

Plan to Reopen On-Campus Children's Ministry - Fall 2020

THE PLAN:

Phase 1 - Reopen Nursery/Preschool Sunday Mornings starting Aug. 16

Limited Nursery and Preschool classes will open for 10:30AM service only.

Aug. 16 is a soft opening and by invitation only. A reservation system will follow next.

Classes will be:

Toddler room (1's & 2's) WC 105, Refreshed NEW Fishy Room in the Tree House@Faith Nursery

6 kids: 2 adults

Preschool room (3's - 5's) WC 106

10 kids: 2 adults

NO infants or elementary kids in Phase 1.

Phase 2 - Reopen One Grade School Classroom Sunday Mornings starting Aug. 23

Add one grade school classroom for 10:30AM service only.

Grade school room (1st-3rd, potentially up to 5th) WC 109, The Barn Room, and playground

8 kids: 2 adults

Preschool and Toddler rooms will now be open by reservation on a first come, first served basis.

Phase 3 - Open More Sunday Morning Classrooms (as needed) and Additional Ministries

Open more classrooms for 10:30AM service, including a Baby room if needed. In Phase 3, we will move the grade school children back to the FLC classrooms.

NOTE Timing to be determined by demand and available volunteers. We will need a new group of parents and volunteers to join us in the grade school classes because many of our past, more senior helpers and those that have medical conditions are not comfortable coming back at this time. If volunteers are not available, we reserve the option to require parents to volunteer for service on a rotating basis, but that is not our ideal situation.

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We will offer online and in-person options, limited class sizes. More details to come.

Currently planning a Handbook Pick-up & Award Drive-thru Event: Aug.30

Online start: Sep 20, limited In-person club start: Oct. 4

Mother's Day Out & Ladies Bible Study Sitting

MDO start: Sept. 1 MDO will start the year with ONLY Tuesdays, with the option of adding Thursdays if the need arises and staffing is available.

LBS Sitting start: Sep. 8 by reservation only

NEW! Family Service Sunday

Start TBD. Once a month, adult worship service will be modified to be a family worship time.

Grade school children will sit with their parents in the main service.

Phase 4 - Reopen ALL Classes for Both Services

Children's Church

Grade school kids Children's Church start-up TBD

HOW THIS IS GOING TO WORK FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS:

Begin with a soft open Aug. 16, by invitation only. Beyond that, we will use a reservation system.

1. Reserve a spot by Friday noon, two days before the Sunday attending:
Contact Donna Towns: dtowns@faithbible.com or text (972)351-6286.
Children of volunteers have priority placement.
2. Sign our Parent Acknowledgement document signifying you have been informed of our Safety Protocols and have the understanding that preschoolers and toddlers do not understand social distancing, and that parents will be bringing their young children at their own discretion.
3. Families will enter the building using the playground side-entry door and use the new check-in station located by the Faith@home Center.
4. Every child and volunteer will have their temperature checked at the door with a non-contact thermometer as they enter the building. Those who have a temperature of 100.0° or higher or have any symptoms of an illness, will not be allowed in the Children's area.
5. Security labels will be printed ahead of time based on reservations, and ready for you at the check-in station to speed up the check-in process. Please let us know if your plans change.
6. Once checked-in, parents will take their child to class.
7. Parents will line up down the hallway at 6' distances outside of classrooms to pick up. When the grade school class opens, those children will be picked up on the playground, weather permitting.
8. Mask policy:
 - Toddlers and preschoolers: Masks will be an option, but will not be mandated.
 - Children in grade school: Kids should wear masks entering and exiting the building, in hallways, and restrooms. Once grade school kids are seated and a safe distance of 6' between kids can be established, or when the kids are outside, masks can be removed.
EXCEPTIONS: Individual needs regarding face coverings will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Requests for accommodations should be made to Donna Towns. (Accommodations will be made out of necessity; personal preference is not a reason. It is in the child's best interest if we can help them learn to wear a mask in our kid-friendly environment since masks are currently mandated everywhere else.)
 - Adult Volunteers: Face shields will be worn so children can see their faces; this complies with our current building mandate and is an example for children to follow.
9. Grade school class activities are designed to keep close interaction of children at a minimum.
10. Table seating used to help with social distancing in grade school class.
11. We will livestream the grade school teaching time on our closed group Facebook page.
12. Sunday School curriculum videos and materials will continue to be offered online for both preschool and grade school of all ages as we are currently doing on Facebook each week. Contact Erica at CMA@faithbible.com for access to our closed group Facebook page.

VIGILANTLY MONITORING SYMPTOMS



Our very first line of defense against COVID-19 is the vigilant assessment of symptoms at home. Children and volunteers with fevers exceeding 100.0° must stay home.

Other symptoms of possible COVID-19 infection include:

chills

cough

shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

fatigue

muscle or body aches

headache

loss of taste or smell

sore throat

congestion or runny nose

nausea or vomiting

diarrhea

Faith Children's Ministry has purchased no-contact thermometers that we will use to take the temperatures of children and volunteers as they enter the building.

Should a child begin to exhibit symptoms while at church, they will be isolated in a separate room from the other children and their parent notified immediately.

Should a child from a class test positive, the class will be closed for 2 weeks. Parents will be notified by phone if this occurs.

If an immediate family member tests positive, their child will be asked to stay home, and all parents with children in that class will be notified so they can make an informed decision about bringing their child to that class.

CLEANING AND DISINFECTING



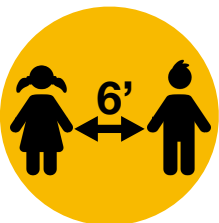
- Proper hand washing will be encouraged with children and volunteers as a primary defense against the spread of the virus. Sinks with soap dispensers are available in most classrooms and in the restrooms. Washing the virus down the drain is a simple and effective procedure to reduce spread of COVID-19.
- Hand sanitizing stations in each classroom and at check-in.
- In the classroom, routine cleaning and disinfecting will be the focus for virus mitigation, both by nursery staff and custodial.
- Personal craft supplies will be provided for each child—including crayons, scissors, play-dough, glue sticks, watercolors, & prepped packets of supplies as needed for each lesson.
- Small toys and kitchen “food” toys minimized in all rooms.
- Tubs of “rotating” toys will be used to limit things brought out each week.
- Cloth coverings have been removed from diaper changing pads. Exam table paper will be used on our changing tables instead—fresh paper for each diaper change.

MASKS



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SOCIAL DISTANCING



- Preschoolers and toddlers do not understand social distancing. Parents need to understand they will be bringing their young children at their own discretion.
- Grade school class will utilize table seating and class activities designed to keep close interaction of children at a minimum to enforce social distancing.