

Grateful GIFTS

From an interview with Marissa Widdison

Olá!

My name is Alice,
and I try to SHINE MY
LIGHT by SHOWING
GRATITUDE!



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Playing Hymns

I live in Brazil with my parents and sister and brother. My sister, Julia, and I play the piano for sacrament meeting in our ward.

Happy Feelings

When we show gratitude, the Lord blesses us with happy feelings from the Holy Ghost.



2 An Unexpected Gift

One Sunday, a man named Brother Stahlke gave us a present. He said it was a gift to thank us for the music we played on Sundays. When we opened the box, we found a special kind of flute inside! I put the flute together and started playing. I was enchanted by the sound.

3 Giving Back

Soon I started playing hymns on the flute. I wanted to do something to thank Brother Stahlke for the gift. So I practiced the hymn “How Great the Wisdom and the Love” (*Hymns*, no. 195). I asked my dad to take me to Brother Stahlke’s house so I could show him that his gift helped me discover a new talent.



4 A Special Dream

When I played for Brother Stahlke, he was very happy and emotional. He told me that he had a dream about this hymn the night before! I felt the love of God for him and for me.

HOW CAN YOU SHINE?

- Learn to sing, play, or conduct a hymn and share it in family home evening.
- Practice a talent and share it with someone else.
- My idea: _____



SEND US A STAR!

Jesus asked us to “let [our] light so shine before men” (*Matthew 5:16*). How do you let your light shine? Send us a star with your story, photo, and permission. See page 39.

