

# Welcome to Time For Us Playgroup

## Dear parents and carers,

We're so glad you and your little one(s) came to join us today!

Time For Us is a Playgroup run by Church in the Market Place (CMP) and supported by volunteer Coordinators. It is a church ministry which operates to nurture the bodies, hearts and souls of our children.

The aim of Time For Us is to provide a welcoming, safe and fun play-space for your child(ren) while you have the opportunity to grab a cuppa, talk to another parent, or spend time playing with your little one(s).

We have some structured times during Playgroup, and encourage everyone to join in singing a song, playing a musical instrument or listening to a story.

Please bring along morning tea for your child(ren) as the shared morning tea is primarily for parents and caregivers (although we understand that playing is hard, hungry work and what child can resist cupcakes!).

What we offer:

#### For the little ones:

- A large, indoor playspace with room to run, move, jump and make noise
- Toys that nurture imagination, fine and gross motor skills, and cooperation
- Toys for babies, toddlers and preschoolers
- A craft or 'messy' activity such as playdough
- Singing and storytime
- The opportunity to socialise and form friendships with other children

#### For the parents and caregivers:

- Tea and coffee
- Shared morning tea
- A chance to engage with other parents and carers
- Occasional social evenings just for parents
- A quarterly Time For Us newsletter keeping you abreast of developments, family recipes, delightful anecdotes from our children, a profile of a playgroup Mum, updates from our sponsored child, and more!

#### **Session Times**

Tues: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon Wes: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Both sessions are held in the Joshua Hall on Level 2 of the Church in the Market Place building. Sessions are held during school terms only.

#### Fees

\$3 per family per session

Fees go towards purchasing new toys and supplies for Time For Us, as well as supporting our sponsor child, Patrick, through Kitgum. If you have any suggestions regarding potential toy purchases, please speak to a Coordinator. Further information about our sponsor child is available in your welcome pack.

#### Roster

Time For Us is truly a group effort, and as such, we ask that you consider contributing your skills and talents after you have settled into playgroup and are feeling comfortable.

A roster is available at the Welcome Desk which outlines several areas in which you might like to contribute (e.g welcoming, morning tea, music, storytime, crafts, set-up and put-away), however if you would like to contribute in a different way, please talk to one of our Coordinators.

#### Parking

Parking is available in the following locations:

- paid street parking
- Westfield Shopping Centre (2 hrs free parking)
- Eastgate Shopping Centre (1 hr free parking)

Alternatively, Bondi Junction trains and buses stop at the Transit Interchange, directly adjacent to Church in the Market Place.

#### Contact

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We hope that you enjoy yourself at Time For Us.

Regards,

### **Time For Us Committee**



"Beware that you don't despise a single one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels are always in the presence of my heavenly Father." Matt 18:10