

## Our Creative Friends



### Summer Fun

Summer is time to have lots of fun.  
We eat a ton of hot dogs on a bun.  
We go to the pool  
To get nice and cool.  
We like to go on hikes  
And ride our bikes.  
It's fun to go on trips  
And have lemonade to sip.  
The monsoons  
Don't start till after June.  
We daydream  
While eating ice cream.  
We go to the mall  
And love when our friends call.  
We read lots of books  
From the library we took.  
We love to eat watermelon.  
How hot it gets,  
There's no tellin'!

*Chandler, Gillian, and Nelson L., ages 12, 9, and 4, Arizona, with help from their parents*

### Sister

Like a flower in the sunshine,  
I warm your heart with a song.  
Like a sister unto others,  
I will be your little one!  
With a warm heart you are the one and only  
sister I know.  
I surely love you, and I know you love me too.  
Like flowers in the sunshine  
We are warmed with gentle love,  
And by our mother and father  
We are cared for with love.

*J'nae B., age 10, Oregon*

### Happy!

Be happy! Be happy! For the Church.  
Be happy! Be happy! For a prophet.  
Be happy! Be happy! For the Friend.  
Be happy! Be happy! For life.

*Jacob M., age 9, Utah*

### The Church of Jesus Christ

I learn from prophets and scriptures.  
Like a map they guide my way to  
Heavenly Father.

I'm learning about the gospel by  
Listening to the bishop in the chapel,  
Listening to my father in family home  
evening,

And from choosing the right  
every day,  
Helping others when in need,  
Praying every day and night,  
Keeping watch for a good deed.

I learn from Joseph Smith praying  
About the churches,  
Asking which one is true.  
Jesus Christ says none are for you.

I want to be like the Savior,  
And I can.  
He died for all of them and us  
So when I die I can go to the  
celestial kingdom.

Like my father I want to go on a mission.  
I'll help teach others about the gospel  
So they will go to Heavenly Father too.

*Jacob N., age 9, Kentucky*

### Drawings

- 1 Benjamin M., age 5, Nova Scotia, Canada
- 2 Seviah D., age 4, Colorado
- 3 Hannah E., age 8, Washington
- 4 Emily E., age 5, New Hampshire
- 5 Brianna J., age 8, Iowa
- 6 Andrew L., age 9, Idaho
- 7 Kevin H., age 7, Wisconsin
- 8 Ephraim O., age 5, Utah
- 9 Spencer C., age 8, Arizona
- 10 Joseph M., age 9, Florida
- 11 Paige S., age 4, Maryland
- 12 Madison J., age 9, Oregon
- 13 Megan R., age 6, Texas
- 14 Derek C., age 8, Nebraska
- 15 Halle N., age 8, Utah

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