



Trying to Be Like Jesus

He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life (John 8:12).

Dancing on Saturday

My older sister, Aurelia, and I took a jazz dance class this past school year. It was fun, and we were really



looking forward to our costumes and doing the recital. Then the schedule came out, and our class had been scheduled for the Sunday performance instead of the one on Saturday. We decided to choose the right and e-mailed the dance teacher that we wouldn't be able to be in the show so we could keep



the Sabbath day holy. It took courage! The next time we went to our dance class we got a surprise.

The teacher said that she didn't want us to not be able to participate, and that we could do a special duet of our dance on Saturday instead. We did, and everyone said it was great. We felt happy that we had chosen the right.

Summer and Aurelia W., ages 9 and 11, Florida

Sharing a Prayer



One day my friend Foxx came over to my house. At night, my family reads the scriptures and prays

together. Foxx is not a member of the Church, but I asked him if he'd like to join us in doing those things and he said yes. After we read the scriptures and prayed, Foxx told us his favorite Bible story. I felt good because I was being a missionary. I am going to ask him if he can come to church with me someday.

Aaron R., age 9, Virginia

The Friend for a Friend

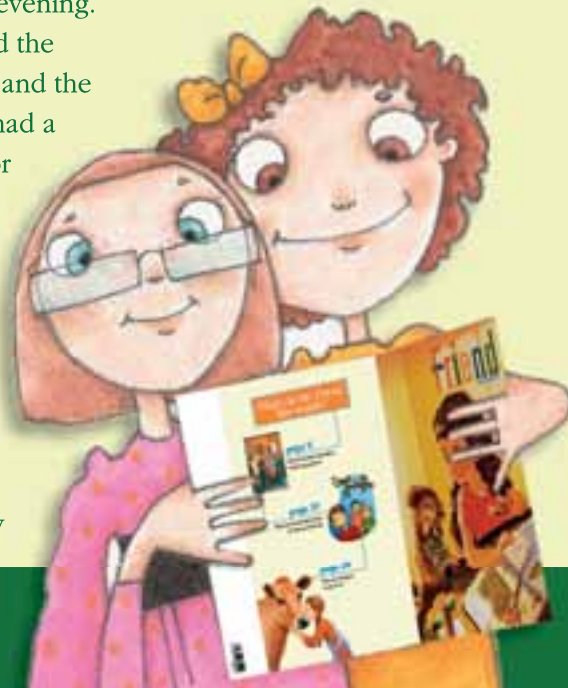


One night, my family and some friends had a family home evening. We had the lesson and the

closing prayer, and then had a treat. When it was time for our friends to leave, my mom and I told one of my friends about the *Friend* magazine. She is taking discussions from the missionaries and hadn't heard about the *Friend*, so I let her look through it. She really

liked it. I let her have the August 2007 *Friend*. I'm glad that I can share the gospel with others.

Annah S., age 10, Utah



Being Kind

When Braeden started kindergarten, he loved meeting new friends and having fun with them. In his



class he noticed one boy who was a little different than some of the other children. Sometimes the boy had a hard time sitting still, listening to the teacher, or behaving. Braeden knows that Jesus Christ loves everyone, and he really wants to be like Jesus. Braeden is kind to the boy in his class, just like Jesus wants him to be.

Braeden B., age 6, Georgia, with help from his mom

Tell us how you're trying to be like Jesus. Turn to the inside back cover to find out how to send us a letter.

Setting a Goal



In 2005, President Gordon B. Hinckley (1910–2008) asked members of the Church

to read the Book of Mormon by the end of the year. I had never read the Book of Mormon all the way through by myself. My family decided we would take President Hinckley's challenge; we were determined to follow the prophet. I began by reading a chapter a day, and soon found that I could read several chapters a day. I felt good knowing that I was doing what the prophet had asked me to do. Christmas came, and I forgot about my goal. On New Year's Eve I still had 115 pages left to read. I spent most of the day reading. That evening I finished the Book of Mormon. I learned never to procrastinate what the prophet asks us to do.

Justin H., age 9, California

