



STORY FOR MOTHER'S DAY



*“Mothers hold their children’s hands
for a short while,
but their hearts forever.”*

- Anonymous

A Mother’s Love

A little boy came up to his mother in the kitchen one evening while she was fixing dinner, and he handed her a piece of paper that he had been writing on. After his Mum dried her hands on an apron she read it, and this is what it said:

For cutting the grass: \$5.00

For cleaning up my room this week: \$1.00

For going to the shop for you: 50 cents

Baby-sitting my little brother while you went shopping: 25 cents

Taking out the rubbish: \$1.00

For getting a good report: \$5.00

For cleaning up and raking the garden: \$2.00

Total owed: \$14.75

Well, his mother looked at him standing there and the boy could see the memories flashing through her mind. She picked up the pen, turned over the paper he'd written on, and this is what she wrote:

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For the nine months I carried you while you were growing inside me: No Charge.

For all the nights that I've sat up with you, doctored and prayed for you: No Charge.

For all the trying times and all the tears that you've caused through the years: No Charge.

For all the nights that were filled with dread and for the worries I knew were ahead: No Charge.

For the toys, food, clothes, and even wiping your nose: No Charge.

When you add it up, the cost of my love is: No Charge.

When the boy finished reading what his Mother had written he looked straight up at his mother and said, "Mum, I sure do love you."

And then he took the pen and in great big letters he wrote:

"PAID IN FULL".

REFLECTION:

Our parents give us so much and it is very easy to take them for granted. We sometimes forget that it is more important to give than to take. Remember to show love and respect to your parents. Help them without expecting anything in return.

Write a card, letter or note to your Mum (or anybody else who is special to you.) Make sure you include at least 3 reasons why they are special to you.