



## Potter Valley Bible Church Nursery

The PVBC nursery ministry allows parents to worship the Lord unencumbered on Lord's day by providing a safe and healthy environment for children to learn and play during the worship service.

We, the nursery staff, strive to do the very best we can to keep this environment a healthy one by ensuring the health of all children in the nursery to the best of our ability. As a parent, you are well aware of how difficult it can be to deal with and care for a sick child. In fact, even nursery can be a very stressful place for a child who isn't feeling well. A child who is recuperating from an illness, dealing with allergies or even suffering from diaper rash, may feel much worse with extended time and energy spent in nursery. It really is best for your child to be at home until he or she is fully recovered. Please don't be alarmed if on occasion, a nursery Supervisor asks you to refrain from putting your child in the nursery because she observes your child may be ill. We sincerely have the very best intentions for your child, your family and the church body.

The Nursery staff wants you to feel comfortable leaving your child in an illness free environment so we have identified some basic principles outlined below for every parent to follow.

### 10 Basic Principles to Follow When Deciding Whether Or Not To Bring Your Child To Nursery:

1. Please do not bring your child to nursery when symptoms are just beginning or ending. **Allow 24 hours** for your child to recuperate and recover from any of the symptoms listed below\* so they may hopefully build a little immunity.
  - ❖ Cold, flu, Coughing or Sneezing a lot
  - ❖ Eye Infection
  - ❖ Chicken Pox or other communicable diseases
  - ❖ Skin or Diaper rash (*If your child has a non-infectious skin rash, please bring a note from the doctor stating just what the rash is. This note will be necessary before the child can be admitted to the nursery*)
  - ❖ Fever
  - ❖ Sore throat or strep throat
  - ❖ Runny nose (*regardless of whether it is clear or discolored*)
  - ❖ Pulling on the ears
  - ❖ Unusually pale or flushed skin
  - ❖ Unusual changes in behavior (*ie grouchy, lack of appetite, listlessness etc*)

*\*We do realize that other circumstances can cause your child to appear ill or sound congested, such as having just woken up, crying, or even an especially windy day. So, after a reasonable wait for dry eyes and/or better disposition, nursery staff will reevaluate your child's symptoms before making the recommendation that a child be removed from the nursery for his/her good as well as for the good of others.*

2. Please do not bring your child to nursery if he or she has experienced nausea, vomiting or diarrhea **within the last 2 days**.
3. Please do not bring your child to nursery if he or she has had immunization shots **in the past 24 hours**.
4. If your child has a chronic non-contagious condition (e.g. eczema, asthma, allergies etc), a special tag can be obtained from the nursery supervisor to better identify your child's medical condition and thereby avoid removal from the nursery for that particular condition. The tag can be obtained when you bring a note from your doctor, written on a prescription pad, with the specific condition named.

**If we all work together, we can keep our nursery a safe and healthy environment for our little ones.**

**Thank you in advance for your cooperation!**