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X	X	1	2 AWANA	3	4	5 Upward Basketball
6 Preschool: Team Day	7	8	9 AWANA	10 SONshine Play Group 9:30 AM	11	12 Upward Basketball
13 Preschool: Valentines Party	14	15	16 AWANA	17 Lil Blessings Play Group 9:30 AM	18	19 Upward Basketball
20 Preschool: Indoor Petting Zoo	21	22	23 Mom's Ministry Chick- Fil-A 10:00 AM AWANA Grand Prix	24	25	26 Upward Basketball
27	28	X	X	X	X	X



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February/March 2011



Celebrate Spiritual Milestones

Marking children's physical "firsts," such as first steps and first words, is an exciting and memorable part of parenting. Just as important, and just as worthy of celebration, are spiritual firsts, or faith milestones.

These milestones, or rites, help children know they're growing up as Christians and continually reconnecting to their faith family. Milestones also allow churches and parents to partner together to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus.

Spiritual occasions that warrant family celebrations include:

Baptism or Dedication—Because children are a gift from God, we "give" them back to God by committing their lives to him. By witnessing a baptism or dedication, fellow church members agree to partner with parents to help raise children in the Christian faith.



Receiving a First Bible—When children receive God's Word, it's like their very own special love letter from God. He wants us to read the Bible and apply it to our lives. Making a "big deal" out of getting a Bible shows kids how important the book is to our faith and its growth.

Transitioning to the Preteen Years—Leaving behind elementary school symbolizes that preteens are beginning to "own" their faith. Somewhere along their spiritual journey, they'll decide whether to draw closer to God or reject him. The great thing is that God is always there, waiting for young people to find him. And he's always there for parents, too, guiding us as we lead our children through faith milestones.

Kids Kamp 2011!

Kids Kamp 2011 is August 1st—5th. Sign ups begin May 1st and ends July 1st. **Registration is limited** so turn in your forms and deposit as soon as possible.

Deposit: \$30.00 due at registration
Balance: \$110.00 due July 18



Vacation Bible School is coming soon. VBS Dates are July 11th—15th

Sign up for our Big Apple Adventure "where faith and life connect." Teacher and helper sign ups will begin in the preschool lobby in March.

Vacation Bible School Institute is back featuring Jeff Slaughter March 11th and 12th at First Baptist Church of Kettering, OH. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Register online at www.scbo.org

If you cannot make it to VBSI don't worry because a Central Ohio training will take place at Violet Baptist Church April 2nd at 10 A.M.

Preschool Ministry February Fun Days

We invite your birth—5 year olds to join us for the following activities in February.

February 6th

Team Day

All children from the preschool department attending class on this day receive a 6" Little Feet Football. Kids and teachers are encouraged to wear their favorite team jersey.

February 13th

Preschool Valentines Party. Cubbie Bear visits during Bible Fellowship classes at 9:45 and 11:00. Parents can bring their camera to take pictures of their child with Cubbie Bear between services.

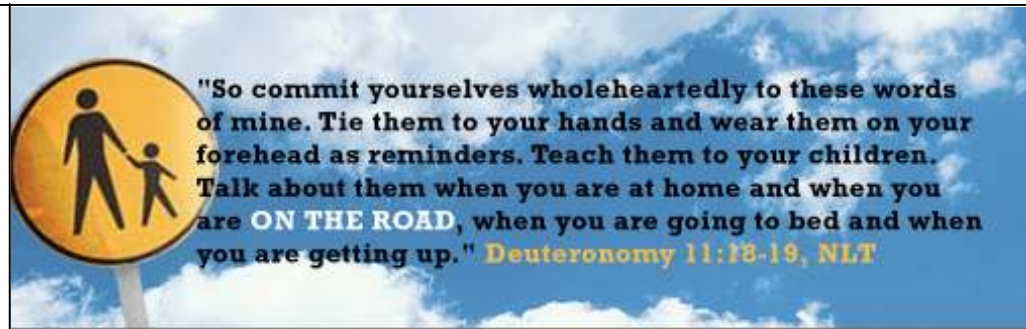
February 20th

Indoor Petting Zoo!

