

Inspired by the Friend

was reading a story in the *Friend* magazine about a girl who was collecting dresses for people in another country who were in an earthquake ("Presents for Princesses," August 2011). I thought I wanted to do the same thing. So my mom helped me collect 84 dresses for girls in Africa. We called it "Dresses for Darlings."

Sara H., age 7, Washington, USA

Singing a Song



was reading the October 2012 copy of the *Friend*, and I read "The Song of the Heart" about Mike on the bus when Braden was saying bad words. On the bus the next day, someone was making fun of me and of other people's talents.

It made me feel bad, so I sang a Primary song with my best friend. It made me feel happy inside. Leah K., age 11, Arkansas, USA

Learning Patience



like the "All-Star Brother" story in the September 2012 issue of the *Friend*. Sometimes my brother moans in the morning when my mom tries to wake him up for school. Reading the story helped me be more patient.

Hunter C., age 7, Ohio, USA



How We Read the Friend

We read the *Friend* while relaxing by the pool. Madie and Avery H., and Brandon and Austin F., ages 4, 7, 7, and 9, Florida, USA

Dear Friends,

All year in our "On the Trail" stories, we've been telling you how the Church was restored in the 1800s. This month on pages 24-25 we've given you an "On the Trail" map that you can use for the rest of the year. Then you can follow the trail of the brave pioneers from Missouri all the way to Salt Lake City! Have you visited any of the places in our "On the Trail" series? Write and tell us about your visit! Happy Pioneer Day! The Friend

Was there a letter or a story in this month's issue that helped you? Tell us about it. Turn to page 48 to find out how

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