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SELF-DENIAL 2021

Children Activities

HIGHLIGHT TERRITORY: ZAMBIA

Sunday school activities help keep children interested as they learn and grow spiritually. Here are ways you can engage with children both at home and in the corps.

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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Introduction

Partners in Mission is an annual campaign where we all come together to raise funds to support the international work of The Salvation Army. The Canada and Bermuda Territory aims to raise \$2.3 million. These funds ensure that the Army continues to be a beacon of hope in countries devastated by poverty, illness and natural disasters. Over the next few weeks, we invite you to take a journey with us as we take you to various ministries, and invite you to meet the people who are positively impacted by the money that is raised each year.

Activity: Give everyone in your family \$100 in play money. From the list below, have everyone write down how they would spend their money. When everyone is finished, have each person share what they decided and why.

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| 1. Fruit Tree: \$30.00 | 6. Agricultural Seeds & Tools: \$35.00 |
| 2. Food for 3 days: \$15.00 | 7. Sports Equipment: \$10.00 |
| 3. Education for 1 child for 1 year: \$40.00 | 8. Vocational Training: \$60.00 |
| 4. Access to Clean Water: \$40.00 | 9. Goat: \$40.00 |
| 5. 2 Hens & 1 Rooster | 10. Chickens: \$25.00 |

Scripture: Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-11



Application: There are many people in the world who do not have enough money to get the things they need. They have to make tough decisions every day as to where the money will be spent. They have to decide what their family will have, and what they will go without. However, the Bible often says that we ought to care for the poor, the fatherless and the widowed. If we have plenty, we are encouraged to give generously. We often don't have to choose whether or not we will go to school or if we will eat. We are able to do both. But for so many people around the world, those are tough choices that they need to make.

Challenge: Think about the things we need versus the things we want. Are there some things that we can give up, or do without, so that we can give generously?

Prayer

Thank you, God, for all you that do, and for all you provide for us. We recognize that there are people in the world who do not have as much as we do, and who may not even have the things they need to survive. Help us to find ways to give what we can, and to share your love. Thank you for loving us, and for helping us. Amen.



Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Clean Water

Have you ever thought about how easy it is for you to get water? If we want a glass of water, we turn on a tap. When we brush our teeth, we turn on a tap. If we want to water our gardens, we can even collect rain water in buckets. Water is so accessible to us and we never have to fear that we'll run out of water, or that the water will be unsafe to drink. But that is not the reality for many people. For many, getting water could take hours of walking to a stream or river, carrying heavy buckets on the way back. The Salvation Army is involved in a number of WASH (Water, Sanitization and Hygiene) projects so that people can have access to clean, safe water.

Activity: Make a water filtration system. You will need a coffee filter and something with a hole that the water can pour through. You can use a small flower pot with a hole in the bottom, cut the top off of a plastic bottle, or something similar. Place the coffee filter in the object you've chosen above the hole. Under the hole, place a clear bowl or cup that the water can run into. In a glass of water, add dirt or potting soil. Slowly pour the dirty water into the coffee filter and watch what comes out on the other end.

Scripture: Read Exodus 17:1-6



Application: Water is essential to our survival. Do you think there are people today who feel like the Israelites, crying out for water? Think about how easy it is for you to have clean water and all the different ways that we use water every day. How do you think your life would be different if you had to walk just 30 minutes every morning to collect enough water for the day? And how would you feel if you didn't know how clean the water was and if it might make you and your family sick? The Salvation Army is working hard to ensure that everyone has access to clean, safe water.

Challenge: In what ways are we wasteful of water? Can you think of some ways that you can be cautious of how much water you use? Can you think of ways to save or even reuse water?

Prayer

We thank you, Lord, for the gift of clean water. Through this gift of water, you quench our thirst, feed our hunger, help us to be clean and healthy, and give us the ability to live, to grow, and to serve and be served by others. Give all people in this world the gift of clean water, and help us to do our part in serving others through this gift. In Christ's name, Amen.





Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Senior Care at Mitanda Home for the Aged

Seniors are often forgotten members of many communities around the world, despite sometimes needing the most care. In some cases, they are deliberately neglected and left to fend for themselves. The Salvation Army works in communities around the world to provide necessary shelter, health care, and emotional and spiritual support for seniors and the elderly.

