

# I'm a Helper, Just Ask Me!

## Children's Response Sheet

(A companion to other "Early Signs of God's Design: Nurturing Children's Gifts as They Emerge" Resources)

### "I love to plan and organize things"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Nursery Toy Care
- \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom Supply Manager
- \_\_\_\_\_ Special Program & Event Planning
- \_\_\_\_\_ Member of a Children's Church Council or Children's Ministry Planning Committee

### "I love to act out stories"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Act out Bible stories for class lessons
- \_\_\_\_\_ Act in dramas & skits for worship or special events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Participate in a church talent show or dinner theatre

### "I love to write poems, prayers and stories"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Write prayers for worship
- \_\_\_\_\_ Write stories for Church or Sunday School newsletter
- \_\_\_\_\_ Write lessons & stories or skits or plays for Sunday School lessons

### "I love to draw and do crafty things"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Help with church property improvements, e.g. painting, clean-up, gardening,
- \_\_\_\_\_ Make banners or decorate for special occasions & events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Artwork & lettering for posters, bulletins and program covers and special displays
- \_\_\_\_\_ Help with craft preparations/Assist younger children with crafts

### "I love to dance, sing or play an instrument"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Take music lessons  
\_\_\_\_Voice \_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide special music during worship & other events  
\_\_\_\_Voice \_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Choir
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assist with leading & accompanying songs during S.S. Openings & Church Worship

### "I love to encourage people who are having a hard time"

- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a church "buddy" to someone who needs a friend
- \_\_\_\_\_ Work with Social Ministry Committee to write letters to government leaders to get help for children and their families
- \_\_\_\_\_ Go with other children and their parents to visit people of all ages in hospitals, homes and other places hurting or lonely people might be

**"I love to tell people about Jesus and invite them to know him"**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Share what a Bible story means to me in class & other places
- \_\_\_\_\_ Share stories about what God is doing in my life with others
- \_\_\_\_\_ Invite friends to come to Sunday School & other church activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Make postcards & flyers to invite friends to come to church activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend programs that teach me God's ways to deal with life, problems and disagreements

**"I love to follow Jesus and look for things God is doing in my life."**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Attend Church, Sunday School, VBS, Bible Camp and other activities for children & families
- \_\_\_\_\_ Think about what Jesus might do when I make choices everyday
- \_\_\_\_\_ Share my thoughts about God's plans for our church with other leaders

**"I love to share what God has given me"**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Help with programs that teach children how to share their time & money with the church
- \_\_\_\_\_ Help with programs to raise money for people in need, e.g. toy sale, car wash, lemonade or snack stands
- \_\_\_\_\_ Help with programs that collect things people might need, e.g., food, clothes or stuffed animals
- \_\_\_\_\_ Give a part of my allowance as a regular offering to Sunday School and church

**"I love to greet people and make them feel welcome"**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Worship or Sunday School Greeter or usher in worship
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a "buddy" to a new kid in S.S.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a "pew" buddy for kids whose parents are leaders in worship or not attending at all
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a "playmate" in the nursery

**"I pray for people and their needs"**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Join a team that gathers to pray for other people
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pray alone and with my family at bed time, meal time and other times
- \_\_\_\_\_ Write prayers & pray them during church worship.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pray "instant" prayers throughout the day when I see people in need

**"I love to take the lead"**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Help plan Christmas programs and other events
- \_\_\_\_\_ Speak for the needs of kids at church planning meetings & find ways for them to be recognized and involved.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Help lead worship as a reader, member of a music team or a communion helper, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Member of a Children's Church Council or Children's Ministry Planning Committee

**“I really care about people in need and try to find ways to help them”**

- Start a KidCare program that finds ways to reach out to people in need and get others involved, e.g. collecting sample-size shampoos and lotions for homeless and crisis shelters.
- Help with programs that help kids, e.g. filling backpacks with school supplies, a “swaddling” clothes drive at Christmas - collecting things for babies.
- Read the newspaper everyday and pray for people in need.
- Write notes of encouragement to people who are confined and in hospitals

**“I love to do things for others”**

- Helper at Church
  - Kitchen
  - Nursery
  - Lawn/Gardening
  - Church Cleaning
  - Worship
  - Communion Prep e.g. bread baking
  - Classroom/Crafts
  - Music
  - Library
  - Special Friend
  - Programs that help people in need
- Helper in the Community
  - Roadside clean-up
  - Helping Places, e.g. food shelf, Goodwill
  - Recycling

**“I love to teach”**

- Assist teacher with class lessons
- Craft & activity demonstrations
- Help individual or younger classmates
- Introduce games, rules for play, etc.
- Willing to be a “kid expert” - sharing appropriate behaviors for worship, communion, and leadership, etc. with other kids.