

10 DO'S AND DON'TS OF CHILD SPONSORSHIP

Don't...

Make promises. It can be tempting to want to promise the world to your child, but it's important to remember that it's not always possible to fulfill promises.

Hesitate to let your child know how they can pray for you. The children feel empowered by being able to give back to their sponsors whom they love so much.

Worry about the amount you can give not being enough. A little goes a long way in a third world country.

Hesitate to ask the ministry for an update on your child. We are in constant contact with our social workers on the ground in Ethiopia, and are happy to check in on your child. Just ask!

Forget to pray for your child. The power of prayer makes a difference.



Do...

Write to your child and send pictures of family and pets. The children crave connection with their sponsors and are thrilled to receive letters and pictures in the mail.

Encourage your child. They look up to you as a role model and parental figure and your encouragement goes a long way.

Keep the content of your letters age appropriate. It's important to be sensitive to economic and cultural differences.

Remember your child for birthdays and holidays. You can send a card or letter, send a financial gift for your child's social worker to use to purchase a gift on your behalf, or mail a package directly to Ethiopia.

Visit your child. If your circumstances allow, your child would be thrilled for you to visit them in their home.

