Don’t Let Auntie Mabel Bless the Table

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Parts (7):
Auntie Mabel 1
Auntie Mabel 2
Narrator 1
Narrator 2
Poppa
Kids
Parents

Narrator 1: Don’t let Auntie Mabel bless the table.

Narrator 2: It is Sunday dinner, and everyone is seated at the table…

Narrator 1: except Auntie Mabel. She’s bringing the mashed potatoes and tomatoes.

Poppa: It’s time to pray.

Narrator 2: We bow our heads to pray.

*bow heads*

Auntie Mabel 1: God is good, we thank him for this food.
Auntie Mabel 2:  Bless the corn and peas and ham and cheese.
Auntie Mabel 1:  Bless the chicken, even it won’t feed us all.
Auntie Mabel 2:  Bless the yams and brussel sprouts.
Auntie Mabel 1:  Bless the carrots and greens.
Kids:  *interrupt* I’m hungry!
Narrator 1:  The kids start falling asleep.
*kids snore*
Auntie Mabel 2:  Lord, bless the children that they grow up strong!
Auntie Mabel 1:  Bless the schools and teachers.
Auntie Mabel 2:  Bless everyone at the table, including me!
Auntie Mabel 1:  Bless the chairs, and the floors, and the…
Poppa:  *clears throat* I’d like to say that blessing our food should not take this long.
Parents:  *annoyed* The food is cold! We have to reheat it before anyone has even eaten!
Auntie Mabel 2:  Sorry! The prayer wasn’t supposed to be so long, I wanted to sing a song.
Everyone:  No! Please don’t sing!
Poppa:  Let’s pray.
Narrator 2: Poppa kept the prayer short and sweet, and they had a great meal.

Everyone: Amen!