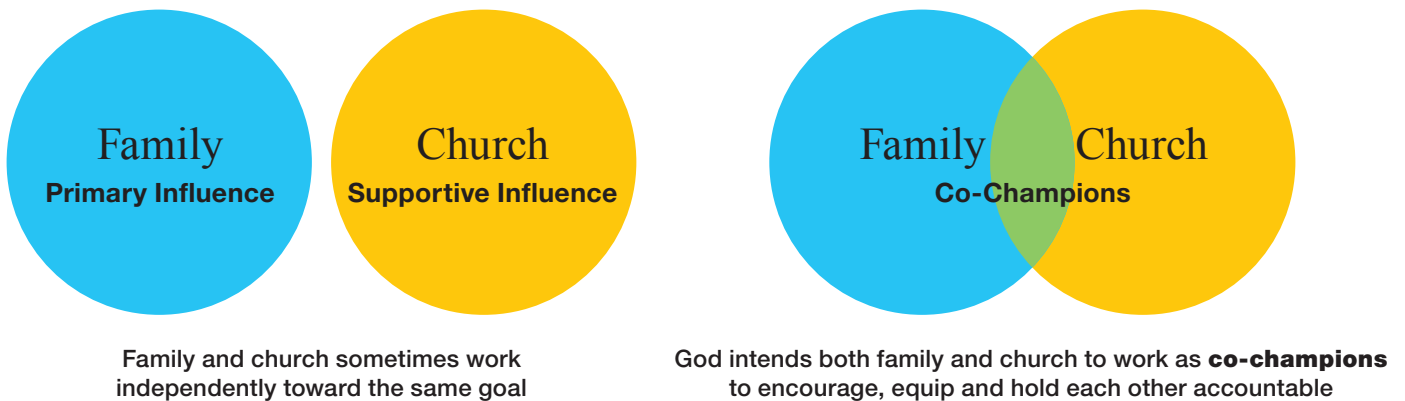


Why Family Ministry?

As we fast approach the arrival of an Associate Pastor of Family Ministry this question may still be floating around in your head. Most of us have heard of “Youth Pastors,” and “Music Pastors,” and “Children’s Pastors” but what exactly is family pastor and why go that direction?

I’m glad you asked.

God intends two institutions to be the spiritual trainers of His children: Family and Church



- The combined impact of **co-champions** is greater than two influences independently striving for the same goal.
- Family ministry combines the efforts of family and church. Its goals are to:
 - 1) build faith and character in our sons and daughters
 - 2) fuel a passion in the heart of every generation to love God and others.

5 Reason for Family Ministry at MorningStar Baptist Church:

- 1 Family ministry intentionally aligns us with God’s design in creation in which He created the institution of marriage and family as the foundation for human life, society, and the church. (Genesis 1,2)
- 2 Emphasizing family ministry positions us to more effectively call and equip parents to be the primary spiritual trainers of their children. (Genesis 18:18, Deuteronomy 6:5-7, Ephesians 6:4)
- 3 Family ministry **combines** the efforts and influence of the only two institutions that are committed to the spiritual growth of our children against the myriad of influences seeking to steal the hearts of our children away from God.
- 4 Family ministry is the most effective strategy for establishing and sustaining lasting discipleship that is passed on from generation to generation.
- 5 Strengthening families strengthens the church. Thriving churches are built upon thriving families.

A Question for you...

Do you believe it is important for our children to know God and grow in faith and character?