Family Sand Ceremony 5

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Parents, today you are making a life-long commitment to share the rest of your lives with each other and honor your children as well. Your family relationship is symbolized through the pouring of these individual containers of sand; one, representing each one of you, all that you are, and all that you will ever be. There are children who will share in this marriage. The gathering of this new family will have a deep influence on them. We realize that in order for the home to be a happy one, it is essential that there be love and understanding between the children and the adults being married. As you each hold your sand the separate containers of sand represent your lives to this moment; individual and unique. As you now combine your sand together, your lives also join together as one family. You may now blend the sand together symbolizing the uniting of the children and groom/bride and groom/bride into one. Just as these grains of sand can never be separated and poured again into the individual containers, so will your marriage and your family be. With this marriage, these two families are joined.

(To the kids:)

Each of you is now a resource into which, as family members, you may come to, throughout your lifetimes, for direction, meaning, and love. Your Parents strive to provide not only the basic needs, but a nurturing and loving environment in which each of you finds the confidence to reach the highest goals of your hearts, minds, and spirits. This is part of their vision of what your family is. Do you each accept the responsibility of being an important part in the building of this family, and to forever contribute your best efforts to maintain the closeness and strength?

   If so, say, “We do.”

I do not claim to be the original author of this script. I am sharing it like this to make it easier for anyone to use.