

A Family Guide to



The Preschool Ministry of McGregor Baptist Church

Where Preschoolers Discover God

Sunday Preschool Life Group Times:

8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM

Using *First Look* curriculum, children will learn that God Made Them, God Loves Them, and Jesus Wants To Be Their Friend Forever through engaging Bible lessons, as well as large group worship at 11:00 AM in Discovery Dock for older preschoolers and kindergartners.

Wednesday Evening Discipleship:

6:30 PM until 8:00 PM

DIG IN for children age birth through Kindergarten takes a second look at our *First Look* curriculum by digging in deeper to weekly Bible lessons with hands-on interactive lessons and large group worship for older preschoolers and kindergartners.

preschool.mcgregor.net

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Meet the Team

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At McGregor Baptist Church, we are committed to minister to the entire family. In the Preschool area, we realize that “Children are a gift from God...” (Psalm 127:3) and He has entrusted us to provide a safe, secure, Christ-centered environment in which we can partner with parents to help preschoolers discover God.

We believe sharing God’s love and teaching biblical truths is a blessing and an awesome responsibility, not to be taken lightly. We have found that by partnering with our parents of preschoolers, who are members of MBC, on a consistent basis we are able through God’s power to achieve this vision.

Therefore, if you are a member of MBC and a parent/guardian of a preschooler in our care, you are asked to partner with us on a monthly rotational schedule. For your convenience, the schedule is available online by visiting:

www.mcgregor.net/psmleaders.



Our leaders strive to express God’s love to every child at every opportunity.

Ministry Opportunities...

- Classroom Teacher
- Greeter
- Check-In Coordinator
- Baby Valet
- Puppeteer
- Divisional Director

What to do at Check-In...

Here in the Preschool Ministry we realize that on Sunday morning you probably have your hands full. Well, we want to help!

After providing your family’s registration information on your first visit, here’s how check-in works on subsequent visits:

- Check your children in at the counter using our touch screen monitors. You can use the same monitor for all your children age birth through Kindergarten.
- A sticker with your child’s information will print to stick to your child’s shirt. For birth-younger 3’s, you will be required to take a pager.
- For older 3’s-PreK and Kindergartners, your cell phone number will automatically print on the security sticker (a pager can be requested, if parents prefer).
- To check-out, return to the touch screen monitor to receive a Check-Out Receipt.
- To ensure the safety of your child, at pick-up, your child’s teacher will match your check-out receipt with your child’s sticker.
- If you have more than one child, keep the pager until you have picked up your last child.
- Please leave the pager with the teacher of your last child to be picked up.
- Children will not be released to anyone under 18 or to anyone not showing the correct pager number and check-out receipt or check-in system ID card.
- Sunday Check-In Times:
 - ⇒ 7:45-8:15 AM
 - ⇒ 9:15-9:45 AM
 - ⇒ 10:45-11:15 AM
- Wednesday Check-In Times:
 - ⇒ 6:15-6:45 PM



Preschool Praise and Worship in Discovery Dock

Don't Forget...

- Use the special stickers provided at the check-in counter to notify teachers of any Special Needs or Allergies.
- Label all of your children's belongings, including diaper bag, bottle, pacifier, blanket, etc.
- Parents may bring their child to class 15 minutes before the start of Life Group, Worship, or other on-campus activities. Please refer to Check-In section for exact timeframes.
- Parents should pick up their child within 15 minutes after the conclusion of their service, Bible study, or other on-campus activities.
- Activities are for children whose parents are attending or serving in Life Group, Worship or other on-campus activities. For safety's sake, parents must remain on campus while their children are in our care.
- For your privacy and convenience, the Nursing Mother's Suite is located in the Younger Preschool area.
- One pager should be taken per family.
- If you are using a pager, please keep it on your person, as it vibrates to alert you that you are needed in the Preschool area. If you are using your cell phone instead of a pager, please keep it on your person and set to vibrate. Also, please program the church number into your cell phone (239-936-1754), so as not to ignore a call from the Preschool Ministry if your child should need you.
- If you are paged or called, please report to the Preschool area immediately.

Health and Safety Reminders...

- We ask that your child stay home when demonstrating any of the following symptoms within the past 24 hours: diarrhea, vomiting, fever, runny nose, earache, drainage from eyes, sore throat.
- If your child develops any of these symptoms while in our care, we will ask you to take them home.
- For your child's safety, we have a teacher-to-child ratio in each classroom. The Preschool Ministry reserves the right to limit the number of children in each class.
- "Home toys" often get damaged or lost. We ask that toys from home stay home.
- We do not administer any medication to children.
- All toys and equipment will be cleaned and disinfected after each use. Crib sheets will be washed after each use.
- If a child is injured while in the Preschool area, an incident report will be filled out. If the child has been seriously injured, the parent will be paged and notified immediately; otherwise, parents will be informed at pick-up.



Puppet and Drama Ministry re-enforce biblical principles.



Teachers share the Gospel in ways preschoolers can understand.

Our pledge to every parent...

Each classroom is staffed with faithful, loving teachers. Volunteers are members of MBC, and for the most part are parents like you, and have completed a thorough background screen process.

- Children will be supervised at all times.
- Our goal is to have a minimum of two adults in each classroom.
- Hallways and preschool classrooms are equipped with security monitors. Rooms are visible from hallway corridors.
- To best meet their needs, babies and toddlers are grouped developmentally through age two, at which time they are grouped by birthdates and promoted annually.
- Clean, safe classrooms with age-appropriate equipment and toys are provided.



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