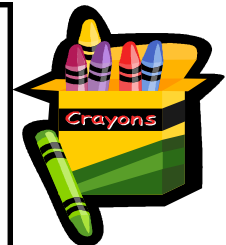




BEAR-Y GOOD NEWS August 2008



Well, the new semester is here! The beginning of a new year! We have some new children attending this semester and we want to welcome them and their parents, but we also have some new teacher faces. Some of our teachers have been here, but are just in different places. To help you know the teachers better, They have written a little bit about each one of them.

Level A

Reba Crawford (lead teacher)

My name is Reba Crawford. I have been married to my husband, Floyd Crawford of 35 years. We have three children and 7 grandchildren. I have been working with children for 17 years. I love working with babies and my heart is with the other children as well. I'd like to say thanks for allowing us to love your children, as well as take care of them.

Anne Graves (assistant teacher)

My name is Anne Grave and I have been at Kare Bear for 7 months. My husband Joe and I have been married for 26 years. I have a son, Jake, who is a law student a Mississippi state and a daughter, McCall who is a senior at OCCHS. We attend Exchange Street Church of Christ. I love working with the babies. It is a very rewarding job!

Faye Scott (assistant teacher)

My name is Faye Scott. My husband, Larry and I live in Woodland Mills. I have been working at Kare Bear for almost four years. I've always loved working with children and feel it is a special gift from God. I am excited to be working in the baby room.

Level B

Mallory Burton (lead teacher)

My name is Mallory Burton and I have worked at Kare Bear for 3 years. I am the lead teacher in the young toddler room. I love working with the children. My husband, Josh and I, have a three-year-old daughter, Abi. I am looking forward to a great and exciting year.

Lacye Jones (assistant teacher)

My name is Lacye Jones and I have been working at Kare Bear for 2 1/2 years. I am Mrs. Mallory's assistant teacher in the young toddler class. I enjoy watching these children grow from babies into toddlers. My husband, Jeremy and I have, been married for 4 years and have two daughters. Shelby is three and Meredith is 7 months.

Becky Whitlow (assistant teacher)

My name is Becky Whitlow and I have live in Union City for 4 years. I have two daughters, Hannah and Allie and am expecting a baby boy in October. I have been working at Kare Bear for nine months. I enjoy my job because I love working with children.

Level C

Joni Southerland (lead teacher)

My name is Joni Southerland and I live here in Union City. I have three children Amanda, Brian, and Adam. I also have a grandson named Jackson, who is two years old. I have worked at Kare Bear sfor almost a year. I am very excited about being lead teacher because I love children.

Emily Ross (assistant teacher)

My name is Emily Ross and I am married to Justin Ross. We are expecting our first child in September. I have a Bachelors Degree in Education from UTM with three years teaching experience. I have been working at Kare Bear for 10 months.

Cari Beth Cash (assistant teacher)

My name is Cari Beth Cash and I attend DSCC, where I am pursuing a degree in nursing and possibly secondary education. I have worked at Kare Bear for two months and I absolutely love working here.

Level D

Amy Pool (lead teacher)

My name is Amy Pool and I am the lead teacher in the two year old class. I have been at Kare Bear for almost 2 years. I have been married for 13 1/2 years and have two sons. Jonathan is a fifth grader at Ridgemont and Jacob is a four year old at Kare Bear. I enjoy reading and watching sports.

Katie Worrell (assistant teacher)

My name is Katie Worrell and I am married to John Worrell and we have a toddler, Ali Beth. I have worked at Kare Bear for two years and am very excited about the new semester. I love my job because I love working with children.

Audrea Wallace (assistant teacher)

My name is Audrea Wallace and I have been working at Kare Bear for almost a year. I have had a great time working here. I work in the twos and have enjoyed every minute of it. I have one brother, Chase, who is a senior at OCCHS. When I am not working I like to play golf.

Level E

Nancy Roney (lead teacher)

My name is Nancy Roney and I am married to Aaron Roney (Super). I have 2 sons and three beautiful grandchildren. I have worked at Kare Bear for 13 years. My favorite place is the three

year olds. I feel this job is where God led me. My prayer everyday is that your children will feel loved and safe at Kare Bear.

