

How to Set/Update State of StatefulWidget from other StatefulWidget in Flutter?

1. On Child Widget : add parameter Function paramter

```
class ChildWidget extends StatefulWidget {
  final Function() notifyParent;
  ChildWidget({Key key, @required this.notifyParent}) : super(key: key);
}
```

2. On Parent Widget : create a Function for the child to callback

```
refresh() {
  setState(() {});
}
```

3. On Parent Widget : pass parentFunction to Child Widget

```
new ChildWidget( notifyParent: refresh );
```

4. On Child Widget : call the Parent Function

```
widget.notifyParent();
```

OLD: Create a global instance of `_MyHomePageState`. Use this instance in `_SubState` as `_myHomePageState.setState`

NEW: No need to create global instance. Instead just pass the parent instance to the child widget

CODE UPDATED AS PER FLUTTER 0.8.2:

```
import 'package:flutter/material.dart';

void main() => runApp(new MyApp());

class MyApp extends StatelessWidget {
  @override
  Widget build(BuildContext context) {
    return new MaterialApp(
      title: 'Flutter Demo',
      theme: new ThemeData(
```

```
        primarySwatch: Colors.blue,
      ),
      home: new MyHomePage(),
    );
  }
}

EdgeInsets globalMargin =
  const EdgeInsets.symmetric(horizontal: 20.0, vertical: 20.0);
TextStyle textStyle = const TextStyle(
  fontSize: 100.0,
  color: Colors.black,
);

class MyHomePage extends StatefulWidget {
  @override
  _MyHomePageState createState() => _MyHomePageState();
}

class _MyHomePageState extends State<MyHomePage> {
  int number = 0;

  @override
  Widget build(BuildContext context) {
    return new Scaffold(
      appBar: new AppBar(
        title: new Text('SO Help'),
      ),
      body: new Column(
        children: <Widget>[
          new Text(
            number.toString(),
            style: textStyle,
          ),
          new GridView.count(
            crossAxisCount: 2,
            shrinkWrap: true,
            scrollDirection: Axis.vertical,
            children: <Widget>[
              new InkResponse(
                child: new Container(
                  margin: globalMargin,
                  color: Colors.green,
                  child: new Center(
                    child: new Text(
                      "+",
                      style: textStyle,
                    ),
                  ),
                ),
              ),
              onTap: () {
                setState(() {
                  number = number + 1;
                });
              },
            ],
          ),
        ],
      ),
    );
  }
}
```

```

        new Sub(this),
      ],
    ),
  ],
),
floatingActionButton: new FloatingActionButton(
  onPressed: () {
    setState(() {});
  },
  child: new Icon(Icons.update),
),
);
}
}

class Sub extends StatelessWidget {

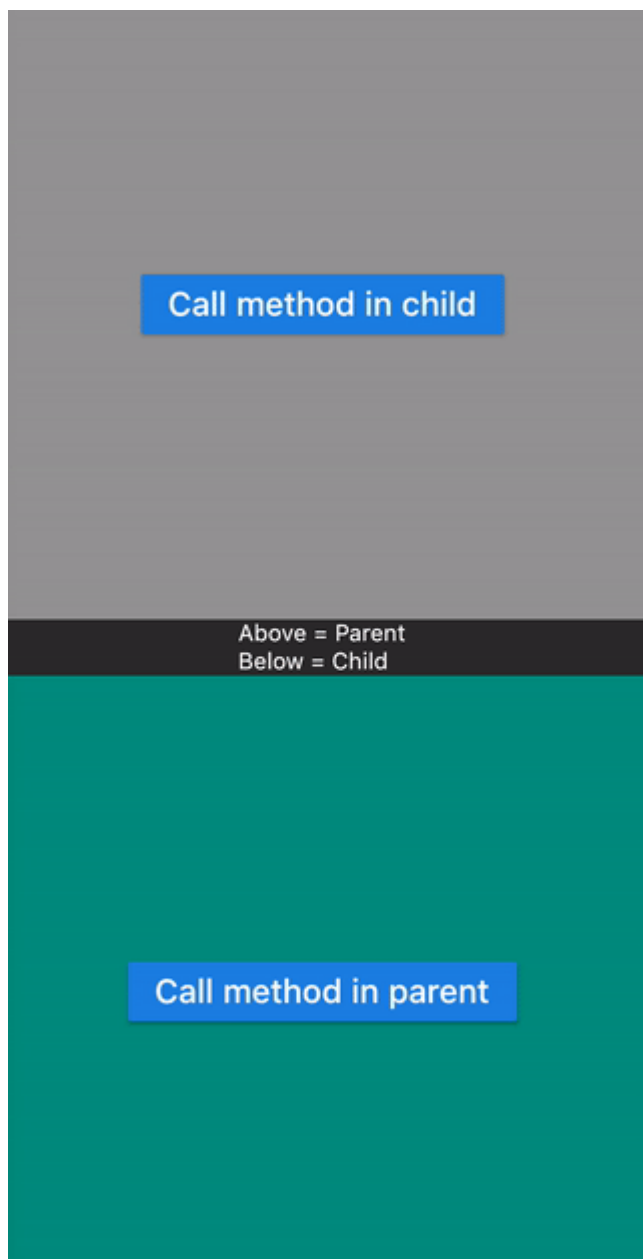
  _MyHomePageState parent;

  Sub(this.parent);

  @override
  Widget build(BuildContext context) {
    return new InkResponse(
      child: new Container(
        margin: globalMargin,
        color: Colors.red,
        child: new Center(
          child: new Text(
            "-",
            style: textStyle,
          ),
        )),
    onTap: () {
      this.parent.setState(() {
        this.parent.number --;
      });
    },
  );
}
}

```

Just let me know if it works.



This examples shows calling a method

1. Defined in Child widget from Parent widget.
2. Defined in Parent widget from Child widget.

```
class ParentPage extends StatefulWidget {  
  @override  
  _ParentPageState createState() => _ParentPageState();  
}  
  
class _ParentPageState extends State<ParentPage> {  
  final GlobalKey<ChildPageState> _key = GlobalKey();  
  
  @override  
  Widget build(BuildContext context) {  
    return Scaffold(  

```

```

    appBar: AppBar(title: Text("Parent")),
    body: Center(
      child: Column(
        children: <Widget>[
          Expanded(
            child: Container(
              color: Colors.grey,
              width: double.infinity,
              alignment: Alignment.center,
              child: RaisedButton(
                child: Text("Call method in child"),
                onPressed: () => _key.currentState.methodInChild(), // calls method in child
              ),
            ),
          ),
          Text("Above = Parent\nBelow = Child"),
          Expanded(
            child: ChildPage(
              key: _key,
              function: methodInParent,
            ),
          ),
        ],
      ),
    ),
  );
}

methodInParent() => Fluttertoast.showToast(msg: "Method called in parent", gravity: ToastGravity.
}

class ChildPage extends StatefulWidget {
  final Function function;

  ChildPage({Key key, this.function}) : super(key: key);

  @override
  ChildPageState createState() => ChildPageState();
}

class ChildPageState extends State<ChildPage> {
  @override
  Widget build(BuildContext context) {
    return Container(
      color: Colors.teal,
      width: double.infinity,
      alignment: Alignment.center,
      child: RaisedButton(
        child: Text("Call method in parent"),
        onPressed: () => widget.function(), // calls method in parent
      ),
    );
  }
}

```

```
methodInChild() => Fluttertoast.showToast(msg: "Method called in child");  
}
```

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