



Group Preparation and Selection (GPS) is a ten-week class that prepares families for the ministry of foster care. The class is interactive, not lecture-style, and includes group activities and discussions that optimize learning. Those who participate in GPS are asked to look closely at their own strengths and needs in order to make an informed decision about their family's ability to work with children and families in the foster care system. Led with a Gospel focus, this process is a great way to learn more about the Church's role in child and family welfare.

Upcoming Birmingham Orientations and Classes:

Altadena Valley Presbyterian Church

Orientation (Required): January 16, 2017, at 6:00-8:00 p.m. Orientation provides an overview of the needs and roles in foster care and explains the GPS classes. Those interested in enrolling in a GPS class are required to attend, but do not commit themselves to a class by doing so.

First Class: January 30, 2017, at 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Address: 4660 Caldwell Mill Rd, Birmingham, AL 35243

Northpark Baptist Church

Orientation (Required): January 19, 2017, at 6:00-8:00 p.m. Orientation provides an overview of the needs and roles in foster care and explains the GPS classes. Those interested in enrolling in a GPS class are required to attend, but do not commit themselves to a class by doing so.

First Class: February 2, 2017, at 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Address: 5700 Deerfoot Parkway Trussville, AL 35173

Gardendale First Baptist Church

Orientation (Required): April 10, 2017, at 6:00-8:00 p.m. Orientation provides an overview of the needs and roles in foster care and explains the GPS classes. Those interested in enrolling in a GPS class are required to attend, but do not commit themselves to a class by doing so.

First Class: April 24, 2017, at 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Address: 316 Mountain Crest Pkwy, Gardendale, AL 35071

To register for a class, go to lifelinechild.org and click on the foster parenting page.