

PTAC SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010

Registration: 7:30 - 8:00 am

Praise & Worship: 8:10 - 8:25 am

Keynote



Keynote Speaker

Kevin Rudolph

Born and raised in San Diego, California, Kevin received his M.Div. from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California. Kevin serves as the Senior Pastor of Windwood Presbyterian Church in Cypress, Texas where he has served since November of 1993. The author of the book, [The Bible Tour Guide: A 365 Day Spiritual Journey](#), Kevin is looking forward to the future God has in store. "God has set before us a great adventure of faith as we share the transforming love of Jesus Christ with the many neighbors, new and old, that surround us. I am excited to be here!"

Afternoon Performers

For most people, a room filled with thousands of screaming children goes into the category of 'nightmare' — but for the guys in Go Fish, it sounds like music to their ears — a dream come true! James Statema, Jason Folkmann and Andy Selness — **Go Fish** — are arguably one of the most unique groups in the music industry. Not only do they make music for children and families, but they create amazing sounds with just their voices and percussion. Great harmonies, direct lyrics, inspiring messages — rolled up into a dynamic presentation that is making an impact and creating memories for countless families across the country — that is what **Go Fish** is all about!

Go Fish!



Session 1 Workshops	Thursday, July 22, 2010	9:30 am - 10:20 am	
<i>Class Title</i>	<i>Workshop Leader</i>	<i>Audience</i>	<i>Location</i>
Music for 2's	Barbara Coburn	MDO	M105
Why Do They Do That? Infants/Toddlers	Alyssa Countryman	MDO	A126
Kids in Action — Rockin' at the Rodeo	Diane Havens	MDO/Preschool	C145
Learning the Differences Between Girls/Boys	Tym Smith	MDO/Preschool	A125
Just Winging It — Science	John Sivadon	Preschool	M104
Preschool Art Projects for All Seasons	Susan Mac Hugh	Preschool	C150
A 4 -Year-Old Can Learn TO Read Too!	Laura College	Preschool	M106
Beakers, Bubbles, & The Bible: Science	Tina Houser	Preschool	A120
Creating Interest Centers With A Purpose	Kara Gore	Preschool	M107
Sing With Me: Bible Based Songs/Methods	Kathy Railey	Preschool	C107
Ages and Stages	Chris Smith	Preschool	Journey
In Harmony: Conflict Resolution with Little Ones	Gregg Catalano	Preschool	Summit
Handwriting Without Tears	TBA	Preschool	F110
Sensory Tables	Bonnie Terpstra	Preschool	M103

Session 2 Workshops Thursday, July 22, 2010 10:30 am - 11:20 am

<i>Class Title</i>	<i>Workshop Leader</i>	<i>Audience</i>	<i>Location</i>
Shaken Baby Syndrome	Milton Mitchell	MDO	M105
Working With Special Needs Children	Tym Smith	MDO/Preschool	A125
Hand Print Art	Susan Mac Hugh	MDO/Preschool	C150
Out of Sync Preschooler—Understanding SPD	Gregg Catalano	Preschool	Summit
Just Winging It — Science	John Sivadon	Preschool	M104
Start the Year Off Right/Setting Class Goals	Jackie Hogan	Preschool	M106
I Like To Move It! Move It!	Kathy Railey	Preschool	C107
“Center”ed On Learning	Chris Smith	Preschool	Journey
No More “Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep”	Tina Houser	Preschool	A120
That’s Using Your Noodle!	Diane Havens	MDO/Preschool	C145
Teaching Special Children	Kara Gore	MDO/Preschool	M107
I Made That! Teacher Made/On A Budget	Alyssa Countryman	MDO	A126
Handwriting Without Tears	TBA	Preschool	F110

Session 3 Workshops Thursday, July 22, 2010 11:30 am - 12:20 pm

<i>Class Title</i>	<i>Workshop Leader</i>	<i>Audience</i>	<i>Location</i>
LUNCH #1	N/A		Gym
What Every Kindergartener Needs To Know	Laura College	Preschool	M106
Proactive Strategies/Difficult Children	Tym Smith	MDO/Preschool	A125
Music for 2’s	Barbara Coburn	MDO	M105
What If I Can’t Sing Very Well?	Kathy Railey	MDO/Preschool	C107
Sensory Science Centers	Susan Mac Hugh	MDO/Preschool	C150
As Easy as Uno, Dos, Tres—Spanish	Laura Meichan	Preschool	F110
On a Shoe-String Budget/Back to Basics Art	Kerbi Blake	Preschool	F113
In Transition: Making Smooth Classroom Trans.	Gregg Catalano	Preschool	Summit
Fit & Fun for Little Ones	Rita Lengua	MDO	M107

Session 4 Workshops Thursday, July 22, 2010 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm

