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Then somewhere in the mix there's a simple, fun journal activity.

Let's pray that God will raise up an army of mentors for the teens and that these guidebooks will assist them in having real and meaningful conversations together, growing deep faith roots in Christ.

Growing Spiderettes

Spiderettes are also known as spider plant babies and are said to be "easy peasy" to grow for beginner gardeners, at least according to the experts! However, my track record with mama spider plants isn't great. (I suspect they were all killed off by too much watering!) So, when the latest mama plant started to droop, I quickly cut off all the babies and popped them in jars of water.

It's been fascinating and exciting to watch the healthy root systems grow and develop. I'm pretty hopeful that, once potted in the right soil, they'll have a great chance of surviving. Thriving even!

Growing Teens

Since the beginning of June, the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) writing team have been busy creating a mentors' guidebook to accompany the series of Crossing books for teens. This guidebook will eventually contain 50 lessons that can be used in weekly mentoring sessions with teenagers.

I think of these teens as being a bit like tiny spider plant babies that are full of potential to grow and flourish in the faith. Through the mentoring of mature Christian men and women, they can be encouraged to explore and deepen their walk with God. It is our desire to create a helpful guidebook, equipping the mentors with good questions to ask the teens. We've also supplied biblical answers and additional points that can be made. Each session starts with an opening prayer and ends with a suggested song. The memory verse is explained in context and as it connects with the theme.



"Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness." Colossians 2:7 (NLT)

Prayer Points

- Join with us in thanking God for the 35 sessions written for the TEE mentoring guidebook over the past three months. Ask for the strength needed to complete the remaining sessions and the editing work by the end of September.
- Remember the TEE department as it faces financial difficulties brought about by the pandemic. Ask for wisdom for the Board of Management as they seek to deal with these challenges.
- Thank God that more vaccine supplies are coming into Kenya this month and pray for the quick roll out of these throughout the country. Remember the 4,500 bereaved families in Kenya who have lost a loved one to the Covid-19 virus since last year.