All children from the preschool department will visit the indoor petting zoo during their Bible Fellowship classes at 9:45 and 11:00



little feet
preschool ministry



"So commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these words of mine. Tie them to your hands and wear them on your forehead as reminders. Teach them to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are ON THE ROAD, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up." **Deuteronomy 11:18-19, NLT**



PARENT/CHILD DEDICATIONS

Our next Parent Child Dedication is scheduled for March 13, 2011 during the 9:45 Emerge and 11:00 Live services. If you are an active member of Jersey Baptist Church, and would like to participate in the Parent/Child dedication on March 13, please sign up at the Info Point in the Main Lobby between February 13 -

March 2. Please provide a picture of your child (fully clothed, please!) to be used in a slide presentation during the dedication service.



The goal and purpose of Mom's Ministry is for Moms to spur one another on in our God-given higher calling.

SONshine Kids Play Group

For moms of toddlers and preschoolers to get together for some much needed time of fellowship with other moms and kids. Any mom with children ages 2-5 years old is welcome to join us. Siblings are welcome. We meet in the Indoor Playroom at JBC from 9:30—11:30 on February 10th and March 10th.

Lil Blessings Play Group

For new moms to get together for a play date with other new moms and babies. Any expecting mom or mom with children 0—24 months is welcome to join. We will be meeting at the Indoor Playroom at JBC from 9:30—11:30 AM on February 17 and March 17.

Mom's Ministry Winter Special Events:

Expectant moms, moms with babies, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join us for a fellowship time at Chick-Fil-A on East Broad Street. We'll be meeting from 10:00—11:30 on February 23 and March 23. Cost to fellowship and use of the play place is free, each family is responsible for their own food cost.

Please Note: If Licking Heights is delayed or cancelled due to bad weather, groups will not meet.

Contact Katie Young at 614.506.4626 or Kyoung416@gmail.com with any questions.

This page is designed to help educate parents and isn't meant to endorse any movie, music, or product. Our prayer is that you'll make informed decisions about what your children watch, listen to, and wear.



What's Playing at the Movies

Movie: *Gnomeo & Juliet* (Feb. 11)

Genre: 3D animated comedy

Rating: G

Cast: James McAvoy, Emily Blunt, Michael Caine

Synopsis: In this film, which features several songs from Elton John, two garden gnomes get caught up in a feud between neighbors. Despite their many obstacles, Gnomeo and Juliet try to find lasting happiness.

Discussion Questions: How would you define "love"? Why does everyone seek love? What challenges stand in the way of having loving relationships? Read aloud 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. Which of these traits of love is the most difficult, in your opinion? What are some ways we can love other people better—even when they don't act lovingly in return?



What Music Is Releasing

Artist: Yancy Richmond

Album: *Stars, Guitars & Megaphone Dreams*

Artist Info: Yancy, a Christian singer, songwriter, and worship leader, grew up in the church. She loves ministering to preteens through songs that empower them and praise God at the same time.

Summary: Yancy's new album contains energetic anthems and heartfelt ballads. The song "God Is for Me" is about "putting our confidence and future in God's hands," she says. "I'm really thankful for the promises in God's Word [and] how we can hold fast to those things, whether we're in the valley or the mountaintop, because God is on our side!"

Discussion Questions: How comfortable are you with the thought of putting your entire future in God's hands? Explain. In what ways do you feel like God is rooting for you? Read aloud Romans 8:26-28, 37-39. How can God's promises help you be more confident in your faith?



What Games Are Out

Title	Content	Rating & Platform
<i>Herotopia.com</i>	In this virtual world, players learn about global culture and defeat bullies. Some portions are free; others require paid membership.	Web; ages 6-12
<i>Learn Science</i>	Mini-games teach players about anatomy, biology, physics, and more. Geared toward first-through fourth-graders.	E; Nintendo DS
<i>Lost in Shadow</i>	In this fantasy-based game, the action takes place between shadows. Violence has a key role but isn't excessive or graphic.	E10+; Wii

RATINGS: EC=Early Childhood, E=Everyone (ages 6+), E10+ (ages 10+), T=Teen (ages 13+)



What's happening right now that may affect your children and family:

- Parenting forecasts for 2011 include more emphasis on "couple time," child-rearing philosophies such as RIE and Free-Range Kids, and "flash sale sites" for buying kiddie gear.



- Kid-trend predictions include 1980s fashions, personalized party décor, more GPS-tracking technology, and iPad-hungry youngsters. (ivillage.com)

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