Cindy Black (assistant teacher)

My name is Cindy Black. I have been married for nearly 20 years and have two children. I have worked at Kare Bear for almost a year in the three year old class. I really like working with the children and watching them change and grow. They are such a blessing, plus it is a fine job.

Bethany Walker (assistant teacher)

My name is Bethany Walker and I am married to Brent Walker. I am a junior at DSCC, where I am majoring in nursing. I have been at Kare Bear for 8 months. This year I will be working in the three year old class.

Elizabeth Barnes (assistant teacher)

My name is Elizabeth Barnes. I am a sophomore at UTM, where I am majoring in elementary education/pre-k. I have been at Kare Bear for 3 years and have taught in all ages from babies to school age. This year I will be working in the three year old room.

Level F

Lyn Brown (lead teacher)

My name is Lyn Brown and I am married to Dr. Bruce Brown, M.D. We have three children. I have my masters Degree in education, Pre-K certification, and I am also a registered nurse. I am at Kare Bear because I have fun and enjoy being with the children. I am really excited about teaching the three/fours again this year. I love reading and science, and hope to provide a safe, loving atmosphere for learning and fun.

Dawn Crawford (assistant teacher)

My name is Dawn Crawford and I am new at Kare Bear. I am Mrs. Lyn's assistant in the 3/4 classroom. I would like to thank you for allowing me to teach your children. I grew up in Troy and married my childhood sweetheart, Gary. We have been married for almost 15 years. Our son, Jacob is 10 and our daughter, Kailyn is 5. We attend The Branch Christian Fellowship where my husband is the pastor and I sing and play the piano. We enjoy spending time with our family and friends.

Linsley Beth Hughes (assistant/floater)

My Name is Linsley Beth Hughes and I attend UTM where I am pursuing degree in education. I have been working at Kare Bear for about 6 years. I work every summer with the school age group. Kare Bear is the best place to work. I love my job!

Level G

Susan Scott (lead teacher)

My name is Susan Scott. My husband, Steve and I have three children and one grandson. I have worked in both the two's and the four's over the past 19 years. I have my degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. I am very excited about the new year and love working with all the children.

Debbie Fowlkes (assistant teacher)

My name is Debbie Fowlkes. My husband, Ken and I have three children and one granddaughter. I have been with Kare Bear for 17 years and I have had many different responsibilities. My favorite, and for the last several years, has been the four year olds. My job is to enrich the curriculum and help manage the classroom, but my joy is getting to know each child and help them learn and mature. I want them to be ready for kindergarten.

Kisah Adcock (assistant teacher)

My name is Kisah Adcock. My parents are Jim and Debi Adcock. I attended Kare Bear myself in 1986. I graduated from High School in 2000 from Harding Academy in Searcy, Arkansas. I went to college at Harding University for two years. I then moved back here to work at Kare Bear. It has been five fantastic years. I absolutely love all the kids.

Kitchen Crew

Darlene Orr (cook)

My name is Darlene Orr and I have three boys. I have been at Kare Bear for 12 years and have had many responsibilities. For the past 3 years, I have been cooking all the meals in the kitchen. I enjoy being with all the children and I love to cook.

Laurie Nichols (assistant)

My name is Laurie Nichols. I have my masters degree in Education. I have worked in several positions, since being employed at Kare Bear. My duties now allow me to be involved with all the children.

Ellen Petrie (floater)

My name is Ellen Petrie and I have been married to my husband, Ron, for 29 years. We have four children. I have a B.S. in Early Childhood Education from UTM. Before coming to Kare Bear, I homeschooled my two youngest children. I am a member of the Trinity Worship Center, where my husband is a deacon. We are actively involved in the music ministry. I am looking forward to getting to work with and love the children at Kare Bear.

What's Happening at Kare Bear?

1. **Mark your calendars, we will be having an Open House on Tuesday, September 9th. We will all meet in the sanctuary at 6:30 and then adjourn to fellowship with your child's teachers in the classrooms. Refreshments will be served. Remember this is parent night and we ask that you make arrangements for your children, so you can speak freely with your child's teacher.**
2. **Please remember to check your child's folder daily. You do not want to miss out on anything.**
3. **Please send your child in appropriate shoes for playing on the playground. Flips Flops are not allowed, as they are not safe.**
4. **A reminder that fees are due prior to services rendered. You can make payments in the brown bear by the front door. Thanks for all you do!**