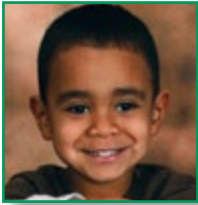


# Friends in the News



**Isaiah B.**, 5, Utah, enjoys riding his bike, playing with his toys, and spending time with his family and friends. He likes participating in family home evening, especially when he gets to choose the activity. He has a kind heart and likes to be helpful. He looks forward to turning eight and being baptized.



**Mikalyn H.**, 10, Maryland, likes to sing, draw, and dance. She is good at sharing and showing respect to other people. She has a testimony that God watches over us. Her favorite parts of the *Friend* are Friends in the News and searching for the hidden CTR ring.



**Orenco Ward**

Inspired by a talk by President Thomas S. Monson, the Primary of the Orenco Ward, Hillsboro Oregon Stake, sang Christmas carols at a local nursing home. They all shared their testimony of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.



**Maeve and Ruby B.**, 6 and 3, South Africa, are sisters. Maeve wants to be an entomologist when she grows up. She is an excellent artist, and enjoys swimming, going on safari, and finding interesting bugs. Ruby wants to be a horse rider when she grows up. She likes to dance and play computer games. She likes having "school" at home with her mom.



**Sebastián R.**, 7, Nevada, likes to read the scriptures. His favorite person in the Book of Mormon is Nephi. Sebastián likes to play baseball and soccer. He likes to learn. His favorite food is chicken with rice. He loves his family.



**Aria M.**, 8, Florida, likes temples. She has visited temples in Hawaii, Washington D.C., Ukraine, and Texas. She loves her brother and four sisters and she enjoys finding the hidden CTR ring in the *Friend*.

**Choteau Ward**

The Primary children of the Choteau Ward, Great Falls Montana Stake, drew pictures and made Christmas placemats for local nursing home residents. They sang songs at the nursing homes and gave the placemats to the residents.



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