



Who Are We?

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This ministry was started in 1990 by parents and family members of a support group seeking to give aid to those who had young women in their families who were victims of trafficking.

Over the years what has become obvious is that many young people are vulnerable for a variety of reasons and many adults have found ways to take advantage of that vulnerability. So at this point the work of Adult Saving Kids is to prevent harm being done to young people by preparing their parents and grandparents to equip them with faith stories, support their identity in Christ through baptism and share with wise skills by which they can avoid the traps set for them. This includes child molesters, bullies, Internet pornographers, seducers, scammers, drug dealers, traffickers and domestic violators.

We believe parents and grandparents have three assignments from God which makes them irreplaceable in the lives of those growing up.

1. Pass on the faith (Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-25; Psalm 78:1-8; Ephesians 6:4)
2. Teach wisdom and shrewdness (Proverbs 1-7; Matthew 10:16)
3. Pray for each other (Ephesians 6:18, James 5:16)

What part do congregations play in this? Ephesians 4:11-16 says pastors and teachers are to equip the lay people for their ministries and by so doing, build up the body of Christ and not let the cunning to gain control. Verse 14.

Is there a need to protect and prepare young people for the world they face? See Statistics:

- 68 % of young men in America visit a pornographic site at least once a week.
- One out of three girls will be molested or raped by time they are 18, one out of six boys
- One out of four women will be abused by their husbands or mate
- Two out of five children are born to unmarried moms in the US.
- 33% of U.S. children live in a home without their birth father.
- 71 % of high school dropouts are from fatherless homes.
- Nearly 17 million adults in the U.S. suffer from alcoholism
- An estimated 41 % of first marriages end in divorce



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Resources of Adults Saving Kids

Book 1: Parents Arise, Grandparents Arise, Ten Challenges to Overcome to Safeguard Our Children

Book II: Parents Arise, Grandparents Arise, Ten Actions to Take to Safeguard Our Children

Loving Others By Praying for Them (26 weeks of daily intercessory prayers)

Wise As Serpents, A Six Lesson Course for Churches Teaching Youth to be Street Smart

Websites:

<https://adultssavingkids.org> - Includes articles, podcasts, videos

<https://parentsarise.org> - Includes curriculum, cartoons

<https://elca.org> - Reference Article "Commercial Sexual Exploitation" (Select Resources & then Search for "Commercial Sexual Exploitation").

From Martin Luther's Preface to the Large Catechism: If this were not enough to admonish us to read the Catechism daily, there is God's command. That alone should be incentive enough. Deuteronomy 6:7,8 solemnly enjoins that we should always meditate upon his precepts whether sitting, walking, standing, lying down, or rising, and keep them before our eyes and in our hands as a constant token and sign. Certainly, God did not require and command this so solemnly without reason. He knows our danger and need. He knows the constant and furious attacks and assaults of the devil. So he wishes to warn, equip, and protect us against them with good "armor" against their "flaming darts," and with a good antidote against their evil infection and poison. O what mad, senseless fools we are! We must ever live and dwell in the midst of such mighty enemies as the devils, and yet we despise our weapons and armor, too lazy to give them a thought!

The Estate of Marriage, volume 45 of Luther's Works

Most certainly father and mother are apostles, bishops and priests to their children, if they make them acquainted with the gospel. In short, there is no greater or nobler authority on earth than that of parents over their children, for this authority is both spiritual and temporal.

Matthew 10:16 Jesus said, "See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise (prudent, shrewd, discerning) as serpents and innocent as doves."

"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way it treats its children". Nelson Mandela

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." Frederick Douglas

"The ultimate question for a responsible man to ask is not how he is to extricate himself from the affair, but how the coming generation shall continue to live." Bonhoeffer, After Ten Years