

COVID-19 Guidelines for SPPC Children's Ministries

START DATE: We plan on resuming in-person children's ministries on September 20. Of course, we will be monitoring the COVID-19 infection numbers which could change our opening date. Our reopening on September 20 also depends upon the recruitment of sufficient ministry partners to accomplish our plan.

SCREENING: We will screen our teachers, helpers and students entering the New or Old Testament hallways upon arrival to avoid anyone with signs of illness being admitted to children's ministries. Children will need to be accompanied by one parent and observe social distancing of 6 feet while waiting to be screened. We ask parents to be transparent about their child's health. Each ministry partner or child will be checked-in and assessed for: fever over 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit (currently or for the last 24 hours), runny nose, coughing, shortness of breath, sore throat/hoarseness, etc. A child will be removed from the classroom if sick. Stay home if you have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks or have had known contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks.

PREVENTING SPREAD: Infection control and preventative measures will be based on what is currently known about the transmission and severity of coronavirus disease by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and American Academy of Pediatrics. At present everyone should practice hand hygiene and surfaces in the classroom surfaces should be disinfected. Based upon Caring for Our Children recommendations regarding classroom size we will observe the following limitations:

- Pre-Kindergarten / Classroom 1 - maximum of 7 students
- Kindergarten / Classroom 3 - maximum of 8 students
- Grade 1 / Classroom 5 - maximum of 8 students
- Grade 2 / Classroom - maximum of 8 students 7
- Grade 3 / Classroom 6 - maximum of 8 students
- Grades 4 & 5 / Classrooms 2 & 4 - maximum of 16 students
- Newborns / Crib nursery - maximum of 4 babies
- Toddlers / Toddler nursery - maximum of 5 toddlers
- Two-year-olds / Preschool Two room - maximum of 5 two-year-olds
- Three-year-olds / Preschool Three room - maximum of 6 three-year-olds

RSVP: In the weekly Wednesday church email there will be a link to RSVP to reserve a spot for your children for the upcoming Sunday. Those who do not RSVP will be given the remaining classroom spots upon arrival until the maximum capacity is reached. In order to utilize every room to the fullest, we will ask the parents that did RSVP to notify Donna Love by text (407-341-9344) if their child is no longer going to be at church on Sunday. Every effort will be made not to turn any child away.

RESTROOMS: When taking children to the restrooms, they must maintain social distancing. Two people may go into the restroom at a time. Children must wash their hands after using the restroom.

DISMISSAL: To avoid congestion in both the New Testament and Old Testament hallways after class or at the end of worship, a staggered system of releasing the children will be put in place.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION: We will work to constantly adapt our guidelines to the latest information available knowing that what we propose today is not yet based upon an exact science.