

FRIENDSHIP NEWSLETTER

For Thai English Students

A Night to Remember!



Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky!
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!

I learned this little song when I was a small child. I grew up in Nigeria, West Africa where I lived with my parents and brother. We lived there because my father was working for a rope business.

One of my earliest childhood memories is a night when I was six years old. I sat on my bed, opened the curtains and looked out of my window. I have always loved nature. I love to look at mountains, trees and flowers. That night I looked at the stars. The sky was so dark but they looked so bright. I had many questions in my young heart! "How did those stars get there? Who made them?" They were so special. The song came into my mind. "Twinkle, twinkle, little star. How I wonder what you are?"

As I sat there thinking, I looked at my hand. I closed and opened it, moved my fingers and thought about how amazing it was. A hand can do so many things! Someone great must have made the world and all those stars. Someone great must have made me too. I wondered why I was here on earth.

That night I understood that I was on earth because *God* had made *me*, Julia. He had given *me* life and knew *me*! I lay down and went to sleep with these answers in my heart.

The Bible tells us, "Look up into the heavens. Who created all the stars? He (God) brings them out one after another, calling each by its name. And He counts them to see that none are lost." (Isaiah 40:26) Have you looked at the stars lately?

Questions:

1. Where did Julia grow up?
2. How old was she in this story about her early childhood memories?
3. What questions did she ask when she looked up at the stars?
4. What else did she look at that night when she was six years old?
5. What were her thoughts about what she saw?
6. What does the Bible say about God?

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