



# LOVING IS GIVING

**SEPTEMBER 2023**  
**KIDS ASSEMBLY TOPIC**

## 2023 Kids Assembly Topic for September

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### OBJECTIVES

At the end of the session, the kids should be able to:

- Know that we have something to give
- Value the importance of sharing the faith and the gift of ourselves to others
- Generously give their time, talent and treasure to those in need

### MOTIVATION

**Activity:** *Collection Box*

**Materials:** Papers, Pens, Big Box and Small Prize

### Instructions:

1. On a sheet of paper, ask the kids to make several list of the following:
  - Five toys they don't play with anymore
  - Five books they don't read anymore
  - Five clothing items they no longer wear
2. The child who completes his list wins first a small prize
3. Explain to the kids that there are kids who don't have toys, books and clothes. And they can help these kids by donating their unused possessions to a local homeless shelter or relief organization.
4. Ask kids to donate items from their list with parent's permission.



## EXPANDED OUTLINE

### I. HEAD

Hey kids! Have you ever given a present to your parents or someone you really like? How about sharing your snacks with your friends at school? Did you ever let your brothers or sisters play with your toys or wear your clothes? I bet you've done some of that! And you know why? Because of love! When we love someone, we naturally want to share and give them things.

You know what, it is Jesus who taught us about love and giving. He said it's awesome to give to the people we know and love, like our family and friends. But he also talked about loving our neighbors – that means people around us, even if we don't know them so well. Jesus said we should especially care for those who need help, like people who might be feeling lost or left out.

Jesus wants us to share our time, talent, and treasure with others. So, just like how you share with your close ones, Jesus wants us to show love by giving to others, even if we don't know them as well.



### II. HEART

One does not have to be rich in order to give and to help. Small hands, big hearts — these are the things that a generous child should have. And here are the loving things that we can do and give to our neighbor:

#### 1. Do small acts of kindness

You can lend a helping hand when you see someone in need. Hold the door for a stranger. Share a smile or if you have leftover food, you can give it to someone who needs it. Remember, every act of kindness counts and can undeniably brighten someone's day beyond measure.

## **2. Share and tell them about Jesus**

People are not just in need of material things, but also love and that are. Many do not know Jesus because no one tells them. And we know that the most important thing that we must have in this world is our relationship with Jesus. You can make them know Jesus by telling them that Jesus loves them and by sharing too how Jesus has been good in your life and in your family.

## **3. Give despite your differences**

God made us uniquely and equally. We are all equal in God's eyes and we should be like that to our neighbor. Let's not be quick to judge, but always choose to be loving and be kind no matter where this person comes from.

We can give without loving, but we cannot love without giving. When your heart is full of love for the Lord, you can't help but share this love to others. And the best way to love them is by sharing the gift of ourselves to them.



