

**God's Glory
Garden**

'Lil Sprouts

Faith Church Nursery News

Summer 2011

...a reminder:

Nursery Core Concepts

God Created everything. Gen. 1:1

God made me and loves me. John 3:16

God gave me the Bible. Ps. 33:4

The Bible is God's Word and everything in it is truth. Ps. 33:4

I can talk to God in prayer. Ps. 17:6 | Thess. 5:17

God helps me to learn to do what's right and to think good thoughts.

Matt 7:12

God wants me to obey my parents. Col. 3:20

God wants me to go to church and worship Him. Ps. 9:1

God will help me be kind and share. Eph. 4:32

Nursery and Sunday School Promotion Set for June 5

Even though children begin new school classes in the fall, we promote our young ones to new classes on the first day of the summer quarter. In the nursery, I move children to the one and two year old room as they develop: steady walkers move to the Pansy class; those who can communicate in sentences, move to the Daisy class after they are two. However, June 5, all those who will be three years old by September 1 will move to Room 19. Those who will be two by September 1 will move to Room 18. Babies in the Infant Room (22) and the Pansy Room (20) will be moved according to each baby's individual development.

Summer Birthday Blessings to:

May:

Isaac Nunez May 11 Ella Polter May 13

Nathaniel Williams May 28

June:

Cameron Lahman June 6 Anna Jorden June 10

Grant Yoxthimer June 18 Lacey May June 23

Selah Jackson June 27

July:

Adelyn Cornwall July 14 Addyson Tabor July 19

Morgan Hoeverer July 23 Colton Villamar July 30

August:

Nathan Panmanee August 6 Gabriel Killingsworth August 7

Susanna Williams August 10 Macie Bird August 15

Liam Cunningham August 16



Cheerios! Mm-m Good!



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Calling All Parents!

If you have thought about volunteering in the nursery, please give the idea a bit more prayer and let me know if you are feeling God's call. The nursery and all children and items in it are His, so we believe that He finds just the right people to serve. I am compiling the summer rotation and would love to include you! Please email or call me at the address/number listed above.

Bottle Bowling

- Wash and dry several empty plastic liter pop bottles. Stand the bottles upright on the floor.
- Help your child roll a ball toward the bottles to knock them down. Clap and cheer when the bottles fall down. Say, "**You knocked the bottles down!**"
- Let your child set up the bottles however he or she wants to. Your child may also want to knock down other toys as well. Continue to play as your child shows interest.

Showing God's Love

(Tune: "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star")

I will smile and play with you.

Jesus helped His good friends, too.

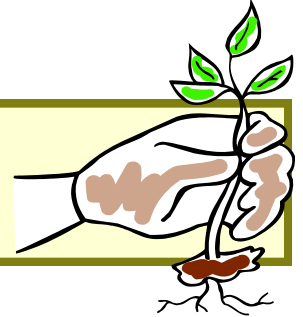
I can show I care for you

To help you know that God loves you.

Sing this song as you serve a meal to or play with your child. Talk about how you enjoy caring for your child. Smile at your child and tell him or her that you smile to show you love him or her. Talk about how people at church like to smile and take care of your child. If a child knows the name of his or her teacher at church, sing the song using the person's name in place of the word "I."

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From Baby Beginnings...

Q: How can I tell what my baby wants when he or she can't talk yet?

A: You can learn most about your baby by slowing down and being observant. A great deal of communication goes on with even the youngest child. The first and most basic part of this process is simply to watch your child. One well-known psychologist has said, "If you want to know how a baby feels, watch his feet." That's good advice!

Notice your baby's facial expressions, sounds, body posture and gestures. These provide the foundation for understanding what your baby is trying to communicate. Place yourself at your child's eye level. Smile and talk quietly with him or her. As you make eye contact, especially when doing something routine like changing diapers, watch and talk to your child to indicate your interest and care. This encourages the child to respond.

Rather than going into action only when your child fusses, work towards paying attention and responding to your child even when he or she is not fussing. You may find that as you become better at this, your child fusses less and communicates more!

Because everything is new to your baby, it is very easy for him or her to become overstimulated. If your baby looks flushed, try reducing the stimulation—lower the lights, turn down the noise, remove some of the toys and gently stroke your child. Children's reactions don't instantly change, but by paying attention to your child's reactions, you will discover what helps to soothe him or her. If you observe your child trying hard to grab a rattle, but unable to do so, or trying hard to do something else but failing, he or she will fuss to express frustration. Instead of saying, "Don't cry!" move the rattle closer or help your child hold the rattle and bring it to his or her mouth, talking to your child as you do so. In this way babies and toddlers learn that communication works.