<i>Class Title</i>	<i>Workshop Leader</i>	<i>Audience</i>	<i>Location</i>
LUNCH #2	N/A		Gym
Couponing the Smart Way	Cathy Ransom	MDO	F110
No Biting! Managing Aggressive Behavior	Alyssa Countryman	MDO	A126
Lasso the Energy!	Tina Houser	Preschool	A120
Healthy Snacks	Dawn Doughten	Preschool	C107
Fun Activities with Free Panty Hose	Diane Havens	MDO/Preschool	C145
How To Be A More Effective Pre-K Teacher	Jackie Hogan	Preschool	M106
Minimum Standards for Teachers	Dorris Burnworth	MDO/Preschool	Summit
Preschool Stressors	Kara Gore	Preschool	M107
“Block”-buster Ideas/Literacy, Math & Science	Chris Smith	Preschool	Journey

Afternoon Performers Thursday, July 22, 2010 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Go Fish! *All Conference Attendees should report to the Worship Cen-*

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010

Music For 2's

Learn innovative ways to make music a fun learning experience for the two-year-olds that you work with!

Speakers: *Barbara Coburn*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative, Social*

Audience: *MDO*

Kids In Action — Rockin' at the Rodeo!

This workshop will enthusiastically introduce you to many new and invigorating music and movement activities for young children — all related to — the Rodeo!

Speaker: *Diane Havens*
FA: *Physical, Creative*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

Why Do They Do That?! Understanding Challenging Behaviors in Infancy & Toddlerhood

In this session, participants will explore challenging behaviors among infants and young toddlers. They will have the opportunity to apply their new knowledge to their own practice with children and families. Participants will also learn techniques to prevent, address, and respond to challenging behaviors. Finally, they will learn techniques to 1) manage each type of challenging behavior and 2) promote pro-social behavior.

Speaker: *Alyssa Countryman*
FA: *Cognitive, Self, Social, Guidance*

Audience: *MDO*

Learning the Differences Between Boys and Girls

Teachers in preschool classrooms need to understand that boys and girls learn differently. Each gender has different characteristics that effect behavior and attitude. Attendees will discuss how to recognize the learning styles of both boys and girls, and how to develop behavior plans based on gender differences.

Speaker: *Tym Smith*
FA: *Learning Environment, Program Management*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

Just Winging It — Science

If you don't have a 'science mind' and experiments aren't really your thing — come and learn easy, innovative ways to introduce science into your classroom. This is science made so easy that it will look like you're just 'winging it'!

Speaker: *John Sivadon*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative*

Audience: *Preschool*

In Harmony: Conflict Resolution with Little Ones

When children move from parallel play to cooperative play, disagreements and conflict are inevitable. Instead of just punishing children or isolating them, use these situations as learning opportunities to teach them conflict resolution skills. In this workshop, Gregg will help you see conflict differently, show you how to prevent problems before they arise, and teach you the techniques needed to turn any conflict in to a win-win situation for all parties involved!

Speaker: *Gregg Catalano*
FA: *Social, Communication, Guidance*

Audience: *Preschool*

Beakers, Bubbles, & The Bible: Teaching With Experiments

How did that work? Do that again! Cool! These are all comments your kids will have when they experience science experiments with a twist. Teach biblical truth using experiments that will fascinate your kids (and you, too)!

Speaker: *Tina Houser*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative*

Audience: *Preschool*

Creating Interest Centers with a Purpose

Teachers often spend the majority of their planning time focused on the actual curriculum. However, we must begin to meticulously plan the teaching environment to increase learning and enhance your curriculum! Let's discuss how to bridge the gap between our curriculum and classroom interest centers! Get ready to "AMP UP" your curriculum with a purposefully prepared teaching environment!

Speaker: *Kara Gore*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative, Program Management*

Audience: *Preschool*

Sing With Me:

Bible Based Songs & Teaching Methods

Learn lots of songs to help you teach your preschoolers about God, the Bible, nature, and daily activities. Workshop content includes action songs, songs with flip charts, flannel figures, and more! Song sheets will be furnished and a CD with the recorded songs will be available for purchase.

Speaker: *Kathy Railey*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative, Social, Communication*

Audience: *Preschool*

Ages and Stages

To be able to appropriately meet a child's needs, you must know what he/she is capable of doing and learning at any particular level. Learn how to plan and provide for your students' social, emotional, physical, and cognitive success!

Speaker: *Chris Smith*
FA: *Learning Environment, Cognitive*

Audience: *Preschool*

Preschool Art Projects for All Seasons!

Have a look at all the art you can do — through ALL the seasons! Lots different ideas and examples to look at!

Speaker: *Susan Mac Hugh*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative*

Audience: *Preschool*

A Four-Year-Old Can Learn TO Read Too!

