



LET ME SHINE

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,
Welcome and greetings as we begin a new school year! We want to introduce ourselves: Holly Graham & Sabrina Bell, your new Co-Directors of Let Me Shine Christian Preschool! Holly has been the Assistant Director for 18 years, and Sabrina has been teaching Pre-K for 12 years. Sabrina will continue teaching her class Monday-Friday this year and Holly will continue to work in the office processing payments and receipts. If you have any questions or concerns, please know we are here to help you and are happy to meet with you before or after school. Please reach out if you want to talk with us!



♥ Welcome to
Preschool!

It was great to see everyone at Back to School Night and Meet the Teacher Days. We are excited for the school year to begin, to see and hear the children in the halls, and to see all the new faces! God continues to bless Let Me Shine as we begin our 20th year of serving our community. We have wonderful families, an outstanding staff, and a great Board of Trustees. We are looking forward to a wonderful year with you!

In His Service,
Holly & Sabrina

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Mark 10:14

The Let Me Shine 2021-2122 Staff:

18 months	Denet Barnitz
2 year olds	Cherry Squires
	Jaclyn Sells
3 year olds	Adair Watts
	Angelina Pace
Pre-Kindergarten	Sabrina Bell
	Christina Farden
	Emily Skidmore
Music	Halen Seevinck
Aides	Bri Oglesby
	Eliza Luce
	Geneva Prince
Office	Holly Graham

May God Bless you and our school year!

Co-Directors: Holly Graham & Sabrina Bell Pre-K Teachers: Sabrina Bell, Christina Farden, Emily Skidmore
3 Year Old Teachers: Angelina Pace, Adair Watts Playschool Teachers: Cherry Squires, Jaclyn Sells, Denet Barnitz
Aides: Eliza Luce, Brianne Oglesby, Geneva Prince Music: Halen Seevinck
Media: Tracy Hackworth Resident Managers: Kaci Evans & Kelly Mitchell
Board of Trustees: Laura Brown, Leska Haskell, Paul Mogren, Becky Rosenthal, Janel Trapp, JulieAnna Vaas, Holly Graham, Sabrina Bell

Miss Sabrina's Sweeties



Hello Everyone!
I am so excited for the new school year! I know this year will be fabulous. I love sharing how much God loves each child and how each one of us is unique

and special. We will have so much fun growing, playing and learning this year. For the month of September, we will be getting to know each other. We will be talking about manners and learning how to do school and centers. The last week of September we will be starting with the letter "M". This will be my 12th year teaching preschool and I can't imagine doing anything else. I look forward to getting to know you and yours!
Blessings to you and yours,
Miss Sabrina

Miss Chris's Campers



Hello Parents,
My name is Christina Farden; this is my 11th year teaching the Pre-K class at Let Me Shine. I am so excited for this new school year to get started. My little campers are

going to have so much fun learning and growing. The first couple of weeks we will get to know one another, talk about classroom rules and how important it is to be respectful to each other. Then we will jump right into our letters and writing our names. I look forward to meeting each parent and answering any questions or concerns you might have. Thank you for letting me teach and love your children this year!
Looking forward to a great school year.
Miss Chris

Miss Emily's Ten Little Monkeys



Hello Let Me Shine Families!
My name is Emily Skidmore and this will be my first year teaching at Let Me Shine Preschool. I

have been around the school for the last eight years as some of my children have attended preschool here. I am so excited to teach the Ten Little Monkeys in the four year old class. We are going to have so much fun learning and growing together!
Miss Emily

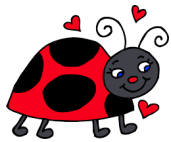
Miss Angelina's Rainbows



Hello Families,
My name is Angelina Pace, this is my second year at Let Me Shine and it has become a second home to me. Both of my children have attended this amazing school and I could not

have asked for a better learning environment for them. I have lived in Utah for 9 years and have grown to love it. This year is going to be great; we have new staff and Co-Directors who have poured their hearts as well as their time and energy into making this upcoming year the best one yet! I am excited to have your sweet children in my class! We are going to learn so much and grow a lot this year. I say we because I will learn just as much from your children as they will from me. For the month of September, we will start off by getting to know each other and establishing a schedule. Some of your children have never been to preschool before so this is a whole new experience for them. It will take some time to get used to, but they will get the hang of it and we will learn and have so much fun in the process. Thank you so much for trusting me with your precious kiddos. I can't wait to have a wonderful year with them. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.
Miss Angelina

Miss Jaclyn's Ladybugs



Hello!

My name is Jaclyn Sells. This will be my first year at Let Me Shine! I am very excited to be working as the teacher for the 2 year olds!

A little about myself; I am a mother of 2 girls, both on autism spectrum. I love reading and history as well as watching marvel movies. You can always find me cooking and trying new recipes as well. I am hoping to bring some fun and creativity to the kids this year. We will have fun exploring, learning, and growing in Christ! I am excited to see what this year brings at Let Me Shine!

Miss Jaclyn

Miss Cherry's Busy Bees



Dear Families,

Welcome to Let Me Shine. I am so excited to teach the two-year-old class again this year! My name is Cherry, I

was born and raised in the Philippines. I have a background of Early Childhood Montessori and taught for an international preschool overseas. My husband David is from Seattle. We have one teenage son. Our family is active in our church; we help host the service and teach Sunday school.

