

# Standing Tall in Ethiopia

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My name is  
**Tsion!**

I live in Ethiopia, a country in eastern Africa. I like playing soccer and reading. And I want to be a doctor when I grow up. I try to stand tall by living the gospel every day and sharing it with my friends!



### HOW I GOT A TESTIMONY

*I came to church for the first time when I was eight. I read the Book of Mormon, I listened to the missionaries, and I prayed. The Spirit told me the Church was true, and I wanted to be baptized. The gospel makes me happy.*



### HELPING MY FAMILY

*My family usually walks to church, and it takes about an hour. When my little brother gets tired, my brother or I will carry him. I help at home by washing dishes and cleaning the house.*



### SHARING WHAT I KNOW

*I tell my friends at school about the restored gospel. One friend used to ask me about the Church—then she suddenly stopped. I asked her why. She said her parents were upset. I hope someday her parents will change their minds.*

### SEND US YOUR STORY

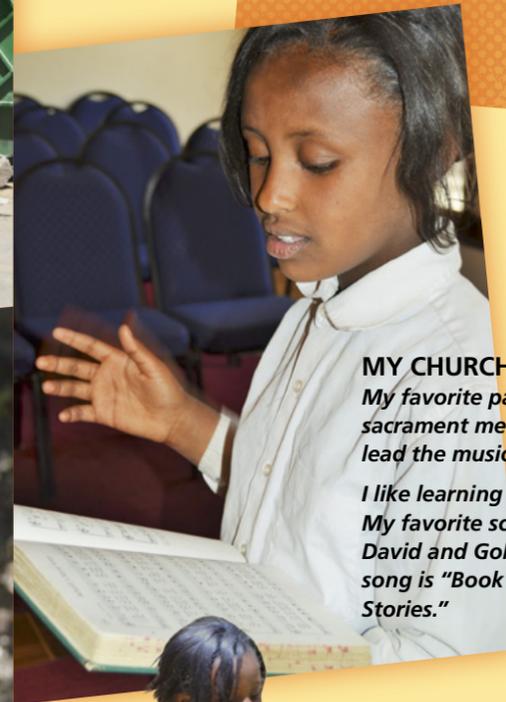
How do you follow Jesus by standing tall? Send us your experience and photo, along with your parent's permission. Send it in online at [liahona.lds.org](http://liahona.lds.org) (click "Submit an Article") or by emailing [liahona@ldschurch.org](mailto:liahona@ldschurch.org).

### TSION'S TIPS FOR STANDING TALL

- Gain a testimony for yourself. Read the scriptures and pray.
- Share your testimony and be a good example to your friends.
- Go to church every Sunday and live the gospel standards.

### MY CHURCH CALLING

*My favorite part of church is sacrament meeting. I get to lead the music. I like learning about the gospel. My favorite scripture story is David and Goliath. My favorite song is "Book of Mormon Stories."*



### WHAT STANDING TALL MEANS TO ME

*"Standing tall" means living the gospel every day. Heavenly Father and Jesus want me to testify of Them! I want all of my friends around the world to share the restored gospel with their friends.*



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