



## WELCOME TO THE NURSERY

*Even the birds find a home there, and the swallow builds a nest, where she can protect her young near your altars, O LORD WHO RULES OVER ALL, my king and my God. Psalm 84:3*

**Our Purpose**—We welcome you and your babies to our church nursery. The purpose of our nursery department is to provide a safe, loving, fun and comfortable environment for your child so that you can worship and serve the Lord. Everything we do here at McEachern is aimed at one goal—bringing people of every age to Christ. We believe our Nurseries play a big part in reaching that goal.

**Our Caregivers**—Our paid nursery staff consists of mothers, grandmothers, and others called to serve the Lord by caring for your children. Each has had a background check, is CPR and first aid certified, and trained in Safe Sanctuaries. They are trained in fire safety and where to go during inclement weather. Our staff is also encouraged to participate in Bible Studies so that they are confident & comfortable sharing God's amazing love with young children.

**Good Health Guidelines**— We want to provide a healthy environment in our nursery, so we ask you to keep your baby at home when you observe any of the following: fever/vomiting/diarrhea, questionable rash, discharge around eyes, green or yellow runny nose, excessive coughing or any communicable disease. If your child becomes ill while in the nursery, you will be notified promptly. If your child is being treated with any antibiotic, he/she should have received treatment for at least 24 hours before coming to the nursery. Our caregivers must follow these same guidelines.


**Diaper Bag**—Please equip your diaper bag with the following LABELED items: four disposable diapers, bottles, pacifiers, special blankets, and a complete change of clothing. Please make sure that your diaper bag is also labeled.

**Basic Policies & Procedures**— Each room has a sign-in sheet which allows you to provide information about your child (warm bottle, feed at 9:30, where you may be located in the church, etc.) You will also be issued a pager at that time so that we may reach you more quickly. When you arrive at the nursery room, give the child and the diaper bag to the nursery staff along with any new or pertinent information. We recommend that you leave quickly. Your child will be able to adjust more quickly if you do not linger. No one is to enter the Nurseries except the workers and the children. The reasons for this are safety, sanitation, and ease of adjustment for the children. If your child should soil their underwear while in the nursery, you will be notified to come and change him/her. This is for the child's privacy, as well as sanitary reasons. It is best not to visit your child until you are ready to leave. You will be notified immediately if an emergency should arise.

**Safety**—We strive to provide the utmost in safety & security! Sign-in/out—We request that parents (not siblings) bring children to the nursery and sign them in. Parents should also be the ones picking up the children. It is important for parents to be on the church campus while their children are in the nursery. Pagers—A pager will also be issued to you when you drop-off your child should you be needed during your time at McEachern UMC. Please wear this and return to the nursery immediately if it should vibrate. Please return the pager when you pick-up your child. Snacks—We provide a snack (graham crackers, pretzels or cheerios with water. This allows us to very cautious for those who may have life-threatening food allergies. If your child should have an allergy, please place a yellow wristband on your child with what they are allergic to and if they are permitted to have our snack. Snack ingredients are posted outside each room for your approval. Parent Volunteers— We do ask parents to volunteer with our staff periodically in our nurseries, and like our staff, they are required to be back-ground checked. Please let us know if you are willing to be a volunteer for our nursery.

**Nursery Location & Times**—We are located on the bottom level of the CLC. Sundays— 8:15 Service in room F-145 from 6 weeks through 10 years old, and for the 9:30 & 11:00 services we offer nurseries through 3 years old. Weekdays & Evenings—Childcare is available for infants through age 10 when parents are participating in choir, Bible Study and various church functions.

Sunday Mornings	9:30 & 11:00 Services	
Room F-135	Nursery 1	Birth-6 months
Room F-134	Nursery 2	7-12 months
Room F-142	Nursery 3	13-18 months
Room F-141	Nursery 4	19-24 months
Room F-139	Nursery 5	Young Two's
Room F-138	Nursery 6	Older Two's
Room F-136	3 year old Sunday School	3 before 9-1-09
Room F-133	3 year old Sunday School	3 before 9-1-09
Room F-145	3 year old Sunday School	3 before 9-1-09

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If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please contact our Nursery Director, Susan Koopman as listed above.