

“Hey Kids, Remember...”



There are lots of things you can do to help people around the world hear the Gospel. Ask God what ways are His choice for you. And don't forget to pray that people will believe the Gospel when they hear it.

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Issue 29: What Children Can Do For Missions

Pray First!

Our stories are about children who found ways to get money to help missionaries show Jesus' love to people. That is wonderful, but we cannot forget that giving our money will do little if we do not pray and ask the Lord to open the hearts of the people the missionaries will help with it.

Ask God to use the help you send to show those people God's love.

“Even A Child...”

Can you, a child, help people somewhere else in the world to know Jesus – now, before you are old enough to be a missionary? These stories will show you the answer is “yes!”

Nathan's Story

Twelve year old Nathan was excited by the story the missionary told. It was about how the Kimyal people had received long-awaited Bibles printed in their own language. She shared fascinating stories about her years spent in Papua with the Kimyals and how Jesus gave her the joy of bringing the Good



“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come you who are blessed by my Father; Take your inheritance...For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink...I was sick and you looked after me...’”

Matthew 25:34-36

News to a whole tribe of people. This included translating part of God's Word for them.

As Nathan eagerly listened, the missionary told of another way to bless the Kimyals. The Kimyal children needed to learn how to read and write in their own language so they too could grow up reading and studying the Word of God. Reading books were written, but funds were needed to proceed with the preparation, printing, and delivery of the Kimyal reading books. Nathan thought, "How can I get some money for that? I'm only a young kid! Could I possibly help?" Then he had an idea.

Armed with some *GC Kids* about Bible translation and a heart determined to make a difference, Nathan decided he would drive his ATV door to door in his neighborhood, asking neighbors to contribute.

Over the next two weeks, Nathan knocked on every door in his neighborhood explaining how the Kimyal kids in Papua, Indonesia needed to learn to read. He explained about the funds needed to print the Kimyal reading books. Word about Nathan's request quickly spread through the neighborhood and many generously contributed. God honored Nathan's effort in a big way. At the end of two weeks over \$350.00 was collected.



Nathan excitedly brought the money to church and presented it to the missionary.

Because one boy listened to God's quiet voice in his heart, money was collected which would make a forever difference in the lives of the Kimyals.

God can use each one of us, *young or old*, if we will listen to the Lord as he challenges us to serve Him.



Another Nathan's Story

(A missionary in Cambodia wrote a letter about a big fire that left many people there in need of lots of help. This is a letter one person wrote back.)

"Hi friends,

I wanted to share with you a blessing I received from Nathan this morning.

I have already told the boys about the fire and today told them about the church's upcoming trip to help the victims of the fire. I also showed them the video (about it).

Well, as Nathan and I began his

3. Ephesians 3:16 Because only God can give us and the missionaries the inner

_____ to do the work.

4. Ephesians 6:12 Because we are not strong enough in ourselves to fight against the

"spiritual _____ of _____" that want to stop the Gospel.

5. Matthew 6:11 Because everything we need comes from _____.

6. Hebrews 7:25 Because Jesus also prays that people will come to _____ through _____.



Connect The Dots To Discover What This Child Is Doing



The Great Commission

Matthew 28:19-20 and more



In this issue of *GC Kids*, we talked a lot about projects we can give money to and pray for. Sometimes we don't pay as much attention to the prayer part of missions, but that is a mistake.

God made it so that for the rest of the world to hear the Gospel, we must take the truth about Jesus to them. But will they believe it? God also made it so that we need to pray for that to happen. Telling people the Gospel is the work of missions, but prayer is the power behind that work because God works in hearts when we pray.

Think about these reasons we should pray:

1. Luke 18:1 Because Jesus said we should always _____ and _____.
2. John 14:13 So that _____ may bring _____ to _____.

Bible Study this morning, the first question said, 'Yesterday's lesson ended with a question, 'How will you be a servant this week?' Write how you responded.'

'So, Nathan told me how he had responded and then told me what he would like to do as well.

'He has decided that he wants to take his tithe money and some of his own spending money and send it to help you to bring food to the victims of the fire. I think he would like to be there himself, sharing God's love, food and the gospel if he could. I want to join him. Expect a deposit into your project fund today. Some of that is Nathan's special gift to God and His work.'



Mac and Pop Cans

Mac's family sends money to missionary friends in Guatemala every month. One summer they visited and helped these friends in Guatemala, and Mac remembers how very poor the village people are. The missionaries there have a boy's academy (school) so the village boys can get an education and grow up to be good Christian leaders in their families, villages and culture. They are all so poor they can't even afford to go to McDonalds, so

Mac had an idea. He would collect soda cans to get money to send to the missionaries so they could take the soccer team to McDonald's for a special treat.

Mac also found out about another project somewhere else that would credit money from a certain amount of collected pop-top rings. This was to help children with cancer who couldn't afford treatment.

Mac asked kids at his school to help by bringing him cans and rings every Friday. How many could you collect? ■



**Even a child
is known
by his actions,
by whether his
conduct
is pure and right.**

Proverbs 20:11

IDEAS TO USE



Where can you find a missionary project about which your heart says, "I want to help?" Something you really want to remember to pray for and maybe also give money to, if you can somehow get the money. Here are some ideas:



Find out if your family gives money to one or more missionaries every month or so. If you do, ask your parents to email the missionaries and ask if they have a special project that will show God's love to children they know. A project you can pray for and maybe give money to.

Write the missionaries' names here and begin to pray, asking God how you can help:

Or look up one or more of these ideas:



Help poor children of Catanduanes, **Philippines**, read so they can grow up and make a living. To see how to help, go to

<http://enrichmentcenter.wordpress.com/kindle-of-hope/>

The missionaries whose photo is on the front page live in Phnom Penh, **Cambodia**. They are trying to show the Cambodians God's love by helping them with things we take for granted but they don't have. Dentists, medicine, house renovations, electricity, water, eyeglasses, clothes, rice and more. To find out how to send help for those things, go to www.drebesincambodia.com/?cat=3

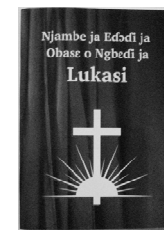


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Parable Quest Project

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