

**Sunday Programs**

Nursery for Infants &amp; Toddlers: 8:30-12:45

Sunday School: 8:30-9:45 and 11:30-12:45

Children's Worship: 10-11:15

**Note from the Director**

Happy New Year! "Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth." – Ps 96:1.

That is exactly what we will be doing this year at CGBC Kids. This new year rings in with



optimism and much anticipation of what God will do in our church through our Children's Ministry. God is definitely working in our midst and we are happy to give you a glimpse into what is happening here.

In March, we will be officially introducing the Sonshine Center, our newly improved Early Childhood Ministry for our infants and toddlers. For our older kids, we will be revamping their Worship hour, helping to create an environment where it would be easy for them to invite their friends to church. The children are hard at work brainstorming a name for their Worship time and creating logos and other artwork for their room.

We thank God for our dedicated volunteers, parents, and the church family for their continued support. "All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it." – 1 Corinthians 12:27. If you would like to be a part of God's work here at CGBC Kids, please reach out to me at [lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org](mailto:lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org).

***The Sonshine Center - Early Childhood Ministry for Infants and Toddlers***

In this newsletter, we would like to highlight our Nursery Program. Our Nursery, with the help of our dedicated team of volunteers, has undergone an exciting transformation, including adopting a new name, the Sonshine Center. Be on the lookout for our new signs!

Our ultimate goal is to create a God-centered environment where our infants and toddlers can learn to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your strength and with all your mind ..." (Luke 10:27). We do this by using a teaching approach that intertwines Biblical truths into their normal activities here at the Center. We also subscribe to a curriculum through Discipleland that teaches children about God's creation and God's love for them.

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## *The Sunshine Center (continued)*

The Center is open on Sundays from 8:30am until 1:00pm and serves children from birth until 3.5 years old. The program is separated into three sessions, all of which coincide with the time adult church programs are held so that parents can attend their own programs without having to worry about their children.

8:00-9:45 – Incidental Teaching and Free Play

10:00-11:15 – Free Play, Bible Lesson, Beginner’s Worship, and Snack Time

11:30-12:45 – Incidental Teaching and Free Play.

Given all these exciting changes, we are looking for more volunteers to work with our little ones as well as a volunteer to serve as Nursery Program Administrator. If you would like to be a part of our Early Childhood Ministry, please contact [lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org](mailto:lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org).

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## *Program Updates*

Children’s Sunday School (ages 3 and up): You are encouraged to bring your children to Sunday School. Classes are offered at two times: 8:30am and 11:30am. Our dedicated teachers thoughtfully prepare lessons to help your children grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus and with each other. We don’t want them to miss out!

Beginner’s Worship (Preschool and Kindergarten): During the 10:00 hour, we have a class specifically designed for 3-year-olds and another class specific to 4 and 5-year-olds. Here, children participate in crafts and other fun activities, learn a Bible lesson, and join together to sing God’s praises with our Beginner’s Worship Team.

Children’s Worship (1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade): Starting in February, we will be restructuring our Children’s Worship time, which is at 10:00. When children come in, they will be greeted with fun activity stations. Afterwards, the children will transition to their worship time that includes a thoughtfully prepared Bible lesson.

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## *How to Get Connected:*

Join our TEAM! (Together Everyone Achieves More!). We have a place for you whether you are available every week, once per month, or even 10 minutes here and there. Please send your inquires to [lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org](mailto:lillian.leung@chinesegracebiblechurch.org).

Some of our specific needs include:

Activity Leaders for Grades 1&2 and 3-6 during the Children’s Worship hour

Infant & Toddler Workers for the 10:00 hour

Nursery Program Administrator

Mandarin-speaking teachers or aides during the 11:30 hour

Teachers for our Summer Program during the month of July

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