

CELEBRATE WONDER® Family Celebration Letter

Celebrating Our Ways to Connect with God

It can be hard to feel connected to God sometimes, even for adults. It can be particularly difficult for children to do this because they often understand the world best through things they can see and touch. Not being able to see and touch God means that children, like adults, need additional tools for connecting with God.

One way to help your child connect with God is by teaching them to listen for what God is calling them to do. Younger children may best understand this as listening to their hearts. This can be done through prayer, brief meditation, or even just sitting quietly for a few minutes. Another way to help children connect to God is to encourage them to seek God devotedly. They can do this through using their gifts to help others, visiting a place of worship or creating a worship space at home, or even through music. Children can also connect with God by using their voices to share God's blessings and bring hope to others. Below, you'll find some moments to celebrate your child for using these qualities.

Place this chart on your refrigerator, kitchen table, or in an easy-to-access place. Throughout the week, have your child mark or color a space each time he or she completes an item on the chart. Celebrate your faith together!

<i>I listened for God.</i>	<i>I prayed.</i>	<i>I listened to music.</i>	<i>I was loyal.</i>	<i>I stood up for myself.</i>
<i>I was a leader.</i>	<i>I overcame something hard.</i>	<i>I wondered about something.</i>	<i>I was a good friend.</i>	<i>I built something.</i>
<i>I worshiped God in a special place.</i>	<i>I used my voice to share God's blessings.</i>	<i>I used my voice to bring hope.</i>	<i>I spoke up for someone.</i>	<i>I was brave.</i>