

A Friendly Family Garden



Our family made a family garden. We each had a flower with our picture on it, and we planted the flower in our family garden. We used old *Friend* magazines to cut out pictures of things that help us grow spiritually, and then we glued them to our flowers. We love reading the *Friend* as a family.

Phoenix, Davis, Marcus, and Taylor W., ages 3, 8, 5, and 1, Alberta, Canada

CTR Surprise



e loved the CTR pretzels from the January 2012 *Friend*. We surprised our dad with breakfast in bed one day because he works so hard for us. They were delicious! Thank you!

Mayah and Asher S., ages 7 and 6, Denmark

How We Read the Friend



Christopher, Alex, Emma, Jacob, and Jessa H., ages 9, 7, 11, 1, and 4, Utah.



Dear Friends,

	Will you be turning 12 soon? On pages
	24-25 you'll see a sneak peek of what's
	in store for you in Young Women and Young Men. Then turn to pages 45-47
	to read about a girl's first-ever visit to
•	the temple and about a group of boys
•	who know how special it is to receive the Aaronic Priesthood.
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•	Write and share your experiences about turning 12!
•	Looking for your letter,
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ILLUSTRATION BY BRAD TEARE

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.