### **III. HANDS**

#### **A. Kids at Play (3-4 years old)**

**Activity:** TOGETHER TO GET THERE COLORING PAGE (Appendix A)

**Materials:** Coloring Materials

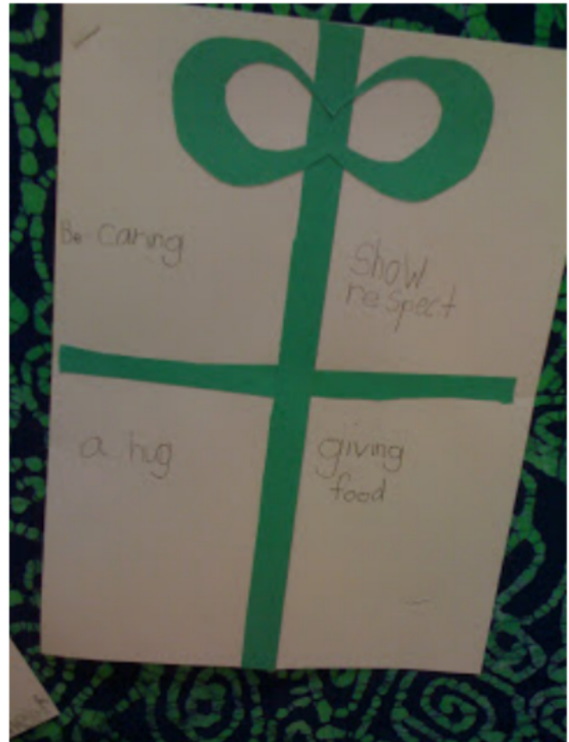
**Instructions:**

1. Get your crayons or any of your coloring materials and start to put colors into the drawing page.
2. Note to the facilitator: After doing the activity, before the assembly ends, call some representatives and let the kids share their work to the group.

## B. First Steps (5-7 years old), Footsteps (8-10 years old)

**Activity:** GIVING IS BETTER

**Sample Output:**



### **Materials:**

- Colored Papers
- Scissors
- Crayons
- Glue/Paste



**Instructions:**

The kids are encouraged to make a gift-shaped graphic organizer where they will write down 4 ways on how they can share with others.

**C. Step Up (10-12 years old)**

**Activity:** HOUSEHOLD

**Discussion:**

- What other things can I do to help those in need?

**I. TAKEAWAY**

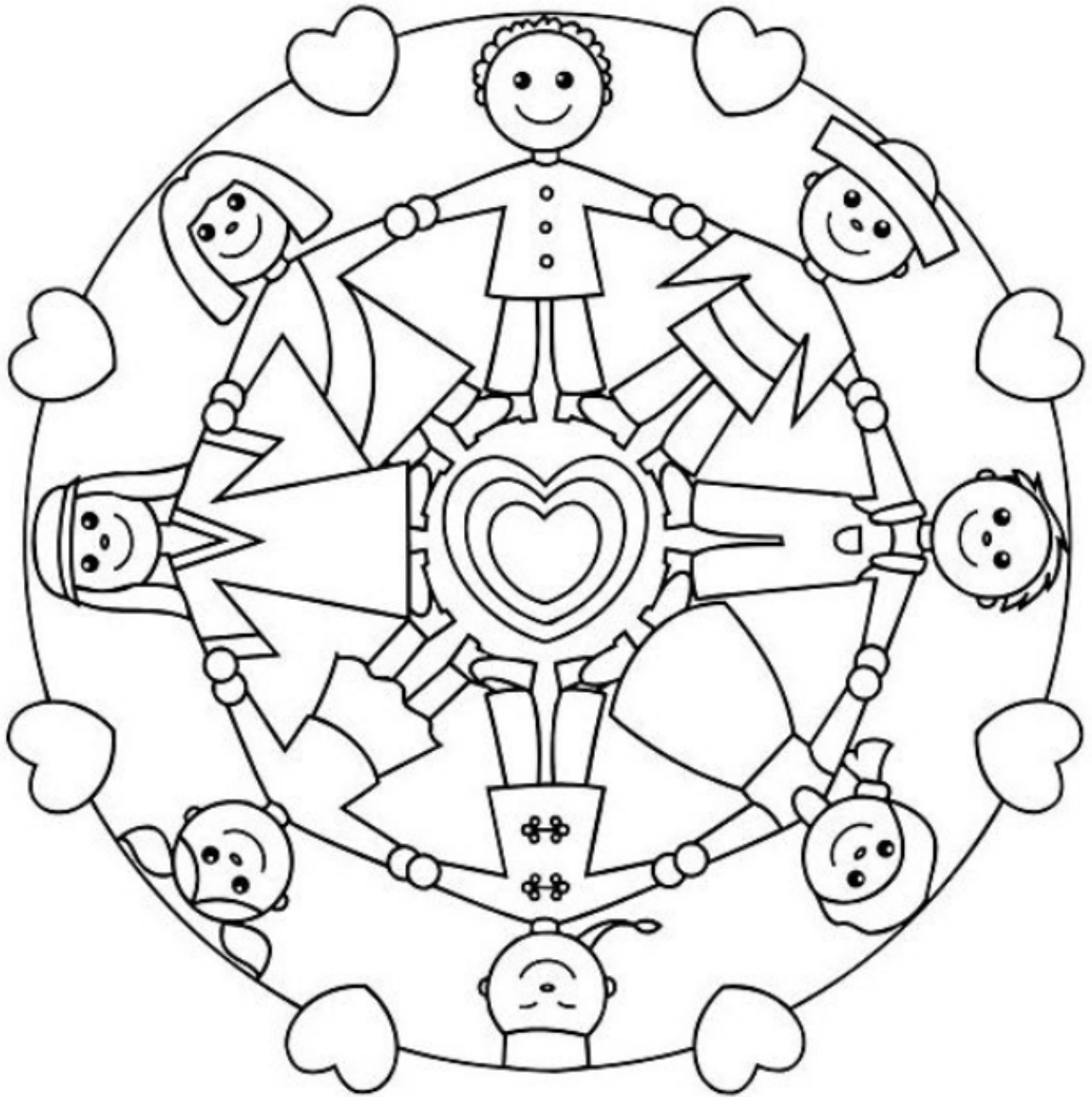
St. Teresa of Avila once said, *“Christ has no body now, but yours. No hands, no feet on earth, but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.”* Let’s be the body, heart and mind of God in this world.



