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Coffee & Connection Time is what we call the ten-minute break during our gathering. This gives adults a chance to refill their coffee while kids get to their classrooms. Parents of nursery-aged children (birth to 12 months) are welcome to look after their child in the space behind the curtain on the north end of the Banquet Hall

Want someone to pray with you? We'll have people who can pray with you available at the end of our gathering. You can tell them as much or as little as you'd like. They won't be nosy and they'll keep it to themselves.

We'd love for you to fill out a Welcome Card at the Welcome Centre. This will help us respond to any questions you might have. We won't bother you with unwanted phone calls or spam mail. We promise. You might also want to visit our website, jerichoridge.com, become a fan of our Facebook page facebook.com/jerichoridge or follow us on Twitter, twitter.com/jerichoridge. Thanks for joining us! We hope to see you again soon.



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