## Seven Reasons Why Teachers Need a Drop off/Pick up Policy

If we are doing anything good for the Kingdom of God, Satan wants to destroy it. "We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one." 1 John 5:19

"Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8

"I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore, be a shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves." Mathew 10:16

- 1. sexual molestation
- 2. kidnapping
- 3. physical harm
- 4. emotional harm/bullying
- 5. damage to church
- 6. get lost, go missing
- 7. liability/loss of use of church

## What is acceptable?

- sign-in/sign-out sheet
- placards or exchange an item (pick up person must return with item)
- face-to-face voice/physical acknowledgement\* (best)
- establish a line of sight with parent/vehicle (i.e. dismiss from lobby)
- for older students text at drop off/text when picking up

## More difficult situations

- parents with multiple students
- multi-age classes
- self-transporters (students who drive themselves or walk)
- parents staying on-site
- self-transporters with younger siblings
- self-transporters driving friends
- adult picking up other than parent

In these situations the most important thing is communication with the parent, written authorization, regular (weekly) communication of parental expectations/presence.

Our agreement with the churches requires that at no time shall there be <u>any</u> unattended students at the church. This includes all students regardless of age. They must either be under the supervision of a teacher or a parent/guardian or they must leave the premises.