

An Awana leader's story

This is the Seth's story. Seth and his sister were adopted in to a good Christian family here in our church, about two years ago. His sister didn't have much trouble adapting to the change, but because of what happened to Seth before the adoption and the upheaval of this process in his life, all the previous AWANA leaders and Sunday school teachers were having a hard time controlling him. He would not leave the other children alone so they could listen, or they could not even get him to sit. And to try to have him do his own work? That was out of the question. This is when we, (my wife and I) started to help with AWANA. For some reason they put Seth in our small group, and about the second week I saw myself in Seth. I was the same way when I was a small boy. Although I hadn't gone through the things that Seth had, what I needed back then was some attention and a little guidance. My wife and I started to pray about it and decided to make Seth our little helper, having him pass out papers, and other little jobs. Within about a month Seth changed and now he is one of the nicest little boys. He is pleasant and caring. This would not have happened without the loving help of his parents and the Sunday school teachers. But it is such a joy to know that WE can be used to be a help in creating Godly young men and young women.

Names were changed and withheld for privacy