



Children's Ministries Noah's Nursery

at

Overland Park Christian Church
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"Then he took a little child, and put it among them; and taking it in his arms he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'" — Mark 9:36-37

Welcome to Noah's Nursery at Overland Park Christian Church!

We are honored to have the opportunity to care for your child.

This brochure is offered to give you some information about our nursery.
Please feel free to contact the Children's Minister if you have any questions.

Check-In Procedures

Dropping off and picking up children in the nursery can be hectic at times. To minimize the confusion and to reduce the foot-traffic in the nursery, we ask that parents of children who are familiar with the nursery drop the children off with the staff person at the check-in desk. While this is helpful to everyone, we by no means require this of parents who would feel more comfortable entering the nursery with their child.

After the children are checked-in, each child is welcomed and offered a toy or invited to get involved in an activity. Often children may cry or fuss briefly when parents leave. We have found that quick departures tend to minimize the discomfort for the child.

Every child should be signed in each week. First-time visitors are asked to complete an Information Sheet. A three-part tag system is used for new children to ensure safety. One tag will be clipped onto your child's clothing, you will be given one tag for identification, and the third tag should be attached to your child's diaper bag. The bags are stored on the highchairs for easy access to the volunteers and away from the children. If someone other than the person bringing the child will be picking them up and does not have the tag, please give the nursery staff special instructions in advance. Parents are asked to minimize the number of items brought with the child as much as possible.

If there is a concern that a child may be contagious, the staff person will locate the parent and request that the child be taken out of the nursery.

Play Time

We truly believe each child is his or her own unique individual and may have different schedules or needs. Every attempt will be made to provide the best care for your child.

Diaper Changing

Each child will be checked periodically to see if a diaper change is needed. Diapers are changed in the changing station located in the bathroom between the two nursery rooms. Before changing the diaper, the volunteer will review the child's check-in sheet for any special instructions.

Snacks

The toddlers and older infants may desire a snack at some point during their stay. Always note on your child's check-in sheet if this is appropriate for your child or if your child has any allergies. Children are given snacks in the highchairs or at the tables and monitored closely for choking.

Toys

Age-appropriate toys, books, and puzzles are provided for your child's enjoyment. After a child has put a toy in his/her mouth the toy will be placed in the "used toy" bucket for disinfecting.

Check Out

The staff person or designated volunteer will greet the parents as they pick up their children. Tags will be collected and matched and the child will be signed out. You will be given the check-in sheet to give you an idea of your child's activities for the morning.

Locating the Parent if Needed

Certain circumstances may require locating a child's parents. These may include an inconsolable child, sudden illness or injury. Should this need arise, the nursery staff person or the Children's Minister will locate you immediately.

Other Ministries for Little Ones

"Welcome Aboard" is a ministry of support, prayer, and information for expecting and new parents. The Children's Minister will contact you during your pregnancy to arrange a visit with you, and will contact you when you come home from the hospital to find out if you would appreciate having a meal brought into your home.

After the Nursery . . .

Noah's Nursery is for children birth through three years old. If your child turns four on or before August 31, he or she will move to the Pre-K/Kindergarten Christian Education class and Kid's Worship (10:45 hour only) the first Sunday in September.

**For further information or questions, please contact the Children's Minister,
Lisa Setty, at 913-677-4646, extension 228, or lisa@opccdoc.org.**