Activity: Cut a 10-inch piece of string or ribbon. Try to tie the ribbon around your wrist. Is it possible to tie it around your own wrist? Now, ask somebody to help you find a solution. Did it work this time?

Scripture: Read Acts 20:35



Application: Think about the activity you just did. With help from somebody else, you were able to accomplish something that you weren't able to do by yourself. Sometimes, when people are aging, there are some things that they can't do by themselves. In the Bible verse you read, we are told that we must help the weak. In your community and around the world, there are elderly and aging people who, sadly, don't have anybody to help them do these things. The Salvation Army works in communities around the world to support elderly people in many different ways, such as providing health care, spending time talking and listening, and showing them God's love. There are lots of ways that you can help, too.

Challenge: Think of an elderly or aging person in your church or community. Is there something nice that you can do for them, such as making a card or giving them a phone call?



Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the ways that you love all people, regardless of age. We pray for those who are aging, especially those who may be lonely or may not have anybody to help them. We pray that you would provide love and support for those who need it.

In Your name we pray, Amen.



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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Corps Life

The Salvation Army has over 300 churches across Canada and Bermuda, with thousands of members, including officers, junior soldiers, senior soldiers, and adherents. But did you know that The Salvation Army is present in over 130 countries all around the world? The Partners in Mission campaign is a global initiative by The Salvation Army to support its mission in every territory and region.

Activity: Find a map of the world (or print one from the internet) that has outlines of countries. Using small crumpled up pieces of paper, take turns throwing the pieces at the map. When it lands on a country, whoever threw the paper must guess if The Salvation Army is present in that country (answers can be found online at SalvationArmy.org). If guessed correctly, you may receive a piece of candy or small prize.

Scripture: Read Mark 16:15-20

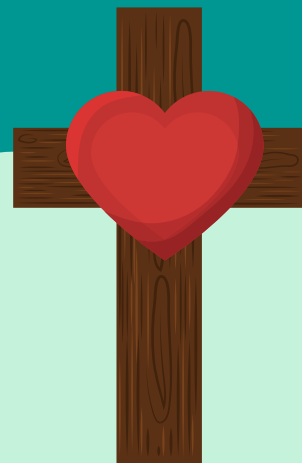


Application: In the passage of Scripture you just read, Jesus told his disciples to go into the world and tell others about Him, so that they may be saved, too. The Salvation Army is a worldwide church, because Salvationists went all over the world and told others about Jesus. There are many members of The Salvation Army in many countries, including junior soldiers! Even though we may live in different countries, we have lots of similarities, too. We all have meetings on Sunday mornings, and we all participate in Partners in Mission. And as members of God's church, we are all called to encourage, to help, and to serve each other in many ways.

Challenge: What kinds of things do we do when we are part of a church? What does it mean to be part of a church? How can we help other members of the church?

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for loving us as part of your church! Please be with all the members of your church around the whole world. Help us to remember that we are called to help and serve others, and show us how to do it. In your name we pray, Amen.





Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Farming

Many people in other parts of the world farm and grow crops to support their families. The crops they harvest provide daily food for themselves, and any extra food is sold in order to provide an income to pay for things such as school fees and supplies. Farming is hard work because most of it is done by hand. They don't have access to big machines and lots of tools. In many countries, the weather can also have a big impact on farming, as they may face drought where they see no rain at all, or they may see a rainy season where it can rain for months at a time. Farming can be very difficult in those kinds of conditions.

Activity: Get a can of corn and an ear of corn of the cob. Time yourself to see how long it will take to shuck the corn into a bowl, ensuring that every piece of corn has been removed. When finished, open the can of corn and also put into a bowl. Notice how long it took to shuck the corn compared to simply opening a can pouring it into a bowl.

Scripture: Read Ruth 2:1-18



Application: Think about how hard it is to farm. How much extra time did it take for you to shuck all your corn versus simply opening a can? Did you have any idea how much effort it took to take one piece of corn off the stalk until it made it onto your plate? In many parts of the world, people go out to the field every day to get their food. This means that they have to peel, shuck, or shell, their food, which you can tell is hard work and takes a lot of time! For a large part of the world, just getting food from the fields to cook or eat, takes a lot of time and effort. Just as Boaz helped Ruth, The Salvation Army helps many farmers around the world by providing them with tools and training, which helps to make their work easier and more productive.

