

MISSION MOMENTS

for kids

Dear Parents,

Your children will learn about local missions during their time with us. The curriculum is called "We Are God's Children" and was produced by Building Families for Children, an agency that has been committed to maintaining strong families and healthy communities since 1920.

These real-life stories are about people who came to Building Families to find help. We will present the information in a child-friendly and positive way.

1. **SESSION 1 – WHAT TRUE LOVE LOOKS LIKE** tells a story about Lucas whose parents are "host parents" with Safe Families for Children, a program of Building Families for Children. Lucas learns to share his own personal belongings with children who come to stay in their home on a short-term basis. Safe Families provides temporary homes for children so they can stay in a loving environment while their moms and/or dads take care of emergencies. (I John 3:18)
2. **SESSION 2 – GOD THE FATHER LOVES US VERY MUCH!** is a story about two boys from different places who end up as brothers in a CHOSEN foster family. CHOSEN is the treatment foster care arm of Building Families and stands for Children of Special and Exceptional Need. God knew the two boys had a special need and He provided for them. (I John 3:1)
3. **SESSION 3 – BECOMING A CHILD OF GOD** tells about how God can change a person's life. Marvin was living with a CHOSEN foster family. He had some developmental challenges that contributed to him getting in trouble and needing to find a different family where he could get better. Marvin's new foster parent helped him see God's love and through their relationship, Marvin became a new person. (I John 3: 7, 9)
4. **SESSION 4 – SHARE SO OTHERS SEE GOD'S LOVE IN US** introduces the children to a woman who went through a tough time after her husband died. Once she got back on her feet and was able to provide for her children, she wanted to help others in similar situations. Sheryl became a "host parent" with Safe Families and helped two homeless moms (at different times) by caring for their children until they were able to have homes of their own. (I John 3:17)
5. **SESSION 5 – WE MUST LOVE EACH OTHER** talks about different ways that believers can help others. At Building Families for Children, some of the ways they work to help others is through Safe Families for Children and CHOSEN treatment foster care. Your children will hear about a birthday party called "Party with Purpose" where the parents collected gift cards for the needy rather than gifts that their one year old really did not need. (I John 3:23)

Your children will bring home activity sheets after each session. Please consider talking with them about what they learned. We also invite you to consider how your family can be involved in the work of Building Families for Children.

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