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Dear Friend,

Hello.

Recently I was the godparent to a pathetic seven year old girl whom I have NEVER seen smile. She is in my Sunday School class. Her parents are divorced and her father brings her to church every week.

At her baptism, her mother and her boyfriend were very irreverent, laughing during the ceremony. A friend of hers was another godmother and her contempt for the Catholic Church was vocalized. I have no idea why she was chosen to 'guarentee' the child's Catholic education in the event of the parents' demise. She told me that she had not been to church "in years".

The faithful dad seems much the better parent. I have known him in the church for years. He is not dating anyone and adores his little girl. The Family Law Act in Australia would help this child. Blessings,

But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with their wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31