

Dear Class,

You are invited to wonder, celebrate, and delight with me in a new expedition of learning! This expedition will help us celebrate how we are a deeply loved child of God and how we can deeply love others in God's family.

Today you are going to meet a very special new friend! You are going to meet your sponsor child friend. We will be reading the story, *African Heartbeat* to help us learn more about what it means to have a sponsor child friend, I am so excited for you to hear this story and to think about ways we can deeply love our new sponsor child in God's family.

In this new expedition, we are going to celebrate family and the special place we have in God's family. Come along with me as we learn more about God's deep love for you as a child of God and celebrate with me all that is delightful and wonderful about God's family.

With excitement,
(teacher's name)