Dear Bethlehem Homeschool Group,

We had a very good spring semester, and the same sweet spirit that is Bethlehem Homeschool Group was in full swing. Our kids enjoyed their classes, and the enthusiasm their teachers brought to the subjects being taught. New families connected with our established ones and friendships were formed. After 12 weeks of instructional fun, we had an exceptional field day run by the parents and teachers. God blessed us with a beautiful day and it was capped off by snow cones and a picnic lunch on the grounds. The group has been enjoying some field trips, thanks to the efforts of Liz Vaughan. They have been to a creamery, a strawberry farm and a local zoo in the month of May.

Now it is time to be thinking about the fall. We will be adding three new teachers and three of our regular teachers will be back with us. Please read about each teacher on the website, https://www.bethlehemhomeschool.group/. This group of 10 teachers are very gifted and spend a lot of time preparing to teach your children. We will continue to meet on Thursdays with our day beginning at 9am and ending at 2pm.

<u>Our first day will be August 26th</u> and there will be *a time to meet the teachers in the Fellowship Hall starting at 8:30am.* Please plan to come early that first day to have doughnuts and a time of introduction to our program.

<u>The semester will run for 12 weeks and will end on November 18th.</u> Hopefully we will be able to have our Thanksgiving Feast and Fellowship this year as Covid restrictions allow.

Per our safety committee the following guidelines are currently in place:

- Masks are optional. They are not required.
- Teachers will wipe down their classroom after its use if another group of students is coming into the space
- Those wanting to socialize before or after class may do so in the Fellowship Hall or outside the building.
- Groups will enter and exit through the Christian Life Center doors.
- Teachers must contact Michelle Woodard if they suspect there has been an exposure to the group or its members by someone currently infected with COVID 19.
- Should exposure or an outbreak in the group or facility take place, groups must be ready to stop meeting on campus for a minimum of two weeks.
- Teachers will take roll each week, so we will know who was in the class each week.

The spaces and classrooms we use in the CLC and Fellowship Hall will be sanitized on Friday each week.

Thank you for being considerate of others in these unusual times.

It is exciting that we will again be offering classes for preschool age through High School.

For the elementary, middle school and high school students, there will be four or more classes for them to choose from.

Our teachers of the younger students know how to love on your children and how to have godly classroom structure to promote learning for all. The Middle School and High School teachers understand that they are helping you lay a foundation for in depth learning necessary to go on to college, technical school or a career.

Please register your family and then register for your classes. Put August 26th on your calendar as we look forward to another year of Bethlehem Homeschool Group where we watch to see God at work.

God bless you all as we prepare for the fall!

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