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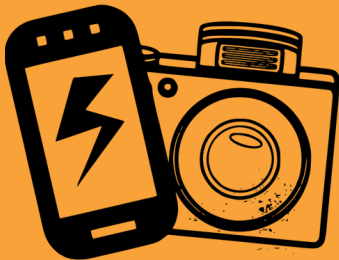
WE WANT TO STAY CONNECTED

It has taken us a bit of time to get our feet on the ground with our "new normal" but we

wanted to reach out and let you know that we are here and want to connect with our GraceKids and families.



PLEASE
LET US
KNOW



We would love an update on how you are doing! As you get messages, we hope you can respond with a quick email or even a picture.

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We know this time can be filled with ups and downs for everyone, especially our kids. This month we wanted to focus on the word

COURAGE.

We know this time can take courage in a lot of different ways. The GraceKids team is working to share activities that help promote connection to each other and God as well as build on our focus for the month. Please keep an eye on your email and regular mail and let us know how you are doing!

BIBLE STORIES SHOW COURAGE

Children can be encouraged by the story of Ruth and Naomi, especially through heartbreaking times of loss and tragedy. It is the story of a dear friendship – of two people placed together by God to comfort each other in a season of heartbreak. Ruth's **faith** to stick by her mother-in-law ends up leading her to a wonderful new life. This story is proof that even in dire circumstances, God doesn't leave us.

Though we don't understand God's ways, we know He is just. It's difficult for kids to understand why bad things happen in the world, yet God is good. He loves us and leads us through very difficult seasons in life. We can imagine Christ clinging to us, as Ruth did to Naomi.

FROM <https://www.crosswalk.com/family/parenting/kids/5-bible-stories-to-help-your-kids-gain-courage-in-tough-times.html>



**HEY KIDS,
WOULD YOU LIKE TO
GET YOUR BIBLE?**

We had been using our Bibles and getting so good at looking up verses during Sunday School! I know that many of you kept your Bibles in our classroom so you would always have it ready for church.

If you would like it at home please let us know and we will get it to you!

*I know you wipe some away,
but these prints are made to stay.
So keep them forever,
a treasure they will be.
A special "I love you" from you to me.*

**MAKE IT FOR YOUR MOM!
MOTHER'S DAY IS
SUNDAY, MAY 10**

Bible School Survey

Sarah Sharing Place

We want to know about trying something different for Bible School. One idea that leaders were wondering is if there was any interest in trying a family retreat in the fall in place of a summer Bible School program.

Please help us plan by answering a few quick questions on this survey. Answers are anonymous.

Please link here to answer a few questions so we can best plan for you!

<https://forms.gle/FbnxT2a4CAfWMNGw5>

One thing I love to share are fun ideas that show gratitude for others. There have been so many great superheroes during our time social distancing.

I found a great website to share with you that give you fun ways to reach out to others and spread love and kindness.

Here is where you can find them on the internet.

<https://kidsforpeaceglobal.org/COVID-19/>



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Below is one of my favorite projects of the month. Check it out!



Our delivery drivers are working extra hard to ensure we have the products we need during this COVID-19 social distancing. Let's thank them with a basket of goodies to choose from.

In our basket, we included bottled water, organic oranges, Chocolate CRUNCH bars and rolls of toilet paper. Go ahead and get as creative as you'd like! Below are a few fun ideas to get you started.

Wrap up a roll of treasured toilet paper with a note that says, "We like how you roll!"

Add a note to a treat:

- Chocolate CRUNCH bar - "You've helped us in a CRUNCH. Thank you!"
- Starbursts - "You are a STAR! Thank you."
- Bag of SunChips - "Thank you for bringing SUNshine to our lives with your deliveries!"

Whatever you do, just do it with LOVE!