



CHILDREN BROCHURE

MORAVIAN CHURCH – BARBADOS CONFERENCE Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.

S. – Seek & Submit
H. – Hear & Heed
I. – Imagine & Insight
F. – Focus & Function
T. – Totally Transformed

Age: 8 – 12 yrs.

S.H.I.F.T.

October 31

Scripture:

Romans 12:15 “Be joyful with those who are joyful. Be sad with those who are sad.” (NIRV)

Message:

Your best friend's family member has just died and it makes the friend very sad. As a result, you too feel sad and you mourn with them. Another friend might have done an exam and scored top marks so you celebrate with them. And so it is when you laugh and cry, they laugh and cry with you. Persons do not have to be there with you physically, but just knowing they feel the same way you do, and they are supporting you through it all, helps to make the pain a little better and the joy increase some more. It is good to be there one for the other.

You feel so alone when you are experiencing your painful moments and there is no one there to even lift you up in prayer. Or, what is a happy moment when you cannot laugh and share it with friends and family. I don't know about you, but I am happy when others around me are happy. When they are sad, I don't even have to know why they are sad, but I feel down-hearted too. We may not be able to know all the details but we can feel the pain of others as well as share in their joy. When you can say or do nothing, prayer is a powerful tool. Pray for each other, support each other.

Activity:

Place a vowel (A E I O U) in the spaces to complete the sentences

- a) Help someone turn their sorrow into j_y.
- b) Help someone turn their sadness into h_pp_n_ss.
- c) Help someone turn their unhappiness into f_n.
- d) Help someone turn their pain into pl_ _ s_r_.
- e) Help someone turn their hurt into gl_dn_ss.
- f) Help someone turn their dissatisfaction into f_lf_lm_nt.
- g) Help someone turn their upset into l_ _ ght_r.
- h) Help someone turn their torment into p_ _ c_.
- i) Help someone turn their distress into c_nt_ntm_nt.
- j) Help someone turn their ache into d_l_ght.
- k) Help someone turn their trouble into _nj_ym_nt.
- l) Help someone turn their discontent into s_t_sf_ct_ _n.

(Answers next week)

(Answer from last week)

1. When tempted to curse; BLESS
2. When tempted to hurt; BLESS
3. When tempted to destroy; BLESS
4. When tempted to wound; BLESS
5. When tempted to damage; BLESS
6. When tempted to harm; BLESS