



As parents, we need answers and ongoing support. Someone once said, we only have 18 summers with our kids. Another person shared, the days are often slow, but the years go by fast.

Against that backdrop, being intentional is the best way forward.

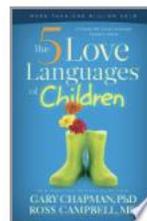
The following resources offer intentional ways to address schooling, parenting, the Kelly family’s idea about vacations, Fowler’s stages of faith, and the prickly topic of deconversion. At RCS, there is also a wisdom of practice readily available within and across our PreK-12th grade parent community. I encourage families to reach out with questions and prayer requests as soon as possible. Please don’t wait. Our warm and helpful parent-teacher community is one of the best assets around.

Resources for Preschool through High School Years			
Preschool Preschool Separation Separation Anxiety for Parents			
Kindergarten	Elementary School	Middle School	High School
Kindergarten Readiness-Child's Fears	74 Topics	Prepare for Middle School	Good Reminders
Kindergarten Milestones	Better Back to School	Thrive in Middle School	Prepare for Graduation Day
Kindergarten Readiness-Emotions	Good Reminders	Thrive, pt. 2	After High School

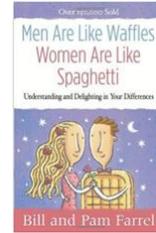
Favorite books...

Over the years, my wife and I have devoured dozens of marriage and parenting books. My favorites are prioritized here. Our world is different and more challenging than when we raised our daughters through their schooling years. I trust these resources offer timeless truths for your family.

1. The Five Love Languages of Children, Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell



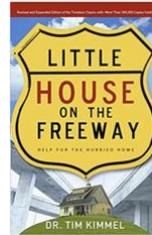
- Men Are Like Waffles, and Women Are Like Spaghetti
Bill and Pam Farrel



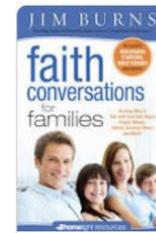
- Grace Based Parenting
Dr. Tim Kimmel



- Little House on the Freeway
Dr. Tim Kimmel



- Faith Conversations for Families
Jim Burns



According to christianbook.com, the following link reveals their 125 best-selling parenting books. https://www.christianbook.com/page/bestselling-christian-resources/parenting-bestsellers?view_all=1

Vacations...

Why include a section about family vacations? Many of the Kelly family's best memories come from the activities, worship, and Bible teaching at CBCC. We enjoyed the one-week family camp for 15 consecutive summers. Our daughters preferred Cannon Beach Conference Center over Disneyland. No contest.



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Spiritual Development

James Fowler offers a way to consider faith development, known as [Fowlers Stages of Faith](#). Interestingly, many deconverts reach level 4 on the Fowler Stage, but are unable to reconcile the paradoxes of the Bible against itself and the plausibility structures surrounding us in the 21st century. Those individuals deconvert from Christianity to become atheists.

Deconversion is a complex and tough subject. Dr. John Marriott offers a deep and sobering account of the process with implications for families, churches, and faith-based organizations. This isn't an easy read and chapter five proves very challenging.

For a free download of chapter one, visit <https://www.johnmarriott.org> Chapter one chronicles the tragic stories of two very prominent Christian leaders who abandon the faith later in life.

