



# Synergy

**FAMILY + CHURCH**

**OCTOBER 14**

Events at Timber Lake: <http://timberlakechristian.org/events/>

October Children Highlighted Event: Super Start 10/11-12

October Youth Highlighted Event: Rapha House Lock-In 10/17-18

Family Events in the Community: <http://moberlymo.org/Parks/communityevents.html>

4 Let's Fill the Sky Kite Flying Day 2:00-4:00 p.m. Howard Hills Athletic Complex Bring your own kite. Free!

10 \$1 Movie Night 7:00 p.m. Municipal Auditorium \$1 Admission

18 Mother/Son Rocket Launch 2:00-4:00 p.m. Lodge in Rothwell Park Build and launch your own model rocket! \$10 per mother/Son Each additional Son \$3

30 Trick-or-Treat Trail 4:30-6:00 p.m. Ages 10 and Under Join us downtown on Reed Street! Bring your own bag or bucket!



## Calendar-News Resources

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Connecting you and your family with church

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### Milestones:

#1 Discipleship

#2 Early Years

#3 Teens

#4 Supporting Adulthood

#5 Legacy

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### This Month's Resource Pick:

<http://creativeconnectionsforkids.com/>

## TIMBER LAKE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1624 Gratz Brown  
Moberly, MO 65270  
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[www.timberlakechristian.org](http://www.timberlakechristian.org)

Sundays @ 9 & 10:45am

Wednesdays @ 6:30pm

\*Many other times/groups available

## A Parent's Plea: Perfect Father of all mankind, help.

Perfect Father of the first and second Adam, help me to parent these unique souls placed into my care.

May I not exasperate them.

May I not ignore them.

May I not withdraw from them.

May I not be worn down by them.

May I not retreat from the battle for their hearts.

May I not bear on them too hard or too long.

May I not ridicule or mock their forming hearts.

May I not dismiss or break their hopes.

Unique Father, Perfect Parent, help me to submit to you and grow up as Your child.

May I listen to them with discerning wisdom.

May I see beyond their "presenting problem" and peer into their hearts and souls.

May I have firmness and gentleness that never makes them fearful but always makes them safe.

May I have the patience of Job and the endurance of Paul no matter how long the journey.

May I love them until they know it.

May I help them until they can do it on their own.

May I equip them to handle Your Word.

May I encourage, build up, and nurture their faith to be more secure than mine.

May I have the humility to believe more for them than I did for me.

May I tell them and tell them and tell them of Your love for them.

May I place my comforts, wants, desires, dreams and longings aside to show them the kind of love You have for us.

May I be terrified and cautious knowing that I shape their view of You from the moment they came into my home to the moment they leave it.

O God, Perfect Father, Only God, help, for I am a desperately incapable man. Resolve my fear, my longing, my inadequacy, my flight and enable me to be your man to parent these precious souls.

-Michael J. Easley

### Parent Practice:

How often do you really listen to your kid(s)? Do you think you are really listening while you are doing laundry, reading your Facebook or watching TV? Test your listening skills: Get a partner and let them speak for 5 minutes without writing things down, interrupting, thinking about what you are going to say, or asking them to repeat anything. Repeat back what you heard. Ask the partner how accurate you heard what they were trying to tell you.

## Resources By Milestone

Thought-Provoking Quotes as a Resource to Reflect:

### #1 Discipleship

"Your child's self-image will depend on how well he or she believes in his or her unique design to fulfill a special purpose."

\*Maxine Marsolini

### #2 Early Years

"Make a 'what I like about you' list for each of your children and then share it."

"Here's a special thought: If all you are doing is discipline, somewhere along the way you lost your relationship with your son or daughter."

\*Tim Clinton

### #3 Teens

"In a world that moves our children from infants to adulthood in record time, I have learned to trust my instincts. I no longer allow others who don't have as much invested in my children as I do to dictate what is best for them."

\*Pamela J. Vincent

### #4 Supporting Adulthood

"Anger is ignited when the person perceives rejection or invalidation."

\*Les Carter and Frank Minirth

"The problem with anger is the direction in which it leads you. Or better stated, which direction you allow it to go."

\*Tim LaHaye and Bob Phillips

### #5 Legacy

"One of the best gifts you'll ever give your teens is to love and respect your mate in front of them."

"They will have to live with your decision."

\*Maxine Marsolini

\*Trusted Christian Counseling Experts