

Appendix II Stories

Children said that praying together was more powerful. They said that they are like a king or queen as they lead the big group to pray. Church leaders acknowledged that they should train children, the next generation, to be ready for their responsibility in mission.

Cambodia

Asnath is a 15 year old young girl who lives with her mother after her parents marriage broke up . Asnath was among the children who participated in the world weekend of prayer last year. One of her personal prayer points was to see her family coming together again. This year Asnath told us, *“I thank God very much because of how he always cares for his people. For a long time my father and my mother were separated to such an extent that they would not even communicate with each other through their phones. At the end of the last year, they started calling each other. This gave me confidence to believe that soon they are going to re-unite once again. Glory be to God who is always answering our prayer”* **Tanzania**

Some reflections from children:

- *“I have learnt that God created the world and everything in it and he gave people the responsibility to love and care for the animals”*
- *“Pray for one another and trust in God. You can put anything in God’s hands even if you are in trouble God can help you and guide you.”*
- *“We need to take care of God’s creation. All children need to go to school and be educated.”* **Zambia**

One child who did the lesson felt she contributed well in encouraging other children across the world to appreciate God and to take responsibility of protecting and improving the world. Later, after the prayer meeting, one parent gave feedback that her child who had started being involved in drugs and self-destroying behaviour came back to confess and ask for guidance and support as he tried to reform back to being a responsible child. **Zimbabwe**