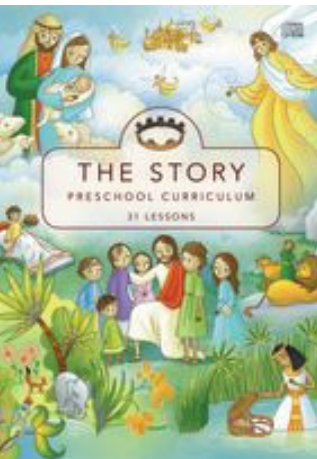


## A Note From Ms. Dana

Happy New Year! I am praying for you as we begin this new year. If you like to making resolutions or love to start things in the new year like me, join me as our entire church reads through the Bible this year. Stop by the Family Life Resource Center in our lobby for helps and specific resources that can make it easier! This can be life-changing so watch out! Not only will it change you as a person, but also as a parent, spouse and friend.

Along with this year's theme, Kids and Preschool Ministry have joined together to provide Family Time Tips in the weekly bulletins. These tips will coincide with the weekly readings, and will provide intentional faith learning moments for you and your children. Intentional moments with your kids can be so important as they begin to grow in their faith.



If you would like to purchase The Story For Little Ones, we have a few copies left! This is a chronological look at the Bible that your preschooler

will understand, and will help you as you teach your children about God's Word. Copies are available at the Preschool Desk in The Walk. We also have preschool worship music for sale!

In 2012, look for our monthly Preschool Ministry newsletter with upcoming events and news. If there is ever anything I can do for you or your family, please let me know.

Blessings,  
Dana Kawata

## Reminder—Sick Child Policy

For the protection of your child and the other children, we ask that you allow your child to recuperate at home with any of the following symptoms and/or illnesses:

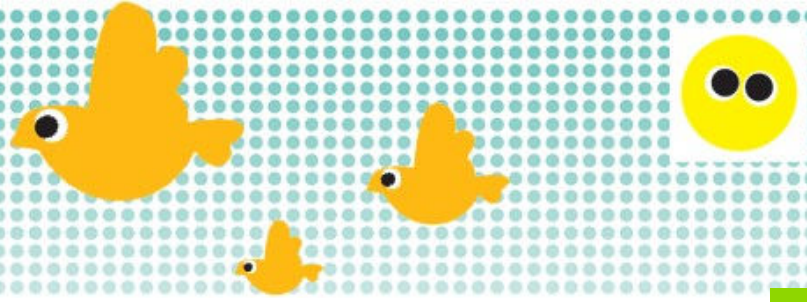
### Symptoms

- Fever (99.5 or higher) currently or within the previous 24 hours (**Children must be fever-free without fever-reducing medicine for 24 hrs**)
- Runny nose, green or yellow in color (excluding allergies)
- Questionable rashes
- Coughing
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Sore throat

### Illnesses

- Impetigo
- Active Chicken Pox
- Measles
- Mumps
- Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)
- Thrush
- Croup
- RSV
- Any other contagious, communicable, or questionable diseases or illnesses

We are unable to administer medication. If your child is being treated with antibiotics, he/she should be on the medicine and "fever free" \* for at least 24 hours before coming to the nursery/classroom. If the child develops a fever or other symptoms of illness while at church, we will contact the parent immediately so the child may be taken home to recuperate and receive the necessary care and rest.



## Kids Night Out is Coming!



Kids Night Out will be held on Friday, February 24th from 6 pm—10 pm. We're going to have a Leap Year Extravaganza to include dinner, games, crafts, and other fun! So mark your calendars now and we'll let you know when registration is available. It's going to be a blast—and you'll love an evening out to yourself! Cost is \$10 per child, with a maximum of \$30 per family.

## January Is A Great Month To...

- Check out the Children's Museum
- Go to the aquarium downtown
- Take a picnic to one of our neighborhood parks—call a few other friends and make it a play date!
- Go to the Houston Zoo
- Go to Safari Zone (an indoor playground—FREE) at The Woodlands United Methodist Church

## Announcing...Great Expectations!

We are so excited to announce the arrival of our new program for expecting/new parents! Great Expectations is a free event to celebrate you! Expectant and new parents can come for a personalized tour and orientation of our nursery and preschool department. Brunch will also be served. Be on the lookout for more information—registration will begin soon!



***Be sure to check out the Family Time tips in the bulletin each week—they're a great resource for family devotions at home!***

## Craft Supplies Needed



We are collecting the following items for crafts in the Preschool Ministry. If you happen to have any of these items, feel free to drop them by the Preschool Desk. Thanks for helping us out!

- Plastic water bottles (small and large) with lids
- Small Gatorade/sports drink bottles with lids
- Baby food jars with lids
- Toilet paper rolls
- Paper towel rolls

## Lost and Found

Has your child come home without a piece of clothing, hair bow, or other item lately? We keep those items at our Preschool Desk until the following Monday, then they are placed at our church-wide lost and found at the Welcome Desk by the large windows.

## Mother's Day Out Registration



Mother's Day Out

Registration for the Mother's Day Out 2012-2013 school year will begin on February 13 for church members, and on February 21 for the general public. MDO is offered for children ages 12 months to 5 years on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 am—2:30 pm (Sept. through May).