

# **Nursery**

## **(Birth-2 Years)**

The phase when there is little sleep, babies alternate between being huggable, adorable, amazing joyful miniature people ...to being unreasonable dictators refusing all love and care the next.

Babies arrive in a world where they don't know the language and have little control over their bodies. Yet, they are learning new skills-first steps, pulling off their socks and quickly forming first impressions about themselves and the world.

Babies want to know, "Am I safe?"

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Nursery**

- 1. God's presence will be felt and received by parents and babies when they enter the room. Babies will experience and hear:**
  - God loves me.**
  - God made me.**
- 2. Babies will know they are safe, they are loved.**
- 3. Parents' spirits be uplifted and energized as they attend service, connect with others, and gain wisdom to raise and support the precious new life God has blessed them with.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team as they welcome our youngest friends; that their hearts will be ready to comfort, play, pray blessings, and keep the babies safe during their time away from their parents.**

# **Toddlers**

**(1.5–2 Years)**

The phase when it's hard for parents to be on time, clothes may not match, and determined toddlers will insist, "I can do it."

Life is adventurous at this age. Everything they want to do requires learning new skills getting dressed, using words, using the potty. But they are discovering their potential.

This age wants to know, "Am I able?"

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Toddlers**

- 1. God will bring more toddlers to our church.**
- 2. From floor to ceiling, this space will be used to bring honor to God, that His word will be both modeled and taught as kids learn:**
  - God loves me.**
  - God made me.**
  - God wants to be my friend forever.**
- 3. Kids will enter the room with excitement and wonder.**
- 4. Parents will encourage each other by sharing stories of the new things their kids are learning about.**
- 5. Kids Min will build a team to meet the needs of this age group and model His love in all that they say and do.**

# **PreK A**

**(2-3.5 Years)**

The phase when nobody's on time, everything is a mess, and the eager preschooler will insist, "I can do it."

Life is never dull at this age. They are building their confidence and pressing boundaries to find out what they are capable of. From helping set the table, learning new words, to tying their shoes, they are discovering their potential.

This age wants to know, "Am I able?"

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for PreK A**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this space will be used to bring honor to God, filling the room with God's Word and true joy. Pray kids come to understand:**
  - God loves me.**
  - God made me.**
  - God wants to be my friend forever.**
- 2. Kids will transition to the new room with excitement and confidence.**
- 3. Parents will connect and grow together, building community with others and finding out what it means to "pursue the life adventure of following Jesus together" as a family.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will encourage kids as they discover their potential and learn that they are able to love God and love others because that's the way God made them.**

# **PreK B**

**(3.5 Years-TK)**

The phase when anything can be imagined, everything can be a game, and one curious preschooler wants to know, “Why?” Life for a preschooler can be confusing. It’s okay to throw a ball, but not a rock. You can hug your friends, but not squeeze their necks.

They also learn social rules like you can’t pick your nose and eat it. Every day, they are learning new rules usually after breaking them.

Preschoolers want to know,  
“Am I okay?”

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for PreK B**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this space will be used to bring honor to God; that He will fill the room with His precious word and the true joy that it brings to everyone. That this will be a place where kids know, understand and share with others that:**
  - God loves me.**
  - God made me.**
  - God wants to be my friend forever.**
- 2. Kids will transition to the new room with excitement and confidence.**
- 3. Parents will encourage each other as they navigate the challenges specific to this age, and that you will give them answers to the difficult questions their curious kids ask about God and how things work.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will meet kids where they are, sharing with them the wonder and goodness of God; modeling unconditional love and grace toward everyone.**



# **K-Grade 2**

The phase when unfiltered words make you laugh, going to school can make you cry, and life becomes a stage where kids shout, “Look at me!”

Life for kids at this age is about adjusting to big changes and life gets busy-going to school, homework, recreational sports, after-school programs. The stress of change can be a platform for discovery and growth, yet we don't want to miss the thing they need most: Knowing God.

K-2nd graders want to know,  
“Do I have your attention?”

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for K-Grade 2**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this space will be used to bring honor to God; that the room will be filled with God's word, deep discussions and fun. Pray that here is where kids learn:**
  - I can trust God no matter what.**
  - I need to make the wise choice.**
  - I should treat others the way I want to be treated.**
- 2. Kids will transition to the new room with excitement and invite their unchurched friends along for the fun.**
- 3. Parents will encourage each other to keep Christ at the center of all they do. Pray both I volunteers and parents show kids how to live their faith 24/7, everywhere.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will give each kid their attention (eyes to catch them doing God things, ears to hear their concerns and praises, - words to build up their faith) so kids know God sees and hears them too.**

# Grade 3-5

The phase when fairness matters most, differences get noticed, friends are best friends, games are for competition, and where enthusiastic and confident kids think most things “Sounds like fun!” and “I got this.”

Life is starting to get complicated, as kids at this age are discovering their uniqueness; their bodies are changing a lot, they understand different points of view and are easily influenced. These kids need positive experiences with parents, mentors and peers as they navigate the pre-teen years.

3rd-5th graders want to know,  
“Do I have friends?”

