



Thanks for the *Friend*



One day I was watching a game, and it had some zombies in it. That night I couldn't sleep. I told my mom and dad, and they said I should read the *Friend*. I was still having a hard time sleeping, but then I had an idea. I asked Dad if I could have a blessing. After he gave me one, I felt warm inside and slept fine. Thanks for the *Friend*.

Carter L., age 9, Utah, USA

A Missionary *Friend*



My friend got her tonsils taken out. As soon as I heard, I asked my mom if we could get my friend and her other siblings treats and coloring books. We went to the store and bought the treats and books. When I saw my friend's smile, I knew I had been a missionary like Sydney in the story "Art for the Heart" in the June 2012 *Friend*.

Maggie V. O., age 11, Idaho, USA

Help from the *Friend*



Thank you for publishing the very inspiring stories that you have through the years. They have helped me through school and with my friends.

Jackson R., age 10, Alberta, Canada

How We Read the *Friend*

We had a birthday party in honor of President Monson's birthday. Everyone loved the "Colorful Layered Cake" (August 2012).

Colby, Adda, Ava, and Cameron R., and Isaac L., ages 7, 9, 4, 5, and 13, Utah, USA



Dear Friends,

Did you know that Easter is not always on the same date—or even in the same month? It always comes on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of spring. The first day of spring is on March 20. This year the first full moon after that is on March 27, and the first Sunday after that is March 31—Easter Sunday!

This month's *Friend* has some special stories and activities to help you and your family celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ all month long.

Jesus Christ has risen!

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.