

Dear Britton Road Parents,

My name is Dudley. I teach Youth and Family Ministry at Oklahoma Christian University. I have been doing this since 1998. Before that I was a youth minister in Georgia and Tennessee for 25 years. I have been married to Vicki for 45 years. We have two sons, two great daughter-in-laws, and three little grand daughters.

Travis asked me to come and speak/teach some classes to parents and guardians. I do this at churches all over the country. I think people think I am an expert at something. While I don't claim to be an expert (especially in parenting), I have been a part of many rodeos as they say. We are blessed that our boys love Jesus and the church. They are raising their families to do as they were taught. I know this is not the case for everyone. I also know that I learn more about children and parenting and grand-parenting every week. It is an on-going process.

So I am not coming to your church to beat you up for being a not-so-good parent. I want to challenge you and me to be better parents and better spiritual parents for the children in our church. Below are my titles for the first four Sundays in September. I hope you will come and discuss, listen, contribute, ask, and learn together with the rest of us, how we can better carry out the commands we have from God to pass on our faith and to make "fruit that will last." I look forward to being with you. If you have some questions already, or something you would like me to address please email me ASAP.

Blessings,

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September 1 – Boomers, GenX, Millennials and GenZ. Why are all of us not that interested in church anymore? Is it a parenting problem, a Youth Ministry problem, or a faith problem in general?

Read Daniel 1-6 for next Sunday. Visit the following website this week – <http://www.cpyu.org>

September 8 – Living in a digital Babylon. This culture is eating our lunch.

Read the attached article FFE reviews for next Sunday.

September 15 – What are we as parents and the church doing right? Faith for Exiles.

September 22 – Your questions, thoughts, feedback. How do we finish strong?

See you soon.

Dudley