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Mission

To see all kids transformed by the good news of Jesus Christ.

Vision

We engage kids to encounter God and equip parents for family discipleship.

"One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your might acts...to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom."

Psalm 145



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Key Truths

These key truths mark and guide every activity, focus and prayer for each age level.

Infant - You are made by God

Toddler - You are loved by God

PreK - Jesus came to save you!

Kinder/1st - I can know Him for the display of His splendor

2nd/3rd - I will follow Him for the display of His splendor

4th/5th - I will share Him for the display of His splendor



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New Sunday Rhythym

Volunteer Arrival

- New gathering times: 9AM, 10:45AM, 5PM
- Volunteer Prayer/Curriculum Review: 8:30, 10:15, 4:30
- Volunteers will check in at iPads to receive nametag

New Class Rhythms

We are going to implement a new class rhythm for all classes. This will look different in Early Childhood and Elementary.

- Early Childhood: We will be providing class schedules for your time that more specifically allocate activities with purpose. We are also beginning to implement specific rhymes to call attention and teach concepts.
- Kinder - 3rd: We will divide our time into three components: Arrival, Large Group, Response Rotations
 - We are working to create names for these that are consistent with The Grove mission and GroveKids values.
 - The purpose of this is to remediate large class sizes, provide intentionality to each component and equip us to recruit more volunteers with specific asks for components.

GroveKids Rules

These rules will be reviewed at every component of the day.

1. I can listen: When an adult is talking, you are listening. We treat each other with respect.
2. I can learn.
3. I can stay safe: We keep our nametags on at all times and our bodies safe.
4. I can have fun: We participate with joy!

God is Attentive - Moses & Israelites (PreK)

Bible Passage: Exodus

Story Point: God is Attentive - He hears and responds to the prayers of His children!

Arrival

Greet each child/parent at the door and check to ensure they have a nametag on. Engage with kids in free play.

LEARN the story of the Gospel - Bible Story

PRAY:

SAY: "Wiggle your fingers here (wiggle right fingers in the air) wiggle your fingers there (wiggle your left fingers) fold them together and bow your head for prayer

Say: Dear Lord, thank you always hearing us when we pray. Thank you for loving us and caring for us. Thank you for sending Jesus to rescue us because you knew we needed you.

TEACH:

SAY: "1, 2 this is true (hold fingers up for 1, 2)...God loves me (point to self) and God loves you (point to kids)

The Holy Bible is God's book, let's open it and see. (show bible and open it to show) where He tells us of His love. He loves you (points to children) and He loves me! (points to self)

- Take a minute or two to pass the real Bible around opened up with words showing, as the kids are touching the Bible say "These are God's words and every word is true"

READ: Read the Tiny Truths Bible Storybook provided, page 42-47

REVIEW:

- Today we are going to learn about what God is like. It's a big word, but let's learn together:
- **God is attentive** - He hears the prayers of His children! (*Have kids say this with you or finish the sentence to practice*)
- In our story, God's people needed help. So they called out and prayed to God for help. Did He answer? **Yes!** God always hears the prayers of His children.
- Even today, anywhere you are, God hears and sees you just like He heard the Israelites in our story.
- **God is attentive! He hears the prayers of His children.**

LOVE the God of the Gospel - Response Activities

ACTIVITY: Burning bush coloring sheet. You can either just color this, or you can use the tissue paper squares and glue provided to make a "fire" on the bush. Up to your discretion!



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Safety Protocols to Note

All safety protocols are outlined in the updated guide. But these are specific ones to note. Signs will be posted in each room as reminders of these.

Open Door Rule - our classroom doors are dutch doors. Top door must stay open if scheduling does not permit for two volunteers to be present in the room.

Restrooms - If accompanying a child, volunteers should remain in the doorway to provide supervision. If the child needs assistance, you should do so in the doorway of the restroom.

Emergency Procedures

- Fire:
 - Babies - Use rolling crib and stroller to evacuate babies
 - Toddlers/PreK - Use evacuation ropes in cabinet to evacuate
- Intruder: Use Barracuda Defense Lock System located behind each door to secure door closed. Place all children in unseen corner of room.
- Tornado:
 - Early Childhood - Place babies in rolling crib/stroller and evacuate room to area by large group cabinet. Close all class doors.
 - Kinder - 3rd - Relocate to large group space along wall with cabinets. Close all class doors.