September is an exciting and busy month. We will learn about: Making Friends, All About Me (Family) and God's Creation. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your child while sharing God's love with them.

Blessings,

Miss Cherry

Miss Adair's Little Stars



Hello!

My name is Adair Watts and this is my second year teaching at Let Me Shine. This preschool has a special place in my heart. Five of my six children attended this school. I've heard it said by many

parents, "This place is kind of magical." I agree! I can't wait to see my Little Stars letting their light shine through music, imaginative play, art, science and bible time. Our class motto is "Love God, Love Others, and Love Yourself." God loves his little children and I'm so honored to be working with some of them. It's going to be a wonderful year!

Love,

Ms. Adair

Miss Denet's Lil Ones



Hi Families,

My name is Denet Barnitz and I am the 18 month old teacher at Let Me Shine. I am married, the mother of 3 children and 2 dogs. My two youngest children are alumni to Let Me Shine. While they were students here, I was so

impressed with the supportive, spiritual, and accepted learning environment and I knew I wanted to be a part of the team beyond my children's preschool days. I hope you have a similar experience.

It is a privilege to be your child's teacher and thank you for the opportunity to be part of their little world. It is always so much fun to get to know and love each one of them for all they are.

God Bless,

Miss Denet

Let Me Shine Aides



Hi everyone!
I'm Bri Oglesby and I'm so excited to be working at Let Me Shine this year as a teacher's aide for the 4-year-olds. I'm a student at the University of Utah, majoring in

Gender Studies, and will be finishing my degree soon (hopefully!). I love kids and have been working with them honestly since I was 12. My favorite color is yellow and I love the sunshine.

I'm looking forward to meeting everyone and being a part of this community!

Thanks!

Bri

Hi!

My name is Eliza Luce and I am so excited to spend this school year learning and growing with your children as an aide for Let Me Shine. I grew up right in the backyard of Zion Lutheran Church and I graduated from the University of Utah.

My family (husband Phil & 4 year old son James) just moved back to the area about a month ago. We spent the last 6 years working for the Cheesecake Factory in Nevada and Colorado. Our son James will be attending Miss Emily's Pre-K class this year.

We are thrilled for this new adventure and are glad to be a part of the Let Me Shine family.
Eliza

Hello!

I am Geneva and am super excited to be a part of Let Me Shine. This is my first job working with kids but I am mom of two amazing kids so I feel like this is a great fit.

I am excited for the school year!

Geneva

THINGS TO KNOW!

Morning Bunch - Advanced notice required. Drop off anytime between 8AM and 8:45AM. Please sign your child in as usual on the clipboard at the sign-in table and take your child to Room 7, Miss Chris' room, upstairs hallway, north end. Morning Bunch has story time, color time, and game time! Be sure your child has breakfast before they come to school. Your child will be escorted to their room at 9:00AM. The cost is \$7.00/morning. You will be invoiced at the end of each month.

Lunch Bunch - Do you need an extra hour after school for an appointment? Sign up for the Lunch Bunch program! Lunch bunch is a hit with the kids and is convenient for parents. Sign up at check in, have a lunch packed for your child, and that's it! We'll take care of the rest. Pick up is at 1:00PM and the lunch bunch kids will be downstairs in the terrace room. We play games, have interesting activities, and the kids get to eat their lunch together in a social setting! Our fabulous lunch bunch staff help the kids open their lunches, then they get to do art, play fun games, story time, floor tumbling and even some science activities. \$7.00 per session. Monday-game day; Tuesday & Wednesdays-obstacle course day; Thursday-Music; Friday-Theme Day. You will be invoiced at the end of each month.

Volunteer Hours - Each family at Let Me Shine is required to complete 5 volunteer hours during the school year. You may 'opt out' of volunteering with a \$50 payment to LMS. We do hope you'll decide to volunteer - it's a great way to meet the kids, parents and staff and learn about the day-to-day activities at Let Me Shine. **Here are a few ideas** to get you started: Assist in the classroom (with prior arrangement), maintain & straighten storage rooms, at-home projects, book fair volunteers, library maintenance, read to a class, talk about your occupation, etc. Please talk to Holly, Sabrina or your child's teacher about additional opportunities or ideas. Your help is always welcome!

Contact Info - Did you move over the summer? Do you have a new phone number, work number or cell number? Please update your personal contact information in the school office. In the event of an emergency, it is essential we have your most current information.

School Pictures - School picture days are scheduled for September 27th and 28th. All children will have class photos taken, and individual purchases are optional. Your teachers will have materials to send home within the next few weeks. Picture packages and pricing will be available at that time.

Fall Break - No school October 14th & 15th.

September Birthdays:

Ace Howell, James Steinhaus, Peter Pearce, Eleanor Spafford, Sophia Glenn, Alexander Schmidt, Wells Jergensen, Miles Turner, Theo Waltman, Mia Nebeker, Hattie Seare

LET ME SHINE REMINDERS:

Backpacks - Please have your child bring a full size backpack to school! It makes pick up time so much easier!

Drop-Off / Pick-Up - To limit the number of people in the building, please only one adult per family for drop-off and pick-up! You can use either the south or east side doors.

Label, label, label - Many kiddos have the same or similar items! Please label backpacks, jackets, lunch boxes, and snow gear!



† *Let Me Shine shares God's love with His children and provides a welcoming Christian environment where a child can grow spiritually, socially and intellectually.*