

Miller Family Adoption

Read-A-Thon Fundraiser

Dear Friends and Family,

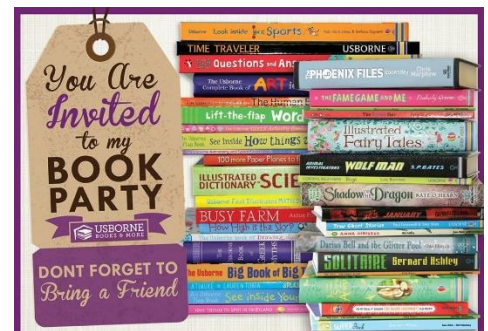
We are excited to introduce you to our family adoption **Read-A-Thon** Fundraiser! This is a fundraiser event for our adoption which will help raise funds while encouraging our children's love for reading. Our children, Ansel and Sophia, wanted to help bring their brother home. They have decided this was a way they could make a difference and are asking you to consider joining them. The **Read-A-Thon** allows our children to have an active role in helping bring their brother home by raising money without selling anything. One hundred percent of the money collected will go directly to our next payment in the adoption process. ANYONE can participate. We will be officially kicking off the **Read-A-Thon** on Thursday, April 13th, 2017 when you can begin collecting pledges. This is designed to be easy and fun, so we are hoping everyone will participate.

Here's how it works- Starting Thursday, April 13th participants will secure pledges from friends and family. First, participants will set a "minimum goal" for themselves. Each sponsor will pledge to pay for each minute the participant reads or are read to! The sponsor can choose any amount they wish, or choose to pay a flat fee for the total minutes read. Second, participants will begin reading. Minutes are counted, instead of books for this fundraiser. For two weeks (May 1st-May 13th) participants will read and record their minutes each day by using the Minute Recording Sheet.

When the reading period ends, the participant will tally up their minutes, collect their pledge money from sponsors, and will mail the collected money to us by Friday, May 26th. You may also drop off your final donations to us at an arranged time. Everyone who participates will be entered to win an Usborne book prize pack.

Again, ANYONE can participate. Parents can read to younger children and parents can collect pledges and read those books that have long waited to read. Our desire is to engage people in reading while raising funds for our adoption. This packet includes a Guidelines Page, a Sponsor Form, Minute Recording Sheet, and an Information Sheet about our family and our adoption for you or your children to share with people as you seek pledges.

We have been blessed us with an opportunity to receive the profits from an Usborne book party as well. This is a great chance to purchase new books to read for the Read-A-Thon, books as Easter gifts, or both. My Usborne party will be a Facebook show on April 2nd. You don't have to wait, you can order now at <https://a6426.myubam.com/629511>.



Read-A-Thon Fundraiser

Start reading and recording your minutes on Monday, May 1, 2017.

Use your Minute Recording Sheet to officially keep track of how many minutes you read each day during the Read-A-Thon. Use your Sponsorship Form to keep track of your sponsors and how much they have pledged to donate.

Here is what counts and does not count toward your goal.

DOES COUNT

Reading before and after school.

Being read to by other people
(Before or after school)

Reading aloud to others.

Reading assigned homework.

Reading on a train, with a fox, in the rain
or on the box.

Reading to someone who is participating in
The Read-A-thon counts for BOTH OF YOU.

Reading anything, in any language.

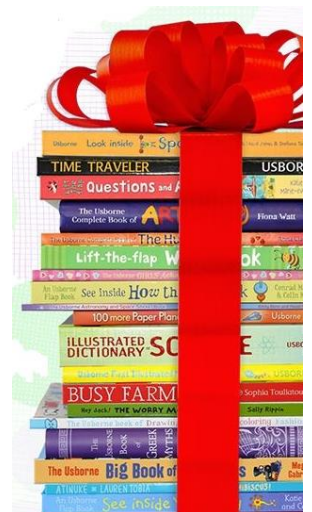
DOES NOT COUNT

Reading before the official beginning
of the Read-A-Thon does NOT count.

Reading during class time does NOT count

Please remember to be honest with your minutes so that it will be fair and fun for everyone! The last day for the Read-A-Thon is Saturday, May 13. No minutes will be counted after May 13.

Make sure that you return your collected money to us by Friday, May 26th, to be eligible for the Usborne book Prize Pack give away.



MINUTE RECORDING SHEET

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

MY GOAL IS TO READ _____ MINUTES IN 13 DAYS!

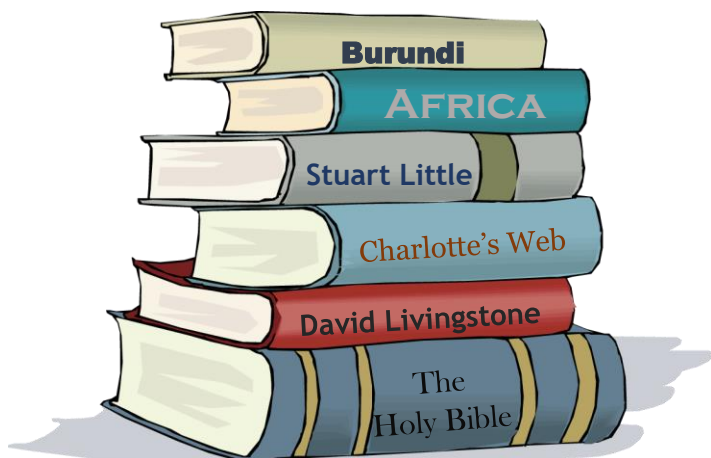
BEGIN READING ON MONDAY, MAY 1ST, 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6
	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13
Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:	Reading Time:

Actual Reading Time: _____ minutes in 13

Reasonable Reading Goals per Day

Grade	# of Minutes Read Per Day
K	10 Minutes
1-3	15-20 Minutes
4-6	20-30 Minutes



ABOUT THE FAMILY

Dusty and Deidra have been married for 13 years. Ansel is 10 years old and Sophia is 8 years old. As a family we have been praying for God's plan in growing our family. Ansel and Sophia are so excited about getting a brother. We believe God has led us to Burundi. If you are like us, you might not know much about this country.

Burundi, officially the Republic of Burundi, is a landlocked country in the African Great Lakes region of East Africa. Small, poor, densely populated, and landlocked, Burundi lies just south of the Equator. From the capital, Bujumbura, on Lake Tanganyika, a great escarpment rises to fertile highlands. Agriculture employs 90 percent of the people.



"I can't wait to play with my brother. We will be able to play sports together. I can teach him how to play basketball. We will sleep in our bunkbeds and laugh and talk at night." ~Ansel Miller

"I am excited about being a big sister because Ansel has always been there for me and I think my new bother will too. I can't wait to grow up with both of them. I am excited to have a brother from a different country. I think it will be really exciting to have him in our family." ~Sophia

