# MATHILDE Gets Ready for Young Women

## By Jenn Wilks

🗖 athilde was excited about going into Young Women soon, but she wasn't quite sure what to expect. So she talked to her grandma. Her grandma is Sister Bonnie Oscarson, the Young Women general president. She had some great advice to share!

Ask your mom or grandma or one of the women in your ward what they remember about Young Women. You might find out some fun things.

## FUN FACT

Mathilde calls her grandma "Mo," which is short for moder, the Swedish word for mother.

## SISTER OSCARSON'S TIPS FOR GETTING **READY!**

- Develop a relationship with your Heavenly Father by praying and reading the scriptures.
- Find out about the Personal Progress program.
- Read the scriptures, For the Strength of Youth, and the Friend.
- Start learning the Young Women theme. You'll be repeating it every week along with all the young women.

## ... and Now

This necklace will remind you to be a light for others and to stand for truth and righteousness.

You'll also earn ribbons by completing Personal Progress experiences and projects.

Then you'll receive the Young Women Recognition, which includes a medallion.

PERSONAL PROGRESS

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Then . . .

When Sister Oscarson was in Young Women, she earned badges by completing different achievements. She sewed them onto a special cloth band, along with a flower that represents faithfulness.

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WE ARE DAUGHTERS of our Heavenly Father, who loves us, and we love Him. WE WILL "STAND as witnesses of God at all times and in all things, and in all places" (Mosiah 18:9) as we strive to live the Young Women values, which are:

FAITH DIVINE NATURE INDIVIDUAL WORTH KNOWLEDGE CHOICE AND ACCOUNTABILITY GOOD WORKS INTEGRITY AND VIRTUE.

WE BELIEVE as we come to accept and act upon these values, WE WILL BE PREPARED to strengthen home and family, make and keep sacred covenants, receive the ordinances of the temple, and enjoy the blessings of exaltation.

## NEW **BEGINNINGS**

Mathilde went to a special activity called New Beginnings. They had a fun lesson and learned about Personal Progress.

Mathilde is also working on her Faith in God Award and memorizing the Articles of Faith.

## MATHILDE CAN'T WAIT FOR ....

- Activities every week.
- Getting to know the other girls in Young Women.
- Going to Young Women camp.

## **A SPECIAL MEMORY**

Mathilde and lots of her cousins were in the Conference Center on April 6, 2013. But they didn't know why their grandma had invited them all to come to general conference. They were surprised and excited when she was sustained as the president of the Young Women organization!