



Clifton Park Center Baptist Preschool

December 2005

PRESCHOOL PIPELINE

We are approaching the end of the year 2005. Where does the time go? This is an exciting time with preparation and surprises! We will work together to maintain a certain amount of calmness. The children will help find an evergreen tree to decorate for the season. We will act out the nativity during class time and celebrate the birth of Jesus with a party on December 20 and 21.

The children are beginning to form relationships with their peers. We would encourage play dates with some of their friends. Now that the children are feeling comfortable, we are happy to say they are interacting with their peers as well as the teacher. Through a course some of us attended, "Growing Kids God's Way", we learned a child needs to lay his/her hand on the adult's arm when the adult is engaged in conversation. When that conversation is over, the child understands that it is now his/her turn. They really can do this!! It is amazing to see how quickly they learn not to interrupt. We have been encouraging the children to cough into their elbow. It has been proven to allow for less germs to be spread on things they touch.

The winter season means dressing appropriately. By that we mean labeled hats and mittens, placed in the sleeve of the coat or in a large shopping bag with handles for boots and snow pants. We encourage the children to get themselves dressed to go outside but we are ready to assist and offer encouragement. We do have some parent volunteers to help us get dressed for play and if you are available, please sign up to come back at 11:00 AM.

We will go to the Senior Center on Route 146 to sing Christmas songs Wednesday, December 14 at 9:45 am.

Be sure to place your calendar in a conspicuous place. Each year we try to make it a special time by exchanging a \$5.00 gift appropriate for a boy or girl in your child's class. We will have a name exchange the first week of December. You will bring the gift in, wrapped, no later than the week of December 12. It would be appreciated if you would ask your child what the boy or girl he/she picks would like.



A sign up will be posted for you to bring some treats for our Christmas parties. I encourage those who have not brought in treats already to sign up. Please have the gift here a week before our party in case of illness. School will not be in session Thursday, December 22nd and Friday, December 23rd unless we have to reschedule the party because of snow.

You and your family are invited to attend a Christmas Pageant at the church on December 10 and 11 at 4 pm. Your child is making a halo to wear on December 10 and/or December 11 in the Pageant.

Registration forms for September ('05-'06 school year) will be available upon your return from Christmas break on Monday, January 2nd, 2006 and Tuesday, January 3rd, 2006. At this time a \$35 registration fee will assure your enrollment. The siblings of families already enrolled in the preschool will have first preference. The second week, registration will open to the community.

Merry Christmas from Mrs. Robyck & Staff

