## The Joy of Belonging

Father, thank You for the joy of sharing daily life with people we love and people who love us.

The burdens are divided and the pleasures multiplied because we share them with these dear people.

Parents, spouses, children, friends, co-workers, Christian brothers and sisters – what would life be without them? Father, You have filled our lives with these wonderful treasures!

They flow from You,
the Giver of every good gift.
They show us Your love and turn it into help and conversation,
fun and learning,
warmth and joy and belonging.
They flood our lives with
all the riches blessings of togetherness.

And just as importantly, they give us opportunities to share Your blessings with others who need them.

Thank You, loving Father, for the rich gifts of togetherness! Thank You for making us belong!

**Hymn: The Joy of Belonging** 

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