



# Welcoming Others



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## The Story

*told by Mrs. McMillan*

In the story today, I am going to talk about how important welcoming others is for Jesus. Jesus showed this many times in His daily life and through His stories. You will hear about a few of these special welcoming times and then, at the end of the stories, we will find out about how to join Jesus' Welcoming Club. But first, you might have some questions about joining this club! You might ask if there is a fee to join or how old you have to be or maybe, when are the meetings? Well, there is no fee and any age is the perfect age to join. Hopefully, there will be meetings everyday and if you think that you don't have time, you might be surprised if you put God first.

Now, let's get started! Click on my picture and listen to my stories about Jesus who lovingly welcomed everyone.

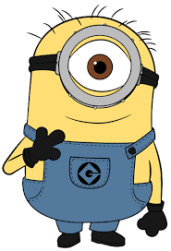
## The Song - I've Got Peace Like a River

When you join Jesus' Welcoming Club by letting Him into your heart, this song will tell you how you will feel. Click on the music notes to find the song. Sing along with your family and try to do the actions. You might not catch any fish, but it's a 'catchy' tune all the same.



## The Craft - Minion Greeting Cards

We all feel a bit shy when we are in a new place or with people we don't know. Sometimes, we just need to let a friend or family member see our welcoming heart. How wonderful would it be if you made a card that says 'Welcome' with a Minion on the front and 'You're One in a Minion!' on the inside of the card.



Click on the Minion to see the ideas that Mrs. McMillan suggests in the video or [click here](#) to see another example of a Minion card. You could even design your own creation. All that you need is some yellow, blue, black and white construction or poster paper, small circles (eg lids) or a compass, a black magic marker, a pencil, scissors and glue.

## A Game - Fruit Basket

This is a great, all-inclusive game to play at home with your family or a few friends; it can also be played on the school playground. The children form a circle, with acceptable distancing, with one person standing in the middle who will be the caller. Each child is assigned a fruit name 'apple, orange, etc.' with more than one child having the same fruit name. When the caller calls out a fruit eg. apple, the apple kids, including the caller, exchange places. The one with no spot becomes the caller. Two fruit groups can be called at the same time. If 'Fruit Basket' is called, everybody changes places.



to all of our Messy Church friends who are celebrating  
September birthdays!

Thanks for joining us! Watch for the next Messy Church online on October 9, 2020.