

## Week 2 Family Letter

# Creation Is God's Gift for Us to Enjoy: God Made the World

(Genesis 1)

A long, long time ago, when God was busy making the world, He made mountains and trees, rivers and flowers. But there were no animals. There were no dogs to bark. There were no lions to roar. There were no monkeys to chatter. There were no cows to moo. God hadn't yet made the animals that make those sounds.

So God said, "Let there be animals to swim in the sea and fly in the sky. Let there be animals to walk and crawl and jump and run on the land." God looked at what He made. It was good. Then God made the very first people. He took some clay and shaped a man. Then God breathed into the clay, and the man became alive. God called the man Adam. Then God made a woman. God called her Eve. God loved Adam and Eve.

God gave us life too. He gave us bodies that can do many things. He gave us heads that can think. He gave us arms that can reach up high and give big hugs. God gave us hands that can clap. God gave us legs that can walk and run and march. God gave us feet that can tiptoe. God is so good to us. He loves us, and we love Him!

### Bible Words

And God saw that it was good.

Genesis 1:10

### Dear Family,

Look at the animals in the picture. Can your child name some of them? Take your child to the zoo one day or visit a farm in your area. As you look at the animals, praise God for all He made. Discuss things like how many legs the animals have, whether they are big or small, short or tall, heavy or light, what color they are, and whether they have feathers or fur or neither. This is a good chance to increase your child's vocabulary.

Look at the picture of the first people that God made. Let your child color the pictures of Adam and Eve using a crayon that closely resembles your child's own skin tone. God made your child unique. His or her growth and development are in God's control. God loves him or her very much. The depth of that love is shown in that God sent His only Son, Jesus, to die on the cross to save us. God claims your child as a child of His eternal kingdom. Each day as you watch your child learn and grow, remember that our Creator God loves with an everlasting love. Thank God for a growing child! Read the story on page 23 of *The Story Bible* together.



