Faith Builders: Friends in the family!

Parents, you are welcome to use these ideas to help build your child's faith and encouraging them to become lifelong followers of Jesus Christ.

Quick Pick

Choose a day this week to make each family member a V.I.P. Each person thanks the V.I.P. for something helpful he or she has done this week. Then let the V.I.P. choose a favourite food for dinner, dinnertime music to listen to, a favourite game to play and/or a favourite book to read aloud.



"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1



Key Word

Unity means to live in peace with others.

Fun at Home:

Write the name of each person that is part of the family, on a piece of paper. Draw a picture of what you love to do with that family member next to the name of the person. (For example, if you love playing soccer with dad—draw a soccer ball next to his name.)

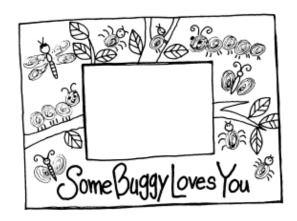
Share your pictures with everyone and tell them what you love the most about them and what you love to do with them.

Now, Do the Craft activity provided and/or the game!

GETTING CRAFTY:

What Each Child Needs:

Two 51/2 x 8-inch (14x20.5-cm) pieces of cardstock or poster board Scissors Markers Stamp pads in a variety of colours Disposable wipes Glue



What Each Child Does:

- 1. Set one of the pieces of poster board aside to use as the back of the frame. Fold the other piece of poster board in half. With an adult's help, cut a rectangular shaped hole in the center. This is where the photo will show through.
- 2. Open the folded poster board. Write "Some Buggy Loves You" at bottom of the frame. Press your thumb on stamp pad and then onto the frame to make thumbprints. Repeat this process around the entire frame. Use a marker to draw antennae and legs to turn each thumbprint into a bug, caterpillar, ladybug or other insect. Draw leaves or grass with markers.
- 3. Turn the frame over and apply glue to only three sides of the frame. Place it on the other piece of poster board that you set aside earlier.
- 4. Insert a photo of you and your family (or friends or parents) inside it. Keep your photo handy as a reminder to pray for your family.

GETTING ACTIVE

What You Need

ball of yarn (optional—crepe paper roll)



What You Do

- 1. Children form a single-file line.
- 2. Give the first child in the line a ball of yarn. (Optional: Use crepe paper roll.) The first child holds the end of the yarn to his or her stomach with one hand and then passes the ball of yarn to the next child in line. Children continue passing yarn to child at the end of the line who wraps it around his or her back and passes it back to the front of the line. (Note: Make sure children do not wrap themselves too tight.) Passing continues until children have wrapped themselves (from the waist down) with the entire ball of yarn. (Note: Children should stand as close together as possible to speed up the wrapping process.)
- 3. Now give the children instructions—e.g. move four steps to the right. They will find it difficult not to break to yarn (or crepe paper) without working together as a unit. Use different examples of activities to get them to understand what it means to work as a unit. Getting angry will not help—they have to work together.

Have Fun!