

St. Yared Sunday School Curriculum Committee Survey
Parents Survey

Topic: *Modern Issues that Our Children Face*

Note: *This survey is for parents and will have a huge impact on how we design and shape the new St. Yared Academy Curriculum. So please be as honest and open as possible.*

Objective: *To engage parents in order to better understand what issues children are facing.*

1. What issues do your children face at school, extracurricular activities, or home that could possibly be addressed by the St. Yared Sunday School? How are they handling those issues that they are facing and what is your greatest concern with them? How can we help? Please check one or more of the boxes for the corresponding age group your children are in. (If you don't have any children in a certain age group, please write N/A or leave it blank)

Elementary School Middle School High School College or Above

Elementary School: _____

Middle School: _____

High School: _____

College or Above: _____

2. How often do your children come to Church? (Check one for each applicable age group)

Elementary: Weekly Twice a month Only on Holidays Rarely Never

Middle School: Weekly Twice a month Only on Holidays Rarely Never

High School: Weekly Twice a month Only on holidays Rarely Never

College or above: Weekly Twice a month Only on Holidays Rarely Never

3. What services, programs or activities could the Church and/or the Sunday School provide to help your children grow spiritually and learn more about the Ethiopian Orthodox *Tewahedo* Church?

4. What do your children do while attending Kidassie (Divine Liturgy)? *Please be honest.*

- Listen attentively and follow along on the projector screen
- On their phone
- Sleeping
- Playing and hanging around with friends

5. To what extent are you aware of your child's personality and hobbies? *Once again, please be honest.*

- I am my children's best friend, I know everything about my children.
- There are some things that I am unaware of.
- There is a lot I don't know, I would like to build a closer bond with my child.

6. What do your children do with their free time?

7. How often do you spend time to teach your children about their Orthodox Faith and Life?

- Regularly (Weekly or bi-weekly) Twice a month Only on holidays Rarely
- Never

8. Are you willing to serve in the new St. Yared Sunday School? If yes, please check any of the following items.

- Teach
- Teacher assistants
- Volunteer
- Cleaning
- Other

9. What is your greatest hope for your children considering the issues that they face at school, extracurricular activities, or home?

10. For those parents with children who are **16 years old or older and have been raised in the United States**, what are services, programs or activities that the Church and/or Sunday School could provide to help **bring your child and keep them in the Church**?

11. Any Additional Comments/Suggestions/Questions can be freely made below.

Thank You & God Bless!
St. Yared Academy