

Basic Guidelines

Members who have children in our Children's Ministry are encouraged to participate as volunteer workers on a rotating basis. Please advise the Nursery Coordinator of your preference and availability.

Parents must ensure all bottles, snack cups and diaper bags are clearly labeled. This is to prevent endangering children with allergies and to ensure infants receive the proper bottle.

All member's and regularly attending children will have a registration card on file in their classroom. This card will contain important information such as allergies, child preferences, and parents' names.

Promotions take place yearly on August 1st for every grade level (or at the discretion of the Nursery Coordinators.)

The only exception to this is an infant who will be promoted to the Crawler Class when the child is developmentally ready.

For those children being potty trained, please bring a FULL CHANGE of clothes in case of an accident.

Registration

A parent or Authorized Adult must be present in the church facilities at all times when placing a child in any Children's Class. If someone other than the parent is responsible for the child, it should be noted at registration and the person responsible should leave their cell phone number (if available).

Upon entering the nursery area, obtain the child's security/name tag and place on child. Parent will keep the identical security tag with them. When picking up the child, you must present the security/name tag to the Greeter.

If you do not have your name tag, the nursery coordinator will be called. When dropping off children, please stay in lobby area. Please do not enter the room unless invited to do so by a worker.

Often children experience anxiety when parents leave. Our workers will love and care for them. If a child continues to be upset for more than ten minutes, the teacher will send for you. If you are needed during the worship service someone will contact you.

To ensure proper care, children should not arrive more than 20 minutes before a session begins. Children can be dropped off at two different times: either before the service, or midway through the service, after the Praise and Worship, and before the sermon, at an announced time each week.



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Discipline

In order to provide a safe learning environment for our children, inappropriate behavior must be kept to a minimum. By modeling and praising good actions and attitudes, workers can encourage children to make right choices during church meetings. However, if a child displays inappropriate behavior or attitude, one or more of the following age appropriate steps of correction may be taken.

1-4 years

- Verbal explanation of correct behavior and expectation.
- Redirection to another activity.
- Assignment to a time-out chair within the classroom.
- Contact the parent if direct intervention is needed.
- A note to the parent describing the attitude or behavior.

Additionally, for 2-4 Year Olds, the child may be moved to the side to avoid further interruption of the lesson.

If you are not comfortable with these disciplinary procedures, please speak with the worker or Nursery Coordinator and a note will be made on your child's registration card.

Health Policy

1. We want to provide a healthy environment for the children in the TCC nursery. We will not be able to admit your child when any of the following conditions have occurred within the last 24 hours:

Fever / Vomiting
Discharge in or around the eyes (not related to allergies)
Green or yellow runny nose
Excessive coughing
Diarrhea
Questionable rash
Any communicable disease

2. If your child becomes ill while in our care, you will be notified promptly.

3. If your child is being treated with an antibiotic, he or she should have received treatment for at least 24 hours before coming to the nursery. Children with chronic health problems can be accepted after consultation with the Nursery Coordinator.

4. For your child's protection, we ask our workers to follow these same guidelines.

5. Occasionally a child may develop symptoms of a disease later in the day after spending a session in the nursery. If your child does contract a typical childhood disease (chickenpox, mumps, etc.) following a session in our nursery, please advise the Nursery Coordinator as soon as possible so that other parents and workers associated with the nursery may be advised and take necessary measures.

Injury

We take injuries very seriously at Treasuring Christ Church. If your child is injured while in our care you will receive a note about what happened and what steps were taken.



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Dear parents,

Although a church nursery is a place where the physical and emotional needs of your child can be met while you are not present, our goal is to serve parents and children by providing more than just childcare. The church nursery is a launching pad for nurturing the faith of the next generation; it is a ministry to children. It is not a place to put children while we participate in the important ministries of the church.

The nursery is a place of prayer for young children. It is a place where young children can learn simple truth statements as they form their language skills. It is a place where the atmosphere is permeated with the fragrance of Jesus Christ (11 Corinthians 2:14). In short, it is a place where soul nurturing is done.

Our prayer is that your children will see glimpses of the greatness of God through the ministry of the godly people who care for them. It is our desire to provide a secure, loving, Christ-exalting environment for your child while you attend Treasuring Christ Church. Please feel free to share any personal and spiritual needs your children have so that we may care and pray for them more effectively.