

# CHANGING CAREGIVERS

Finding a good day care or other care giver might not be something we want to do but something we have to do. Feeling guilty about it doesn't help nor does being harsh with a child who wants to stay with us. What does help is making TRANSITIONS as smooth and as stress free as possible. That was my first job in inner city day care...helping the children say "goodbye" to mothers and "hello" to the group they would be a part of for the rest of the day.

Taking an extra minute to walk to the corner can make all the difference. On the way to the corner talk about what the child will be doing during the day then on the way back talk about what you will be doing. When you get to the door hug and then find someone to give the child over to...a friend or a staff member. This very short walk can become a time the child counts on so he or she is not RUSHED. **Allowing children to use blessing cards like credit cards to be cashed in on demand will let you know if they like being blessed or not.**

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(Like when you drop a child at Day Care or as you leave the house).

Abba, Father this is \_\_\_\_\_. Bless h\_\_ soul with a deep trust that you love h\_\_ ...always. Bless h\_\_ spirit so it stays bright and happy all thru the day. **BUT MOST OF ALL FATHER BLESS H\_\_ WITH THE COURAGE IT TAKES TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS.** In h\_\_ smiles and in h\_\_ tears bless h\_\_. In h\_\_ fears and in h\_\_ joys bless h\_\_. In h\_\_ silence and in h\_\_ laughter bless h\_\_. When we are together bless h\_\_. But when we are apart bless h\_\_ even more.

I will never leave you nor forsake you. Hebrews 13:5