

Lights, Camera, **SERVICE!**

Being at home didn't stop them from serving.

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(Based on a true story)

Antonella and Mariana loved going to church each week. But now they couldn't go to church in person because of the COVID-19 pandemic. They had Primary class online, but it just wasn't the same.

Antonella and Mariana missed going to Primary in person. A year ago, their family had moved from Chile to Canada. The pandemic made it hard to make new friends. They missed being able to learn about scripture stories with the other kids. And they missed having lessons in Spanish like they did in Chile.

One day, after having church at home, Antonella and Mariana looked online for something to help them study *Come, Follow Me*.

"I wish we could find more videos in Spanish," Antonella said. She thought for a moment. Then she had a great idea. "We could make our own videos for *Come, Follow Me* every week."

"Yeah, and we could do them in Spanish!" said Mariana. "Then we could share them with other kids too."

Mamá and Papá said they could help. The whole family was excited!

First the family read the scriptures for the week's lesson. The girls planned what they would talk about. Then they started to make the videos. Antonella and Mariana took turns recording themselves as they talked about stories in the Book of Mormon. At the end of each video, one of them shared something



they learned from the lesson. Then Mamá and Papá helped them make the video to post online.

At first, they didn't always know what to say. But reading the scriptures and learning more about the lessons helped them.

One Sunday, Antonella and Mariana sat in front of the computer for their Primary class. This week's lesson was about the stripling warriors in the Book of Mormon. "Why did the stripling warriors go to fight?" their teacher asked.

Mariana unmuted their microphone. "I know!" she said. She and Antonella had made a video about that story last week. "Their fathers promised God that they wouldn't fight, so the sons went instead."

Antonella nodded. "And their mothers taught them that if they had faith, God would keep them safe." She smiled at Mariana. It was fun to study the scriptures together.

That night at dinner, Mamá asked, "How was Primary?"

"Good!" Antonella said. "Making the videos has helped me learn a lot more about the scriptures."

"Me too!" said Mariana. "I can answer a lot of the questions in Primary. And we know the scripture stories better."

"I'm glad the videos have helped you," said Papá. "I think they've helped a lot of other people too!"

"That's right," said Mamá. "Sharing what you've learned and how you feel about the gospel is a great way to serve!"

Mariana smiled. "I like that we can serve this way," she said. Then she turned to Antonella. "Let's start planning next week's video!" ●

This story took place in Canada.