

In a time when we felt inadequate as parents, that we had failed in our training, that our children were out of control, we discovered the ministry of Gary and Anne Marie Ezzo. We located a *Growing Kids God's Way* class (*Along the Virtuous Way*) and began our journey towards biblical parenting and family development.

The first time we went through the class, we were surprised to realize that WE needed discipleship before we could teach our children. Being a pastor's family, we thought we knew how to raise a Godly family. God humbled us through this class and challenged us in the areas of first time obedience, family identify, and parenting in the funnel. The thing we like most about the class is that it doesn't just give a list of rules, but it teaches biblical principles and how to apply them at different ages.

We like the illustration that Carla Link uses in one of her tapes about the Three Little Pigs. She talks about how the third little pig takes extra time and energy to build his house with bricks instead of hay or sticks. When the wolf came, his house stood while the other houses crumbled. This is the picture we desire for our family. We want a family that is built on God's principle's that can stand firm when the storms come. We don't want just a good family (straw house), we don't want a better family (stick house), we are striving for the best family. We want to honor God by striving for excellence.

May God Bless the Ministry of Gary and Anne Marie Ezzo,

Keith and Tammie Crowgey