



Train up a child in the way that he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

Director's Newsletter

Cross of Hope Preschool teaches children the truths of God in a loving environment through a quality educational program that respects each child's development.

March 2020

Parent/Teacher Conferences are being held on March 9 & 10. Please make sure to sign up for a time to meet with your child's teacher to talk about how your child is progressing in preschool. We have been working hard on updating and improving our curriculum and have developed a comprehensive set of goals and objectives called the Cross of Hope Preschool Developmental Objectives. As a part of this process we have also implemented a new and more authentic approach to assessment. At the conferences the teachers will go over your child's individual assessment with you as well as share evidence of how your child has progressed and learned this school year.

Calendar of Events

March 9-10	Parent/Teacher Conferences- school closed
March 17-18	Spring Pictures
March 27-28	Wildlife Rescue Presentations (Fours)
March 30-April 3	Spring Break

March Concept: Cycles

Key Learning Connections:

- Cycles are a process or pattern that makes something happen.
- Earth has many kinds of cycles (all living things have a cycle).

Sibling Policy Change

We have changed our sibling policy with regards to older children. For Special Person Days we can no longer allow older siblings to come and participate. We know that the preschool children love to have their older siblings come on their Special Person Day and that the older siblings enjoy it. We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause your family. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Smile! Picture Days are Tuesday, March 17 and Wednesday, March 18

Class pictures will be taken as well as individual photos of children whose parents choose that option. Order forms will be sent out soon. Orders must be pre-paid.



When I Play I Learn...

When I scribble and draw I learn...



Preschool Openings 2020-2021 Now enrolling for part-time and full-time programs.

Registration for next school year is underway. Please help us spread the word! If you know of any friends or family members who might be interested in sending their children to our Nationally Accredited, 5-star rated, 2018 Best of the City preschool please have them call us at 899-0928. Thank you!

- to hold a pencil or other drawing implements, and to control the pressure;
- eye-hand coordination;
- to exercise my creativity and imagination;
- that my ideas have value;
- concepts of color, shape, size and location
- to express myself with words when describing my drawing
(An ELEA Early Childhood Education Resource)

March Chapel News

Bible Concept: God loves everyone!

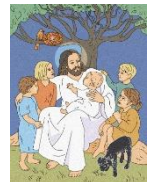
Bible Stories: The Good Samaritan, The Woman at the Well, Jesus Loves Zacchaeus, Jesus Loves the Children

Bible Verse: "I will be glad and rejoice in your love." (Psalm 31:7)



Bible Verse Song: (Tune: She'll be Comin' Round the Mountain)

I will be glad and rejoice in your love.
I will be glad and rejoice in your love.
I will be glad and rejoice.
I will be glad and rejoice
I will be glad and rejoice in your love.



Fruit of the Spirit: Gentleness

Bible Truths

The idea of Jesus being our friend and helper may seem sweet but distant to some of us. However, for those who encountered Jesus, His genuine acceptance and real friendship was a reality that taught vivid lessons of friendship to those watching!

The children who came to see Jesus were shooed away by disciples who apparently thought children weren't worthy of Jesus' attention. The woman at the well was a known sinner and social outcast, a Samaritan who expected disgust from a righteous Jew. Zacchaeus, a tax collector in cahoots with the hated Romans, was a thief. These people didn't meet society's standards of importance. They expected to be ignored, avoided or even hated.

Yet Jesus let it be known that society's measure of a person's value is neither accurate nor important in His Kingdom. He rebuked the disciples for their deeply wrong attitude toward children and then took the children in His arms and blessed them! Jesus showed the Samaritan woman loving respect and revealed His mission to her more fully than He had as yet to any other person. And Jesus stopped to look for and call Zacchaeus by name. Jesus' actions loudly declared that His love, acceptance and grace are offered freely to anyone who will receive them.

We can demonstrate the good news of Jesus' love to the children in our lives. Even when our patience is stretched, Jesus can live out *His* loving acceptance through us. As we ask Him to help us see specific ways He wants to show His love and acceptance to each child, we can rely on Him to do that through us—making and eternal difference.

Bible Words to Know

Rejoice: To be happy and glad. We can rejoice because God loves us!

Lord: "Lord" is another name for Jesus. Jesus helps us, even when we're afraid.

Gentleness: Gentleness means you are calm and careful. It is being quiet with your voice and soft with your touch.