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May News

I hope all of you are well and in great spirits and enjoying the beautiful spring weather! As the days grow longer and the flowers bloom, we're excited to share some highlights from our ministry.

First and foremost, we're delighted to announce that teachers from Wisconsin will be arriving on May 11th, 2024! They'll be joining us to work on the summer program, and we couldn't be more thrilled. It's always wonderful to welcome new faces and fresh perspectives into our community, and we're excited to see the positive impact they'll have on our children's summer experiences.

Our Wisconsin Teachers are brimming with enthusiasm and creativity as they prepare for the summer program. They've already got their activities all mapped out and are eager to share their plans with us. From arts and crafts to outdoor adventures, they've got something fun in store for everyone.

Second, we are excited to share some wonderful news with you about a new addition to our program called Open Arms Angels!

Open Arms Angels is a heartwarming ministry comprised of retired seniors who generously volunteer their time to support our preschoolers during small group activities. These amazing individuals bring decades of wisdom, experience, and love to our classrooms.

During their two-hour visits, the Open Arms Angels engage our little ones in activities that reinforce essential skills such as math, reading, language, and social development. Their presence not only enhances our curriculum but also fosters meaningful connections between generations. We are incredibly grateful for the invaluable contribution of the OA Angels and the positive impact they have on our preschoolers' growth and development.

As always, we're immensely grateful for your love and support. Your encouragement fuels our spirits and inspires us to strive for greatness. May the coming months be filled with joy, laughter, and boundless opportunities for growth.

Thank You!

I wanted to take a moment to extend my heartfelt thanks to the Prollack Family and Rocizer Family for graciously giving your time and effort last Saturday to work on our backyard project.

Your willingness to come together on a weekend to enhance our outdoor environment speaks volumes about your dedication to our Open Arm's children and your commitment to making our surroundings safe and inviting. Your support is invaluable and plays a crucial role in the success of our program.

It's through collective efforts like yours that we can create a space that fosters connection, relaxation, and enjoyment for all. Your contributions not only beautify our backyard but also create a sense of pride and ownership among us all.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support.



5/12 /2024 Mothers Day

5/20/ 2024 Summer program begins

5/27/2024 Memorial Day-Center Closed

6/1/2024. Volunteer hours are due

In the Spot light!



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Introducing our Employee of the Month, Ms. Yineth Serrato! Dedicated, loving, and respectful towards both children and staff alike, Ms. Yineth embodies the essence of what it means to be an exceptional team member. Her unwavering commitment to creating a nurturing environment for everyone around her is truly inspiring. With her placid demeanor and reliability, she brings a sense of calm and stability to our team, enriching the lives of those she interacts with daily. We are truly blessed to have her as an integral part of our ministry, and we celebrate her outstanding contributions. Congratulations, Ms. Yineth, on this well-deserved recognition!

Volunteer Hour Ideas

As we approach the end of our fiscal year in June, we're reaching out to seek volunteers for two important projects: **window washing and chair washing**. These tasks are essential for maintaining a clean and welcoming environment for everyone in our community.

Volunteers play a crucial role in helping us achieve our goals, and we greatly appreciate your willingness to contribute. Please keep in mind that volunteering for these projects counts towards your annual commitment of 12 volunteer hours, which helps us sustain our operations effectively.

If you're able to spare some time to lend a hand, please let us know your availability. Your support will make a significant difference in our efforts to maintain a clean and organized space for all.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and support.

New Happenings at Open Arms.

We're excited to announce that all classrooms now boast brand-new bathrooms! Yayy! This upgrade ensures a more comfortable and convenient experience for both students and staff.

In addition, please join us in extending a warm welcome to Ms. Rebeca, our new Teacher Assistant in the Toddler 1 room. We're thrilled to have her on board, and we're confident she'll make a wonderful addition to our team.

Furthermore, we'd like to inform you that Serwah, our Assistant Teacher in Toddler 1, will be taking a short break to assist her husband. We wish her all the best and look forward to her return in June.

Meals are included in the tuition:

Breakfast is served from 7:45-8:30

Morning snack is from 10:00-10:30

Lunch is from 11:00-12:30

Afternoon snack is from 3:00-3:30

TUITION

Infant - \$1,450.00

Wobbler- \$1,300.00

Toddler- \$1,210.00

Preschool \$985.00

Parenting Tips

Parents are the most valuable and powerful teachers in a child's life. Children watch carefully how the important adults in their life act and react in every situation.

