

# Children's Sabbaths Faith Expression

The "Children's Sabbaths Faith Expression: Taking our cues from the children" section encourages faith communities to value and learn from children's unique perspectives, fostering inclusivity and enriching the spiritual journey for all members. By actively involving children in worship and community activities, we nurture their spiritual growth while building a more compassionate and dynamic faith community.

**Goal:** To empower children to express their faith and social awareness through poetry as their freedom songs.

## Original Poems & Creative Writing: Future Freedom Songs Curated by Ash Love, MSW, MDiv

Welcome to "Future Freedom Songs," a special section dedicated to the vibrant and powerful voices of our children. Here, we celebrate their creativity and wisdom through original poems and creative writing, reflecting their unique perspectives on faith, justice, and community.

Each theme in this section highlights essential aspects of our collective journey, from unity in worship to addressing urgent issues facing children today. Guided by inspiring cultural anchors, these pieces offer a glimpse into the hearts and minds of our young members, illuminating their hopes and dreams for a brighter future.

### GROUNDING QUOTE

Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world.

**Dolores Fernandez  
Huerta**



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We are each other's harvest; we are  
each other's business; we are each  
other's magnitude and bond.

**Gwendolyn Brooks**



## Together We Shine

### **For Kids**

All together  
That's how we work.

All together  
That's how we love.

All together  
That's right right right.

All together  
We are the light light light.

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The way to right wrongs is to turn  
the light of truth upon them.

**Ida B. Wells**



## Turn on the Light

### For Kids

Turn on the light  
It looks a little dark.

Turn on the light  
see my heart  
heart heart.

Turn on the light  
tell the truth, truth, truth.

Turn on the light  
let's move, move, move.

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Each child belongs to all of us and they will bring us a tomorrow in direct relation to the responsibility we have shown to them.



**Maya Angelou**

## We Belong

### **For Kids (children and youth)**

We belong  
Yes, we do!

We are the future  
the future  
our voices matter too!

### **(elders to children and youth)**

You belong  
Yes, you do!

All the children and the youth!

You are the future  
the future  
your voices matter too.

### **For Adults (adults to children and youth)**

You belong,  
Yes, you do!

All the children and the youth.

You are the future  
the future  
your voices matter too!

### **(everyone)**

We belong  
Yes, we do!

We are the future  
the future  
our voices matter too!

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Action, like a sacrament, is the visible form of an invisible spirit, an outward manifestation of an inward power.

**bell hooks**



## We Take Action

### **For Kids**

ACT!

We take action.

ACT!

We take action.

*For our friends  
and our family.*

ACT!

We take action.

ACT!

We take action.

*For freedom and  
for justice.*

ACT!

We take action.

ACT!

We take action.

*Because of love  
love love.*

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When I liberate myself, I liberate others. If you don't speak out ain't nobody going to speak out for you.

**Fannie Lou Hamer**



## For Liberation

All across the nation  
We gotta speak against  
hatred.

All across the nation  
We gotta fight for  
liberation.

All across the nation  
We speak out  
Stand tall  
and fight for liberation.