Pastoral Notes

'Home Training- Habits for Heaven' Prov 22:6.

If you weren't able to attend last Sunday you missed a treat. Our youth speakers, choir, cherubs and praise dancers turned it up for the Lord. It was evident they are the **products of good home training.**

Home training is essential for the growth and development of Godly youth. Home is where they

youth. Home is where they must be taught reverence for God and respect for others. Good habits are formed for teachers to teach, in school, those who have not been trained at home.

When we train, we must "train them up" to look to the hills where their help comes from. We must give them direction in life so they won't be swayed by the ills and thrills of this world. Home training helps them develop lifetime skills and behaviors. If we don't direct them, we run the risk of them following the crowd or worse, spirits of darkness. To be a good director, you must have the Word in you and must maintain a lifestyle of

Key Sermonic Points:

- 1. If young people are trained on the wrong path, they may never leave it.
- 2. Schools are for teaching but Homes are for training.
- 3. It's easy to find the right path, once it has been shown to you.

through good training and the bible says, those habits will not depart when they are older.

Mahatma Ghandi said "your words become your actions, your actions become your **habits**, your habits become your values and your values become your destiny. You can **help shape the destiny of your children by providing them good home training.** We can't delegate our parental responsibility to schools or teachers. Schools are meant for teaching, but it is the home that is meant for training. It is hard, however, **excellence,** though not of perfection.

If you train them IN the Word and live BY the Word, they will grow to be the leaders God wants in his church of the future. God says, even though they may stray, they will not depart from the path to salvation.

Let this message bless you. Visit our website, or get a CD, for more depth on this teaching.

Stay Blessed, Pastor Robbie

Nuggets:

- "We are what we repeatedly do.
 Therefore, excellence is not an act, but is a habit" - Aristotle
- God does not require perfection, but does require excellence.
- Direction needs to be given by someone who knows the right way and the right path.
- The church is an
 extension of the home
 when it comes to
 helping to train
 young people, but
 you must bring them,
 in order for us to help
 train them.