Dear Family,

We are ready to begin the last theme of *Fully Alive*, our family life program. Because the partnership of home, church, and school is so important, this letter is written to let you know what we talk about in class, and to offer some ideas for your involvement.

About Theme Five
Theme Five of *Fully Alive* is called "Living in the World." We are not simply individuals who have relationships with family members and friends. We are also members of human society. We want children to become aware of how big the world is, and of the many ways in which people contribute to making it a good home for all. This awareness is the foundation for a Christian attitude of care and personal involvement in the world. For more information go to: www.acbo.on.ca.

In Theme Five we will:
• explore the world as an amazing place to be and to learn about.
• learn about some of the ways people care for God's creation.
• discover some of the kinds of work that adults do to contribute to making the world a good place to be.

Working together at school and at home
• In our classroom, we will be talking about how we learn about the world. Ask your child about his or her favourite way of learning — books, television, the Internet, talking to adults?
• If your child has a book on a topic that he or she finds especially interesting, we would be pleased if it could be loaned to our classroom.
• We will be talking about caring for our home in the world. Adults, and especially parents, are models for their children in the way they use and care for the resources of the world. You might discuss with your child some of the ways that your family reuses and recycles, and tries to reduce the use of energy.
• In class, we will be learning that all work is important and contributes to making the world a good place. Adult work is often mysterious to children, so be sure to tell your child about the kind of work you and other members of your family do.

Teacher: _____ Date:_____