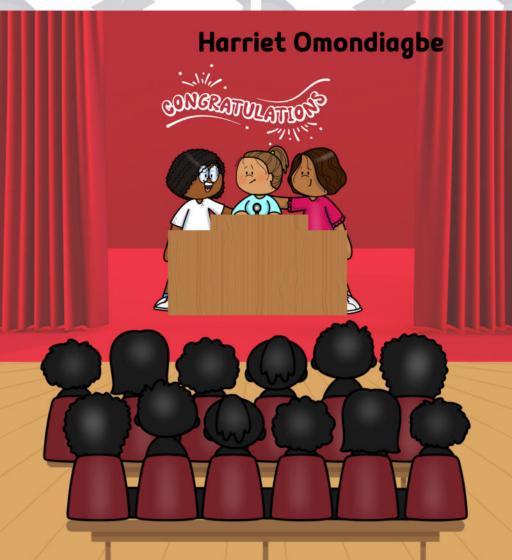
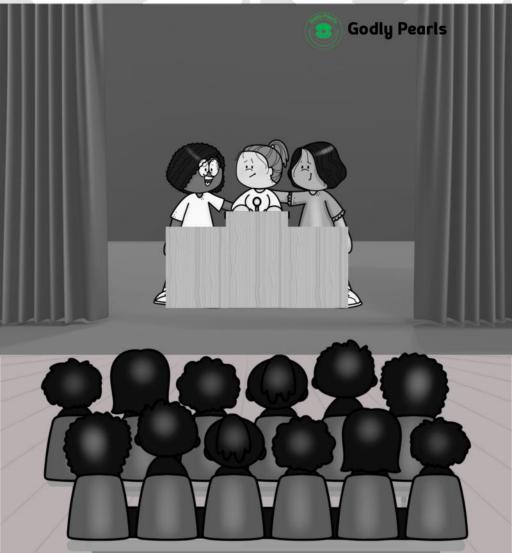
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"Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You". Psalm 56:3

"I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me".

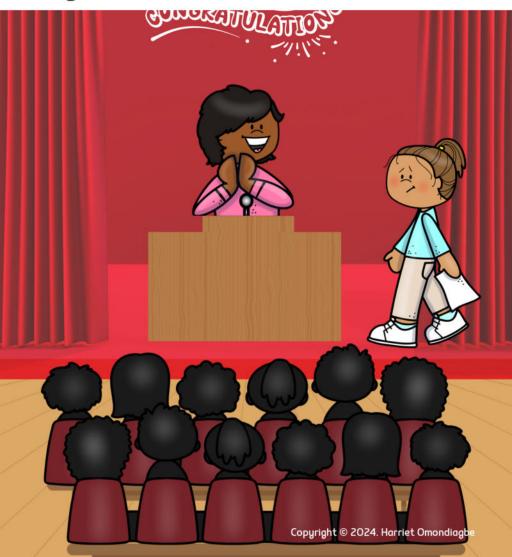
Philippians 4:12-13

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It was the Little Stars Sunday School Graduation ceremony.

I would be giving a speech on behalf of all the students who were graduating.

When Miss Trisha introduced me, everyone started to clap as I boldly walked up to the stage.



"There is a time for everything. A time to graduate and a time to.....," I started to speak. I looked up at the students, friends, and families sitting quietly and listening to my speech.

My feet became cold. I was extremely nervous.



"He.e.ll.o. o, I'm.....," I started to stammer.

There is no way I am going to finish this speech, I thought to myself.

I looked away from the crowd and checked the speech I had written.

I could not find the line I was supposed to read!



I cannot do this, I cannot do this, I thought to myself.

Maybe I should just walk off the stage?
I could feel the sweat dripping off my face.
What do I do now?



Just then, someone tapped on my shoulder. To my surprise, my friend, Katrina was there smiling at me.

"Take a deep breath. You can do this. When you are afraid, you can trust in God," she whispered.

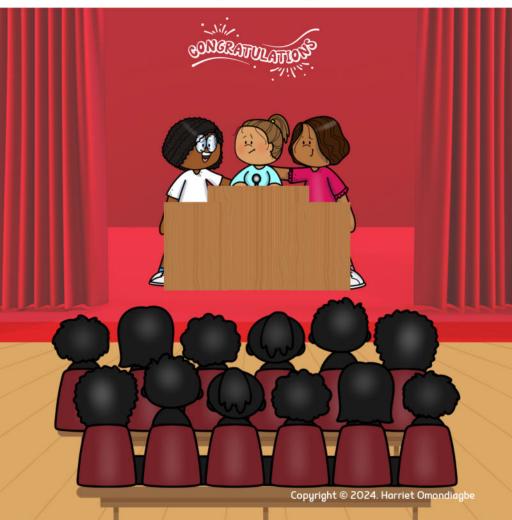


Then, Fiona, another friend also walked up to the stage.

"You can do this, Beth. You can do this because Jesus gives you courage," she whispered.

I cleared my throat and tried again.

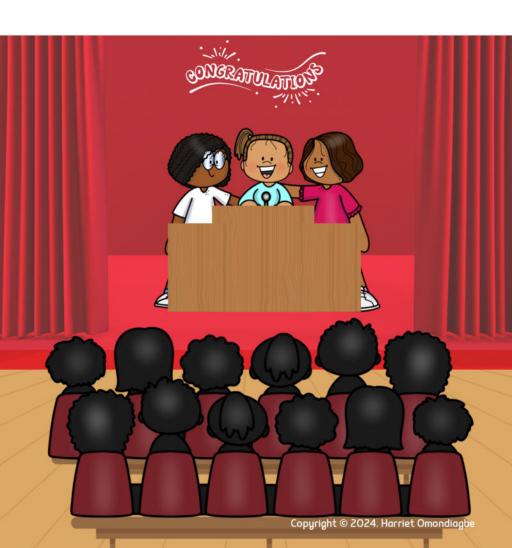
"Hello, I'm Beth Meevan, giving a speech on behalf of all Sunday School graduates."



"First, I want to say a big thank you to all our wonderful Sunday School teachers.

Thank you for your love, patience, and commitment over the years.

You have taught us the word of God and shown by example, how to live like Jesus," I continued.



"Thanks to all our friends and families for your love, care, and support over the years. God bless you all," I said, as I finished my speech.

Everyone started to clap. I felt so relieved and happy.

I glanced at Katrina and Fiona who were still standing by my side.

"You are the best!" I whispered to them.



About the book.

When Miss Trisha called Beth to the stage to give a speech during the Little Stars Sunday School Graduation ceremony, Beth became nervous and started to stammer. Did she find the courage to deliver her speech?

The book, *Beth's graduation speech*, is a short, interesting and easy-to-read book. Children will learn that they can overcome their fears with the help of Jesus, as well as friends who come alongside when things are difficult.

Other books by the author.

- 1. Dear God, Your love is the best!
- 2. My emotions and God
- 3.I can praise God
- 4.ABCs of nighttime talk with God
- 5. Not disabled
- 6. Looking for Larry
- 7. Skateboard Pride
- 8. The true Christmas story
- 9. Mr. Denver needs a helping hand
- 10. No hat, no playand more!

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