Come and learn some interesting and easy ways to promote early literacy in our 4's classrooms!

Speaker: *Laura College*
FA: *Cognitive, Communication, Creative*

Audience: *Preschool*

Shaken Baby Syndrome

This workshop will explain the importance of both early intervention and the raising of community awareness in the area of early brain development.

Speaker: *Milton Mitchell*
FA: *Safe, Healthy, Learning Environment*

Audience: *MDO*

Working With Special Needs Children

Most programs today have children with a variety of personalities and needs. This session will help staff members identify characteristics of special needs children and work with their assorted challenging behaviors, while partnering with parents for the best outcome. Learn how to find ways to accommodate children with special needs within your classroom.

Speaker: *Tym Smith*
FA: *Learning Environment, Cognitive, Social*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

Hand Print Art

This workshop will focus on the many ways you can use handprints to further art and learning in your classroom.

Speaker: *Susan Mac Hugh*
FA: *Cognitive, Creative*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

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Out of Sync Preschooler—Understanding SPD

Ever wonder why some of your preschool students seem to be out-of-sync with others and respond in unusual ways to differing environments, classmates, teachers, and ordinary preschool activities? Come and learn how Sensory Integration can affect the mood, development, and education of many children. Learn how to become more “in sync” with those children who are “out-of-sync” in your classrooms.

Speaker: Gregg Catalano **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Healthy, Learning Environment, Cognitive

Start the Year Off Right by Setting Classroom Goals

This workshop will help you take a good look at your classroom and discuss how to set goals for yourself and your students — to start the year off right!

Speaker: Jackie Hogan **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Professionalism

I Like to Move It! Move It!

Music and movement ideas for your classroom.

Speaker: Kathy Railey **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Healthy, Cognitive, Social

“Center”ed On Learning

Come and take part in this hands-on, practical workshop that will guide you on setting up centers and “loading” them with dynamite learning skills!

Speaker: Chris Smith **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Learning Environment, Cognitive, Creative

No More “Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep”

Memorizing prayers has its value, but if it's the only way we teach children to pray, we're missing the mark. In this workshop, attendees will be introduced to a variety of engaging ways for kids to pray — individually, with family, and in a group setting. Help kids realize that prayer is a real conversation and not just something to recite!

Speaker: Tina Houser **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Self, Social, Guidance

That's Using Your Noodle!

Come and see how to use those cool pool noodles in your classroom! Music, movement — lots of ideas to use!

Speaker: Diane Havens **Audience:** MDO/Preschool
FA: Physical, Self, Social

Teaching Special Children

We will explore what it takes to teach children with unique needs. We do not have to know it all or be specifically trained on every need that a child might have. However, we must do our homework, get to know our children and their families, and attempt to meet each child at their own level of development with a positive attitude! We will discuss popular terms, share stories, and learn how to honor each child that walks through our door!

Speaker: Kara Gore **Audience:** MDO/Preschool
FA: Families, Professionalism

I Made That! Teacher Made Toys, Lessons, Books & Activities on a Budget!

Can't afford all those pricey items in the early childhood catalogs? That's OK — just make your own! Lots of examples of different things to use in your classroom and make on a budget with cheap or ‘recycled’ items!

Speaker: Alyssa Countryman **Audience:** MDO
FA: Program Management, Learning Environment

What Every Kindergartener Needs To Know

Every elementary school has a list posted on their website stating the ‘short list’ of things they ‘say’ they want kindergarteners to know coming in to the school year. But — is it really accurate? Learn from a real Kindergarten teacher just what will make a child successful in K and what you can do to help in preschool.

Speaker: Laura College **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Learning Environment, Program Management

Proactive Strategies to Working With Difficult Children

This session covers proactive steps to solving common behavior problems such as tantrums, biting, and children talking back. Staff attending this session will be encouraged to share some of the challenges they are currently having in the classroom for a lively group discussion!

Speaker: Tym Smith **Audience:** MDO/Preschool
FA: Cognitive, Physical, Social, Guidance

What If I Can't Sing Very Well?

Yes, there are a lot of us out there! We feel like if we don't sing very well — maybe we shouldn't sing at all! What a mistake! You don't have to sing well to have fun singing and introducing your students to music! This workshop will give you tips and ideas to make you feel more comfortable sharing music!

Speaker: Kathy Railey **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Social, Communication

Sensory Science Centers

Make science centers fun and appealing! There are LOTS of inexpensive/recycled things that you can use to make sensory science centers for your classroom! Come and learn about the ‘science’ behind sensory centers!

Speaker: Susan Mac Hugh **Audience:** MDO/Preschool
FA: Learning Environment, Cognitive

As Easy as Uno, Dos, Tres. . .**Introducing Spanish in the Classroom!**

Learn how easy it is to introduce basic Spanish vocabulary to your students by using a variety of methods such as songs, puppets, themes, etc. Anyone can do it!

