

GOOD News

A Kids Newsletter from The Gospel Accessible

Kind Curious Questions

Q: Does everyone with cerebral palsy use a wheelchair?

A: No! Every person with cerebral palsy is different. Some people walk on their own, some use walkers or canes, and some use wheelchairs. Cerebral palsy can affect people in small ways or in ways that make daily tasks much more challenging.

Q: Is Cerebral Palsy contagious?

A: No. You cannot catch it from another person. It is related to how the brain controls movement, and it happens early in life.

Q: Can kids with Cerebral Palsy still learn and have jobs when they grow up?

A: Absolutely! Many kids with cerebral palsy go to school and grow up to have jobs. Some become teachers, doctors, pastors, artists, writers, and many other things. Everyone has different strengths and abilities, and cerebral palsy does not stop someone from learning, growing, and making a difference in the world (whether they have a “job” or not).

- A good friend is _____ (kind / loud / fast)
- Everyone has different _____ (toys / problems / abilities)
- We include others so no one feels _____ (tired / left out / hungry)
- Listening is a way to show _____ (confusion / boredom / respect)
- People may communicate in different ways, like speaking or using a _____ (bike / tablet / spoon)
- Taking time to wait and listen shows _____ (patience / speed / silence)

MEET A

friend



Moses

This is my friend, Moses. Moses has Cerebral Palsy, which means his muscles and body do not move quite the same way most people’s do.

Some people first notice the things Moses can’t do, but when you get to know him, you realize he can do just about everything — just in a different way.

He can’t walk, but with his wheelchair, he’s unstoppable! He doesn’t speak with many words, but he is very smart and can read and spell anything. Using his tablet, Moses can tell you anything he wants to say. He can hear and understand everything people say to him, and he loves when others take time to talk and be his friend.

Moses loves boating, swimming, bowling, trains, and all kinds of adventures. He has even gone horseback riding and downhill skiing!

Moses enjoys trying new things and having fun with family and friends. I bet he has a lot in common with YOU!