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When I think of serving, I first think of my church family at FBC Westwego. There are so many families that use their gifts, talents, and time to serve God and each other and I couldn't be more grateful for it. Our uniqueness allows us bring something different to the table. It is important that each child learns that he/she will serve in a way that is pleasing to God because he/she has special gifts from God!

God gives us many opportunities to serve him in many ways. Jesus is the perfect example of that! In Matthew 5-7, Jesus serves by teaching his followers. When Jesus washes the apostles' feet in John 13:1-17, Jesus shows us how to humble ourselves to help others. We can learn how to serve without being boastful about it when Jesus heals a blind man in Mark 8:22-26. Teaching, helping, comforting, and being kind are great areas to learn about serving others kids. Go through the stories and compare and contrast how Jesus served and how that is modeled for us. How does God expect us to serve in those areas?

Every week in Children's Church we pray for a different church member. We talk about what the person does for the church, how they are serving God by serving the church, and how they have blessed the church by simply being themselves. This week, let's encourage the kids to pray for Mr. Paul Rogers. Let's go one step further! Have your children make a card for Mr. Paul! Knowing someone is praying for you and thinking about you will be a great encouragement to her and serving a member of the church will be a great encouragement to our families too! Let Katie Reine know that you need his address!

Coloring is shown to relax the center of your brain and creates a relaxing state. Print out the Ephesians 2:10 color sheet for your child(ren) and even yourself! Coloring together is a perfect opportunity to discuss the importance of Jesus's life, death, and resurrection. After all, everything in the bible whispers His name.

Most importantly, pray together. I can't stress enough how important it is to pray for one another and with one another during this time. Be sure to ask the children if they want to lead prayer time. You may be surprised at what their tender hearts come up with!