## **RECITATION OF MFC KIDS PROMISE**

1. I will imitate Jesus.
  - I will pray to God and read the Bible every day.
  - I will make Jesus my role model by obeying rules and doing good in school.
  
2. I will be a good family member.
  - I will be a good son/daughter to my parents by obeying and respecting them.
  - I will be a good sister/brother to my siblings through sharing and supporting them.
  
3. I will be an active member of MFC Kids
  - I will always attend and participate in all MFC Kids activities.
  - I will share my time, talents, and treasures with others, especially with my brothers and sisters in MFC Kids
  - I will love, respect and be loyal to my MFC Kids family.
  
4. I will tell others about Jesus.
  - I will love my brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends by doing good deeds every day that will reflect God's love.
  - I will serve in our Parish Church.
  - I will love the poor by sharing what I have with them

Appendix A (Kids at Play)







## **Conviction Statement**

**Hello Coordinators and Heart Champs!**

Kindly instruct our MFC Kids members attending the assembly to write this conviction statement on their 2023 Conviction Statement Card after finishing their activity. The card will be their attendance tracker as they attend our Kids Assemblies every month.

**September:**

**I WILL BE FIRM IN LOVING  
BY GIVING!**





**Dear Parents/Guardians,**


A Blessed day! Thank you for letting your kids attend our Kids Assembly this month of September and for being one with us in believing that they are ***never too young to know Christ***. We honor your love and passion in making your child/ren closer to the Lord.


Our topic this month is about “**LOVING IS GIVING**”. They have learned the importance of giving as they continue to respond to Jesus’ call to love others. Their faith and the gift of themselves are one thing that they can offer and give to others especially to those in need. And we want to encourage you to help your kids grow in faith and love this year. Here are some habits you might establish within your family that will help deepen your faith:

**1. Engage in a volunteer experience** alongside your child. Volunteering offers a wonderful opportunity to cultivate a spirit of generosity in your child/ren. Your community or local parish likely offers a range of volunteer activities that you and your child can participate in together.

**2. Initiate charitable donations** with your child. Work together with them to go through their old toys and clothes, identifying items they no longer use or wear. Involve your child in the process of donating these items to a charitable organization. This hands-on experience allows them to witness the impact of their contributions on children similar to them, nurturing a sense of fulfillment through giving.

**3. Share stories** with your child/ren about influential people who loves helping those in need. By discussing many ways in which people offer help and telling specific examples of such activities within your community, you provide your child with real-life pictures of compassionate actions between people.





After doing the activities, we encourage you to post these on your social media accounts so that you can inspire other parents and families to journey with their kids. Use these hashtags - #MFCKids #ParentChildActivity #MomentsThatMatter

Thank you very much and we hope to be with your kid/s next month!

**MFC Kids Team**

