



Church Security

Friendly, Caring, Growing, Genuine: just a few words to describe what most churches strive to be. These are very important aspects to creating an environment where people are drawn to, and feel comfortable in. But there is a growing trend in “church-goers” minds that is very important in a family feeling comfortable with a church: Safety. This issue is not just a “mega-church” issue any more, every church has to begin to get serious about this topic if they are going to be effective in reaching out to their community, and taking care of their congregation.

According to the National Incidence Studies of Missing, Abducted, Runaway, and Thrownaway Children (NISMAART), more than 200,000 family abductions occur in the U.S. each year. “Family abduction” refers to an incident where a child is taken in violation of a custody agreement. This amounts to more than 560 family abductions per day! The reality is that churches are not immune to this statistic. Let’s look at a scenario that could easily become a reality at any church:

Susan, Nathan’s mom, drops Nathan off in the nursery. Midway through the Sunday morning worship service, Bill, Nathan’s dad, comes to pick him up. The nursery worker thinks nothing of it, and hands Nathan over to his dad. After the worship service, Susan comes back to pick Nathan up only to find out that he was already picked up by his dad. The nursery worker promptly finds out by Susan that Nathan’s dad has a restraining order against him, and should not even be around Nathan. Susan is obviously upset, and the nursery worker feels horrible for what she has done.

Sound extreme? Let me repeat the statistic: There are over 200,000 family abductions per year.

That means something like this could happen very easily, at any church, big or small. So what are we going to do? Does your church have a plan to prevent this from happening? Don’t we owe it to our parents to make them feel comfortable when they drop their children off into our hands?



At ABS Software LLC, we had seen many situations just like this one, and had often wondered if there was more that we could do to keep our children safe, and make our parents feel at ease. The last thing that we wanted was to see churches fold because of a million dollar lawsuit that could have been avoided, and even more importantly, a child put in danger because we didn’t do everything that we could to keep him safe.

One thing that we realized was that we were not the only ones asking these questions. Pastors all over the nation were asking the same questions, and looking for an answer.

That is why we have decided to devote our time and energy to this cause. Through much thought, prayer, and hard work, we believe we have begun the first step in creating something that could save hundreds if not thousands of lives, and make the church a much safer place to be.

KidzPro is a software developed specifically to take care of the security of a children's ministry, so the workers can focus on their jobs, teaching children about God. Here are just a few of the things that KidzPro has to offer:

Lock Tight Security

Our software uses a random 3 digit alphanumeric code that matches a child to his or her parent. When picking up a child, a parent must show that their badge matches the badge worn by their children. This prevents unauthorized adults from picking up a child.

Efficient, time saving check-in

Within 20 seconds or less, any size family can check into the KidzPro program, have a security badge printed for each family member, and be on their way to class. This check-in procedure is done at a manned kiosk, allowing a church to greet a family as soon as they walk in, and direct them to the correct classroom.

Easy to Read Alerts

On each child badge, any medical conditions or allergies can be noted to make sure the caregivers have all the information needed to give a child the best possible care. This can also be used to allow the caregivers to know if a child is potty training, or any other useful information that could give the child the best care possible.

Effectively Track Volunteers

KidzPro allows volunteers to check-in, which assists the children's ministry director to know who is working at a particular event. It also provides them with a name badge to allow parents and children to know their names along with their position within the ministry.

Easy Follow-up

Customizable reports allow a children's ministry to track which children and parents have been attending regularly, along with those that have missed a few weeks. This allows the children's ministry to follow up on those that have not been in attendance. This not only works for children, but for volunteers as well.

Other Features

Easy to use program, Background check tracker, Powerful family search, and much more.

Want to know more? Give us a call today! You'll be glad you did.

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