



Love one another

A Letter About Love
1 John 4:7a, 12

Delbert and Lello waited anxiously by the mailbox. Granny B watched them from the farmhouse porch. She decided to walk down and see what they were doing.

“Good morning, little ones. What are you two up to today?” Granny B asked.

“Haw! Granny B! We are waiting for a new friend,” Delbert replied hurriedly, squinting his eyes to try to see farther down the road.

“Baa. Delbert’s Uncle Donny promised to mail letters. He said a bird named Posty would deliver them. We can’t wait!” Lello explained, jumping up and down.

Granny B smiled and said, “I love getting mail. I bet you do, too. It will be great to hear about your Uncle Donny’s travels to build a new church.”

Delbert and Lello both nodded their heads. Then they stopped and listened carefully. They heard something, first a chirping and then a loud flapping. Everyone looked up at the sky and saw a big bird swooping down. The bird landed on the mailbox with a letter in his beak.

“Posty!” Delbert and Lello shouted.

Posty dropped the letter into Granny B’s hand and said, “You’ve got mail! I deliver without fail!”

“Thank you, Posty. I can’t wait to read it. Granny B, will you open it for me?” Delbert asked excitedly.

Granny B opened the letter and held it out for Delbert. Delbert cleared his throat and began to read his Uncle Donny’s letter out loud.

**Dear Delbert,
Building the new church has been great. I've been meeting lots of new friends. I want to share with you what I've been learning in the Bible.
Love,
Uncle Donny**

"His letter is about another letter. It's a letter from John that your Uncle Donny found in the Bible," Granny B explained.

Posty squawked loudly and said, "A letter in a letter. What could be better?"

"Delbert, could I read this part?" Lello asked shyly.

"Haw! Of course! That's a great idea." Delbert handed the letter to Lello.

She read aloud:

*Dear friends,
Let us love one another, for love comes from God. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.
Love,
John*

"God up above, tells us to love," Posty added.

"That's right, Posty," Granny B agreed. "In the Bible, John wrote a letter teaching people to love one another."

"Haw! I love you and you and you," Delbert said, pointing to each of his friends, "and I love Uncle Donny! Lello, let's go write a letter to him."

"Baa. That sounds great. Posty, would you mind coming with us and waiting while we write it?" Lello asked.

"I can wait. Just don't make me late. Soon, I say goodbye, then it's time to fly!" Posty squawked, as he flew above them.

"Goodbye, little ones. Tell Uncle Donny I said hello!" Granny B called, as she watched them trot away excitedly, talking together about what to write in their letter to Uncle Donny.