Tips for Building a Positive Parent-Child Relationship

- Listen and empathize with your child.
- Create an environment where your child feels comfortable exploring.
- Show your love through gentle and loving touch (i.e., hugs) and by saying "I love you" often.
- Set aside time daily to interact distraction free.
- Spend quality time together including play.
- Set boundaries, rules, and consequences.
- Eat meals together and converse.
- Be in the moment with your child.
- Create family rituals and routines.
- Validate their feelings.

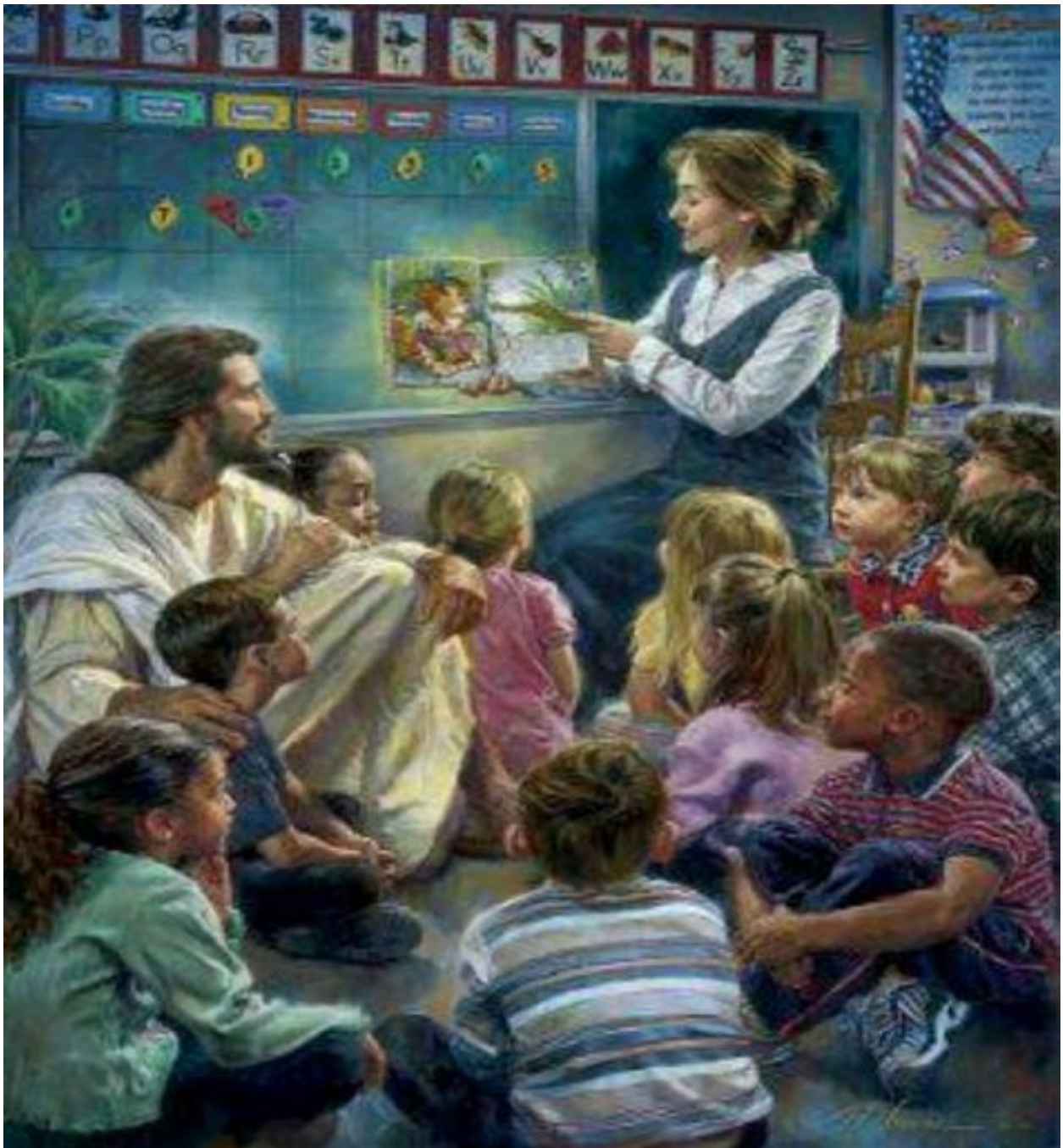
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COUNSELING CENTER



OUR MISSION

TO PROCLAIM CHRIST'S LOVE TO CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES BY PROVIDING A NURTURING AND EDUCATIONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



Preschool-3 Earth Day Cleaning!



Toddler 1

ART

Music and movement



MATH

Toddlers working together on shape recognition .

Wobbler 1

Our community helpers.

