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“Mommy they’re praying,” said Sandy, surprised that her mom would ask.

For what are they praying?” asked her mom. “They’re praying for my friend Joyce, to get better, so I can play with her again.” Sandy answered.

Let’s all pray,” said her mom and she took little Sandy on her lap.

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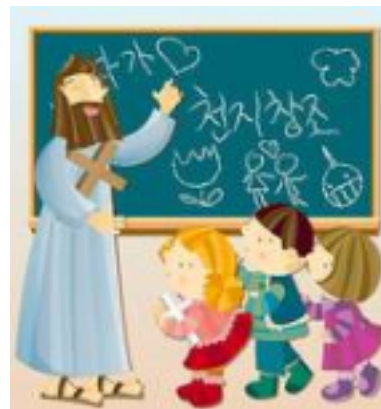
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"For wanting your dollies to pray. When you are grown up and Jesus gives you children, I hope that you will teach them all to pray."

"I will," said Sandy," and I'll want them to know the Bible stories, and all about Jesus and everything written in His Word about how to live."

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Dear Jesus, please fill our minds with Your thinking and plans for us, so that when we are older, we will do what You have told us to do. Remind all parents to teach their children what You have done for them, so that they will trust in Your love and they will keep Your Commandments. Help us to do this also; in Jesus Name. Amen."



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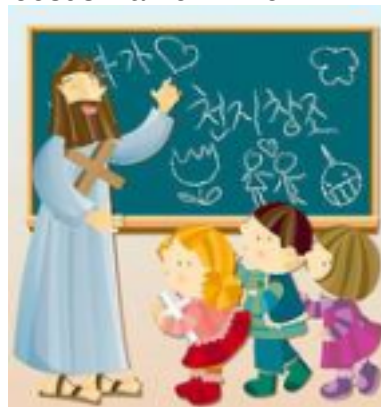
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