURPOSE

Partner with the child's family to lead children into an authentic relationship with Jesus.

STRATEGY - RISE

Reach All, Include All, Stand Up For All, and Embrace All.

OUTCOME

Follower of Jesus and a friend with each other.

MISSION

Creating access for all kids to know Jesus.

VISION

To be kids of all ages and races, who accept each other, and are growing in God.

CODE

We Keep It Safe
We Make It Fun
We Do It United
We Do It With Excellence

PEEPS CODE

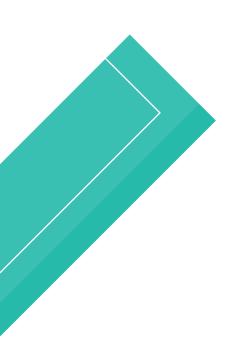
Safety is our first commitment. Without it ministry cannot happen. We realize the enormity of being entrusted with the care and instruction of children. All of the team has passed a background check and a short interview. Children will not be released to anyone not possessing the correct pick-up tag. Our classrooms are safe for your littlest ones to enjoy without worry or danger.

We understand if the child's grownup does not feel like their child is safe than they will not be able to focus on what God has for them. Their mind will be occupied with how their child is doing.

If it's not fun, why do it? Children should want to come to church because they know it's a fun place to be. This is why we create an experience that is engaging; meaning it is memorable, fun, interactive, interesting, and applicable to their lives. Peeps team members are passionate about children and love having fun with them while they introduce a child to Jesus. We want kids to beg to come back to Peeps.

Unity is a huge deal. We do it together! Black and white, young and old, we are united and will demonstrate God's love to kids because we are united. We will show a child that they are accepted and loved no matter what they are going through or where they come from. We want to show Jesus' love as we show love and acceptance towards one another.

Dreaming big and doing it with excellence is crucial to how we minister to kids. There are so many children and families who need to be reached. We're not sure we can dream large enough, but we are going to do everything we can through God's power to reach as many as possible. We want to change the world, our heart is global and it requires us to dream large and to do everything we can with excellence. Attention to detail and dreaming big honors God and inspires people.



RISE

Reach All

Jesus has instructed every person, no matter their age, to share His story with others. I will always be ready to serve God and give Him my best.

Include All

God created everyone. No one should be left out and alone. Life is better with friends and I will be a friend to all, just like Jesus.

Stand Up For All

Jesus cared about the "least of these," the ones who have no voice. I will help all people.

Embrace All

God first loved us by sending Jesus to be our Savior. Because of this I will show His love for me through others.

Providing environments that allow children to express their worship to God.

We believe in providing environments that capture children's imaginations and make it easy for them to explore who God is. We must be strategic about engaging our kids at every phase because they grow up too fast. As we prepare for ministry, we plan and evaluate through the following:

Relevant (Impacts Real Life)

Is the area attractive and well designed?
Is the selection of songs and lessons relevant to the group?
Is the content presented in a clear and understandable way?

Excellent (Our Best With What We Have)

Is the area clean and clutter free?
Is the Peeps Team prepared and properly resourced?

Engaging (Participation)

Does the music and message encourage children to participate? Are the areas comfortable to facilitate participation?

Creative (Awe-Inspiring)

Is the staging creative and unpredictable? Does our message represent a creative God?

PHASES

Partnering with Parents by providing resources and encouragement for their children at every phase.

We have split Peeps into 3 life phases. A phase is defined as a time frame in a kid's life where you have an opportunity to introduce them to Jesus. We believe that it take both the family and the church to disciple a child. Doing this together causes a life-changing relationship with Jesus to take place.



We Embrace their physical needs and give them a great 1st impression of Jesus. We show them that God cares about them and that they are safe.



We Guide their curiosity and allow them to see their uniqueness and that God created them.

The first 5 years of a child's life are fundamentally important. They are the foundational years that shape a child's future health, happiness, and growth. It is where they learn and achieve in the home, school, community, and life in general.



We Engage their interest and Introduce God as one who is personal and interested in their life. They can trust God with anything. They can make wise decision. They can treat others the way they want to be treated.

PREPARING CHILDREN FOR LIFE CHANGE

We whole-heartedly believe that a child's life can be changed when they are introduced to Jesus. This can happen at any age and they are on a journey to discover who Jesus is. Our job is to create experiences that enhance their introduction of Jesus. We do this best by creating age-specific learning opportunities.

Wee Peeps (Birth – 3)

We provide a warm loving environment where your child will feel comfortable and you will feel safe about leaving them while you attend a worship experience. Wee Peeps is a ministry, not just childcare, and we believe that children at even the earliest age can begin to learn about and understand God's love.

Peeps Jr. (4 Years Old)

Peeps Jr. provides your child with a more detailed impression of their heavenly Father and the wonder of His love for each one of them. Every day is a new discovery for this age and we are here to help them with all of their first questions about God.

Peeps (5 Years Old - 5th Grade)

Peeps combines high-energy activities with Bible-based teachings for all kids. They are able to connect with friends and engage with leaders, all in a life-giving atmosphere. With a combination of games, attention grabbing Bible lessons, and fun-filled songs which capture kid's attention, Peeps shows that living a life for Jesus is the best thing out there!

Our ultimate Goal in Peeps is that kids Love God, Others, Themselves, and the Church.



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