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Grades 3-5**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this space will be used to bring honor to God, filling the room with God's Word, deep discussions and lots of fun. Kids will grasp truths, including:**
  - I can trust God no matter what.**
  - I need to make the wise choice.**
  - I should treat others the way I want to be treated.**
- 2. Kids will transition to the new room with excitement and confidence and are motivated to invite their unchurched friends.**
- 3. Parents will share wisdom and support each other as they navigate the changes that come with puberty and worldly influences.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will have wisdom to foster a safe and fun environment where kids can make godly friendships.**
- 5. Parents and volunteers help these kids build healthy friendships, and help them to be confident in their faith and apply His truth to whatever is put before them.**

# **Buddies**

**(mainly K-grade 5)**

The phase for kids who need a buddy is as unique as they are. Whether it's having a harder time expressing feelings, being overstimulated, being hyper-focused each child is capable of learning the joy to be found in worship, and engaging with God, confidently knowing "I am accepted and loved as I am."

Life needs to be more flexible for our kids that need a buddy; as they learn how they process, they may need help with movement, refocusing or communication.

This group wants to know, "Am I loved and do I have value?"

# **Prayer Prompts for Buddies**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, the special tools in this room will be used to engage kids to bring honor to God by learning His Word and the true joy He plants in our hearts. In this space, lead these kids by faith to understand:**
  - God loves me and made me.**
  - God wants to be my friend forever.**
  - God can shine through me.**
- 2. Kids will transition to the new room smoothly with excitement, feeling they not only belong, but they are important members of the body of Christ here at Bridges.**
- 3. Parents will feel supported and encourage one another by sharing knowledge, resources and wisdom, and that they will celebrate growth as they continue to flex through each phase of their kids' lives.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will be inspired by God's spirit to learn and understand the needs of each kid in the room in order to foster their spiritual growth.**

# **Large Group**

## **Space**

**Life is challenging. Kids wrestle with broken friendships, disappointments, death, war and begin to question what is true.**

**In this space, we focus our hearts and minds through worship and invest time to learn about our one true God from the Bible, the God who saves us and is always there for us in good and hard times. Our God is our guide, and He uses the Bible to tell us how to live our lives to love Him and others.**

**All the kids desire to know,  
“Is God really who He says He is?”**

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Large Group Space**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this room will be filled with kids and leaders worshipping the Lord wholeheartedly; the Word of God will be presented in a way that engages kids and helps them understand God loves them and shows them how to love others.**
- 2. Kids will come to this room with anticipation and eagerness to learn something new from God's word.**
- 3. Kids Min Serve Team will grow in their faith by witnessing the kids' desire to know the truth; that God will grow their desire to invest in walking alongside the next generation and show them how to be authentic with the kids.**



# **Small Group Spaces**

The world tempts kids, just like adults, to live different values than what God tells us through His word. Kids wrestling with difficult issues: What is being a good friend? Why do bad things like death and wars happen? What is true?

In this space, we dive into God's word through activities that help us understand the Bible and learn what truth is; small group leaders will share their faith and how to apply it to our lives.

All the kids desire to know,  
"What does authentic look like?"

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Small Group Spaces**

- 1. This room will be filled with spiritual conversations that spur faith; that kids will dig deeper in the word of God. May prayers be shared, and praises celebrated; and discussions will lead to helping kids to live out their lives.**
- 2. Kids will arrive early to connect with each other and find trusting friends with which they can share their questions, concerns, celebrate “AHA” moments.**
- 3. Kids Min Serve Team will have the wisdom to navigate conversations, so each kid is seen and heard. That the words spoken by leaders will provide understanding of God’s Word; that they will be blessed with Christ-centered friendships and encourage one another to share age appropriate examples of putting their faith into practice with the kids.**
- 4. That the Kids Min Serve Team will be blessed and have their spirits renewed as they mentor the next generation.**

# Check-in

In this space, every family will be warmly welcomed with joy and feel blessed to gather together to worship God.

The check-in area helps create a safe, secure and smooth system to get kids into their class quickly so parents can experience the whole worship service to grow in their faith.

The parents desire is to know,  
“Will my kids be safe with you?”

The kids desire is to know,  
“Can I check myself in?”

# **Prayer Prompts**

## **for Check-in**

- 1. The space upfront will be easily seen for all families to feel welcomed, know where to go, and excited to be here.**
- 2. That the new check-in system will operate smoothly and be more efficient for everyone. That kids will encourage the family to come early so the parents can experience the whole worship service.**
- 3. Parents will feel joy coming up to the check-in area, knowing their kids will have fun, be safe and grow in God.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will warmly welcome all families so the whole family knows they belong here.**

# Hallways

Hallways are bridges to classrooms and conversations. Parents connect, the serve team share praises or tag in to help. The energy in the hallways is a gateway to the atmosphere in and out of the rooms.

In this space we hear the conversations between parent and child, “Have a great time.” and “What did you learn today?” Other important conversations between parents who share stories of joy or frustration often leading to praises or a time of prayer together.

Parents and kids want to know, “What will God say to me today?”

# **Prayer Prompts for Hallways**

- 1. From floor to ceiling, this space will be designed in a way that will welcome families and set the tone for a fun time of worship and learning.**
- 2. Kids will be eager and excited to join in a morning of learning and engaging with God as they find their way to their classrooms; and after class, that they will eagerly share what they learned from the Bible that day.**
- 3. Parents will encourage their family to grow closer to Jesus and to each other.**
- 4. Kids Min Serve Team will affirm spiritual conversations by praying for kids and families, and graciously hanging out with the kids in their small groups, investing a few extra minutes; inviting the Holy Spirit to move use the time to edify families.**