

O sing unto the Lord a new song:
Sing unto the Lord, all the earth.
 Sing unto the Lord, bless his name,
 show forth His salvation from day to day.
 Declare His glory among the heathen,
 his wonders among all people.
 For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised:
 He is to be feared above all gods.
Psalm 96: 1-4

There are many places and many ways God wants us to do what Psalm 96 says.
 Ask God how He wants you to tell people about Him.



What Can I Do?



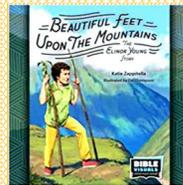
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Charlie loved missionary stories and, as he often did, he fell asleep wondering, "What kind of missionary work could I do some day?"

This time he also started to dream.

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 "Where am I?" he asked under his breath.

Suddenly, in his dream, someone came alongside him and answered, "You are in Cameroon, West Africa. Would you like me to show you around?"



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“Yes, please. Could you show me where there are some missionaries, and what they do?”

“Sure! Come with me.”

Suddenly they were in Yaoundé, the capital of Cameroon. Charlie saw they were at a school and some kids were playing games.

“This is Rain Forest International School,” Charlie’s new friend said. “Older children of missionaries go to school here. Some of them live in a dorm because their homes are in a small villages away from here. So can you guess what kind of workers the school needs?”

Charlie thought for a second. “Well, they need teachers. And someone to keep the yard and grounds tidy and clean. And um...”

“How about house parents in the dorm?” the guide said. “Oh! Yes.” Charlie answered. “Wow, there are a lot of missionary jobs here.”

“Right.”

“So now, Charlie, let’s go somewhere else.”

The guide took Charlie to the jungle territory of the Baka people. “It has been slow, but after many years of work, a strong Baka leader is helping and Baka Communities are

changing,” the guide explained.



“Hmm.. So missionary work can take a long, long time,” Charlie told himself

He almost ran to catch up with the guide, who said,

“We’re going to visit the Kwakum people. They are farmers and work very hard for the few things they eat. Because of that, not many children can go to school and only a few adults can read. Missionaries are teaching classes so more Kwakum people can learn to read and write. From the



ones who already can read and write, the missionaries will choose some Kwakum

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PSALM 96:3

Color the verse with **crayons or color pencils** and think about how you can do this where you are.

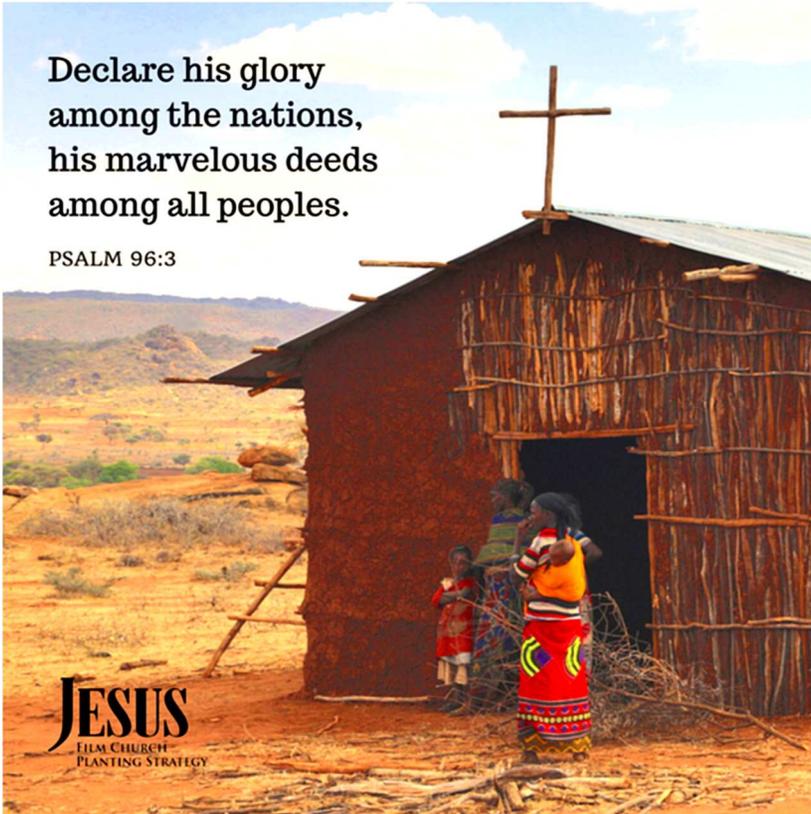
Can you do it _____ in your school
_____ on your street
_____ when you go shopping
_____ other places. Write one here:

The Great Commission

Matthew 28:19-20 and more

Declare his glory
among the nations,
his marvelous deeds
among all peoples.

PSALM 96:3



people to help translate the Bible into their language.

“That will be hard, though, because there are no Kwakum words for some Bible words like ‘grace,’ ‘gift,’ and ‘hope.’ They will have to figure out how to explain those important parts of the Gospel.

“Missionaries also need to train church leaders. Would you like to do any of these things some day, Charlie?”

Charlie scrunched his face. “Um. Maybe. I don’t know yet.”

Suddenly, *Whosh!*

They were in a far northwest area of Cameroon, as far as the road goes.

The guide explained, “55,000 Esimbi people live in this area. The soil of their area grows plants very well. They do all their farming with hand tools, no machines. The peanuts they grow are especially good.”

“Yum. I like peanut butter,” Charlie said.

“Well, other people in Cameroon don’t like the Esimbi very much. They look down on the Esimbi. But God doesn’t.

“In 2021 the Esimbi New Testament was finished. Even before that, many

Esimbi people became followers of Jesus.”

Charlie clapped his hands. “Great! So they don’t need missionaries now, right?”

“No, not right,” the guide said. “Now they need missionaries who can help the Esimbi people who can read so that they and can make books that will teach others to read. A whole lot of the Esimbi people can’t read their New Testament.

“They also need someone who will help them write songs about Jesus in their own Esimbi style instead of songs about evil spirits. Songs are a very important way to learn and to worship.”



“There are other groups of people who need Jesus, too, but I have to leave you now, Charlie.”

With that, Charlie woke up. “*Wow, I have a lot to think about.*” ❖

Did you know...

There is more!

Besides the people groups in the story, there are many more in Cameroon. One is the Pol people. These Pol children have not yet heard the Gospel and they don't know the national language well enough to understand it. By the time these children and you grow up, they will still need missionaries to do the things below.



What kind of missionary work would you like to do? Put a ✓ beside your choice.

- _____ • **Bible translation**
- _____ • **Church planting: Make disciples and teach them to obey all that Christ has commanded**
- _____ • **Linguistics: Create a writing system**
- _____ • **Literacy: Teach the people how to read and write Pol**
- _____ • **Oral Bible Storying: Spread the truth of God's Word even before the writing system is developed**

THINK ABOUT IT

If the United States or Europe were in Africa, this is how they would fit.



United States



Europe

The map below shows Cameroon's size in Africa. It is bigger than some European nations - big enough for many different language groups.



Can you draw a picture of one of these missionary jobs?