



Welcome to our Church Nursery!

Whether your children have been born into our Church Family or this is your first visit, we are happy to have your family and children and will do our best to provide them (and you) with a good experience.

Please take a few minutes to read the attached information and then to complete and return the Information Sheet so that we may provide personalized care for your child.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to address them to one of the caregivers or to contact Barbie Grider, our Children's Minister, or Karen Reynolds, our Program Minister, at 376-3139.

About our Caregivers:

Our nursery is currently staffed by three paid caregivers and a number of servants we lovingly call “Huggers and Rockers.” We are very fortunate to have three individuals who feel so strongly about the nurture and care of children. This becomes obvious in the fact that they all perform this service in addition to working a full-time job and/or attending university. All are certified in CPR and have undergone a background check by the Oklahoma Bureau of Investigation.

Stevi McKee has been serving our Nursery since September, 2005. She is a student at the University of Central Oklahoma majoring in Elementary Education. Stevi works in our Toddler nursery.

Angie Bookout has been serving our Nursery since September, 2009. Angie holds a degree in Early Childhood Development and is Certified to teach Elementary Education. Angie works in the Toddler Nursery.

Camille Whaley is the newest member of our Nursery staff. She joined us in June, 2010. She is employed by a local bank and previously worked as a music therapist in a church daycare. Camille works in our Infant nursery with our “Huggers & Rockers.”

Mustang United Methodist Church Nursery Guidelines

The following guidelines are encouraged in order to best serve and protect your children. For more information, contact Barbie or Karen at 376-3139.

What to bring:

Please include the following labeled items in your diaper bag:

- 3-4 diapers
- Pre-mixed or measured bottles
- Pacifier (if it is a comfort item for your child)
- Complete change of clothes

Placing your children in nursery care:

Parents and siblings are asked **not** to enter the nursery classrooms. Children are received by staff members at the door. We will page you if your child is unable to be comforted. The Infant Nursery is for newborns up to age 2. The Toddler Nursery is for children age 2-4. Children age 4-2nd grade attend our Children's Church program in the Parlor during the 10:50am worship service on Sunday mornings.

Our nursery is for well children:

If your children shows the following symptoms, please **do not** bring them to the nursery. Children should be free from these symptoms for at least 24 hours: fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, common cold, excessive cough, childhood diseases, chicken pox, heavy nasal discharge, unexplained rash, skin infection, eye inflammation or discharge, or head lice.

Safety Procedures

- Your children's safety is important to us. That's why all children must be checked in by a parent.
- When you drop off your child at the classroom door, you will be assigned a vibrating pager in the event we need to reach you.
- All staff in the nursery have completed an extensive interview and background process.

IN AN EMERGENCY:

Children will be evacuated to the East Front Lawn. Please come to the evacuation point to pick up your child. **DO NOT come to the nursery.** It delays evacuation procedures and unnecessarily endangers the children and their caregivers.

Church Nursery Information Sheet

Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Home Address _____

Phone Numbers _____

E-Mail Address _____

INFANT INSTRUCTIONS:

My child is: Breast-fed Bottle-fed drinks from cup

Feeding position: held rocked _____

Burp my child: half-way through feeding after feeding

Position for burping: over shoulder sitting over lap

Feeding time _____ Food allergies _____

May the child have animal crackers or cheerios: Yes No

Sleeping position: Back Stomach _____

Method of going to sleep: Rock Crib Swing _____

TODDLER INSTRUCTIONS:

Food allergies? _____

Is the toddler toilet-trained? Yes No

Will they ask to go to the toilet? Yes No

Word toddler uses to indicate bathroom need? _____

OTHER INFORMATION / SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Favorite activities _____

Does not like _____

Is upset by _____

Other: _____

Parent Signature

Date

PLEASE COMPLETE, DETACH AND RETURN INFORMATION SHEET TO NURSERY.

Child

Parent/Guardian