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The Seed from Heaven

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When a seemingly insignificant seed fell onto an old man's head, nothing quite prepared him and the people around him for the marvel that was to unfold.

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ABOUT THE SEED FROM HEAVEN

WHY I WROTE THIS STORY

Seventeen years ago, my best friend was blessed with a baby girl. Priscilla was fair, pretty and very quiet. She did not enjoy holding her milk bottle. She did not like to talk. She did not like to look at faces and loud noises can sometimes scare her.

At first, we were puzzled. But we love her.

We learn that every brain is different. Some children can run very fast. Others like to be quiet and read. Some like to sing and dance in front of people. Others like to play for hours in the sun, building sandcastles. Some find it easy to read and count. Others find it difficult.

Priscilla loves to be hugged. When she is happy, she can laugh very loudly. She likes to sing and sometimes, when she is very excited, she jumps up and down! Some things are harder for Priscilla to learn. Reading and writing are difficult. Group games are difficult. But she is a very brave girl.

Even though these things are hard, she went to school. Now she goes to a special centre every day to continue to learn and grow.

Sometimes we forget that our brains are different and we can say unkind things that hurt others. Every life is a gift from heaven that can grow into a blessing. Priscilla is a gift from heaven and is a blessing to us.

You too, are a gift from heaven!