Speaker: Laura Meichan **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Communication, Social

On a Shoe-String Budget—Back to Basics Art

This workshop is a hands-on, take-home, simple art idea class that takes us back to using everyday — on a budget — around the house — recycled items!

Speaker: Allison Ekstrom **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Cognitive, Creative

In Transition: Making Smooth Classroom Transitions

Are you like everyone else; in need of some great quick and easy transitional ideas? Join Gregg as he helps you refill your bag of transitional tricks to make ‘extra’ time fun, engaging, and one the highlights of your students day!

Speaker: Gregg Catalano **Audience:** Preschool
FA: Learning Environment, Program Management

Fit & Fun for Little Ones

One would think that little ones already move around enough! Not so! Movement and physical activity is essential for gross motor development. Learn how to make movement fun for little ones — and start them on an active lifestyle.

Speaker: Rita Lengua **Audience:** MDO
FA: Physical, Creative

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Coupons the Smart Way

This session will teach attendees the best way to utilize their coupons for everyday life. From school to home, there are many ways to get the most for your buck! Sections include: When is a Quarter More Than a Quarter?, Free Samples!, and Cheap School Stuff!

Speaker: *Cathy Ransom*

Audience: *MDO*

FA: *Program Management, Professionalism*

No Biting! Managing Aggressive Behavior in Infant & Toddler Group Care

Biting and aggressive behavior are normal developmental phases that toddlers go through. But, how do we manage those behaviors in a classroom setting? This workshop will give you ideas on how to curb biting and aggressive behavior — ideas that you can use in your classroom and share with parents!

Speaker: *Alyssa Countryman*

Audience: *MDO*

FA: *Physical, Cognitive, Social*

Lasso the Energy!

A time span of about 3 minutes and an endless supply of energy — preschoolers need to be taught in a way that addresses BOTH of those characteristics! Preschoolers are in the “learning to” mode. They are “learning to” do lots of things! Let’s look at ways we can take what they are already “learning to” do and use that to teach the about the Lord!

Speaker: *Tina Houser*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Physical, Cognitive, Creative*

Healthy Snacks

Want some healthy ideas for snack time in your classroom? Tired of using sugary frosting for EVERYTHING? This workshop will give you lots of easy, no fuss, hardly-any-mess snack ideas — that are healthy too!

Speaker: *Dawn Doughten*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Healthy, Creative*

Fun Activities with Free Pantyhose

You’ve never imagined the fun you can have with pantyhose! Music and movement have never been so much fun — or inexpensive!

Speaker: *Diane Havens*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

FA: *Physical, Creative, Social*

**How to Be a More Effective Pre-K Teacher:
What Teachers Need to Know Before
Entering the Classroom**

What do you REALLY need to know to be a preschool teacher? What do you need to understand about young children and their development to be successful? This workshop will go over the practical things that a teacher needs to know before entering the preschool classroom.

Speaker: *Jackie Hogan*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Program Management, Professionalism*

Minimum Standards for Teachers

This is a MUST workshop for teachers! Minimum Standards for child care can be confusing — but now being uninformed can cost you your job! Learn the ‘musts’ about Minimum Standards from a Licensing Representative.

Speaker: *Dorris Burnworth*

Audience: *MDO/Preschool*

FA: *Safe, Healthy, Learning Environment*

Preschool Stressors

Preschool children often face unique challenges that can cause interesting behaviors in the classroom. Teachers must be willing to investigate the reason behind the behaviors and create a plan to help the child better cope with these life changes. We will discuss issues of preschool development, frequent behavioral reactions to life stressors, and the most common life changes for preschool children. Issues like a new sibling, divorce, illness, and much more will be discussed!

Speaker: *Kara Gore*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Social, Guidance, Families*

**“Block”-buster Ideas for Teaching
Literacy, Math and Science**

As children build with blocks, they construct pathways in the brain that lead to life-long learning. Dance to the “Pattern Shuffle,” take a walk “down by the riverside” and dramatize your way through the pages of a book. Share the joy of “building bridges” to literacy and “stacking up” skills for math and science at the same time! Meet you in the Block Center!

Speaker: *Chris Smith*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Physical, Social, Creative*

Handwriting Without Tears

Come learn about the Handwriting Without Tears Program for preschool! This program introduced school readiness activities through music, movement, building, coloring, and multisensory activities.

Speakers: *TBA*

Audience: *Preschool*

FA: *Physical, Cognitive, Program Management*

Sensory Table Fun For Little Ones

Sensory Tables can provide great learning experiences for your little ones — if you think about their needs! Come and learn some new and different ways to enhance the use of your sensory table!

Speakers: *Bonnie Terpstra*

Audience: *MDO*

FA: *Physical, Cognitive, Creative*