

Illness and Emergency Preparedness

Ill Children

In trying to maintain healthy children in our fellowship, we ask that ill children not be brought into the Children's Ministry.

Please do not bring your child to church if they have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever over 99°
- Runny nose (green or yellow mucous)
- Cough, congestion or sneezing (allergies excluded)
- Inflammation or matter on eye
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Yeast diaper rash or any other infectious skin rash
- Circular lesions or runny blisters on skin
- White mouth sores

Building Evacuation

In the unlikely event of a need to evacuate the building, please exit the sanctuary through the rear double doors, turn to your right and proceed to the outside of the building.

Once outside of the building, please make your way to the sidewalk at the Northeast corner of the property where you will be reunited with your child and their caregiver or teacher.

In the event of an emergency of this type, please **do not** make your way to the Children's Ministry as the staff there will be assisting your children out of the building by the quickest and most direct route.

You will be able to meet your children at the Northeast corner of the property where everyone will be safely out of the way of the building and any emergency vehicles.

Our Mission

Dedicated to providing a fun, loving and safe environment for God's children to be trained as disciples, to take the good news of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth.

In Matthew 28:19 Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all the things that I have commanded you." As disciples of Jesus, our goal is to give everyone an opportunity to fulfill this great commission. We desire to develop little followers of Christ that will grow into disciples of Christ and take the Word out to others.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, And whose hope is in the Lord. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river, and will not fear when heat comes; But its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of drought, nor will cease from yielding fruit."

Jeremiah 17:7-8

Introduction to:



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"He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water..."
Psalm 1:3

"...never will cease from yielding fruit."

Jeremiah 17:8

Welcome to the Children's Ministry of Calvary Chapel Riverside.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." (Matt 19:14) With this in mind, our focus is to bring children closer to Jesus through Biblical lessons, role-models, and hands-on activities.

We ask that all children ten or under attend classes in the Children's Ministry. To maintain an atmosphere of learning for the adults, the sanctuary service will be reserved for everyone eleven years old and older. (The Mommy's room is intended for mothers with nursing infants. Sorry, no dads allowed.)

Check In and Check Out Procedures

Check in:

- Begins 15 minutes prior to the service time.
- A parent or legal guardian is to sign in each child at which time you will receive a numbered pager.
- Each child should have a completed information card kept on file with any special concerns, allergies, or other items specific to your child that we may need to know.

Check out:

- For your child(ren)'s protection we ask for a signature and the pager from a parent or guardian in order to pick up your child. Only those listed at the sign-in time may sign out a child. Siblings may not pick up children.

Class and Service Structure

We have organized Riverside Orchard into four classes in order to best reach children at their developmental ability.

Nursery (0 months-18 months)

1 through 3's

4 through 7's

8 through 10's

Children 10 and under have classes and worship service in the Children's Ministry, along with a fellowship time after our Sunday services.

Our volunteers are committed to showing the love of Christ to the children within our care.

Discipline Procedures

In the Children's Ministry we expect the children to:

- Be respectful of other students and their right to learn.
- Follow the directions of the Children's Ministry leaders.
- Participate in the classroom activities.

Occasionally students have difficulties following the above expectations. Our policy is as follows:

- The students will be made aware of the problem with their conduct.
- If the problem persists, the student will be sent out of the class for a time of prayer and Biblical instruction with the overseer. After an appropriate amount of time, the student will be allowed to return to class.
- If any further problems occur on a given day, the father of the student, or mother if father is not available, will be called from the service to resolve the issue with their child.

The adults caring for your children have undergone, and passed, a criminal background check.