Challenge: If Ruth lived in your neighbourhood, who would help her today? Think of ways that you can help your neighbours and others you know who may be hungry or struggle to have enough food to eat.

Prayer

We thank you, Lord, for the many gifts you have given us. We thank you for the food that we have on our tables each and every day. We thank you for those who work so hard to prepare the food for us. We pray to always seek and serve Christ in others by sharing and being aware of others who may have less than us. Let us be the hands and feet of Christ in serving the hungry, the thirsty, the lonely and the lost. In Christ's name, Amen.



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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory College of Biomedical Sciences

In many countries around the world, health care services and education do not get the necessary amount of attention and funding that is needed to serve the community. The Salvation Army is providing a quality education for the youth who dream of becoming doctors and nurses. By receiving a good education, they'll be able to achieve their dreams and serve their communities.

Activity: On a large piece of paper, have somebody help you trace an outline of your body, all the way around. With some scissors, cut out the outline. On one side, draw yourself onto your figure—face, hair, some clothes and shoes. Flip your creation to the other side. Draw as many organs as you can think of. Do you know where each one goes? Can you name what they do? Which of your organs do you think is most important?

Scripture: Read 1 Peter 4:10



Application: Do you know what you want to be when you grow up? (It's okay if you don't). In the video, we saw students at the College of Biomedical Sciences, who dream of becoming doctors and working in the medical field. God gives us all different dreams, but they are all very important. Think about your body for a minute. You can hear with your ears, talk and eat with your mouth, breathe with your lungs, and think with your brain. Every part has a different purpose, but they are all very important and useful. The same is true with the gifts, talents, and dreams that God gives us. Whether you want to be a doctor, a lawyer, a farmer, a repairman, a bus driver, or a pastor—they all have a purpose in God's Kingdom. Sometimes, it's not always clear what our purpose is. But God knows how everything fits together. The Salvation Army is working hard to help people fulfill their dreams so that they can use the gifts God gave them.

Challenge: What are some things you are really good at? How can you use that skill to help somebody?

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for making each one of us unique. Thank you for blessing us with special gifts. Please help us to be able to use the gifts you have given us in order to serve others, so that we can also serve you. In your name we pray, Amen.





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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory HIV/AIDS

HIV/AIDS is a disease that has affected many vulnerable populations around the world, but there are many in these communities who don't know much about it or how it can spread. In fact, throughout the years, a lot of false assumptions have been made about the disease and people who have it. The Salvation Army is working around the world to educate vulnerable populations about HIV/AIDS and how they can protect themselves and others from it.

Activity: With your family, take turns telling them 3 things about yourself: 2 things that are TRUE, and one thing that is FALSE. The others will have to guess which thing is FALSE. Whoever guesses correctly receives a candy or small prize. If they are not able to guess, make sure you tell them the truth!

Scripture: Read John 8:31-32.

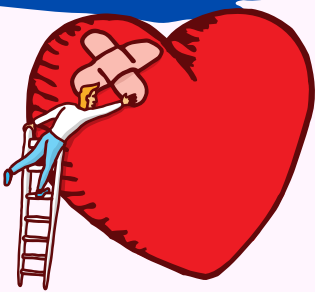


Application: Has anybody ever believed or assumed something about you that wasn't true? How did it make you feel? Sometimes, we may see something on TV or hear somebody say something that isn't true. The Bible tells us that we must seek out the truth in all things. That means we need to be able to tell the difference between what is true and what isn't true. That may be difficult sometimes. But when we are in doubt, we can always ask. There is always a way to find the truth. As Christians, we can rest assured in the knowledge that God's word, the Bible, is always the truth. When we hear or see something that we know is false, we should speak up about it so that others can know the truth, too. The Salvation Army is working around the world to educate people about HIV/AIDS so that they can know the truth and prevent themselves from getting sick.

Challenge: Have you ever told a lie, or heard somebody else telling one? What are some ways that you can seek out the truth?

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for giving us your word. We pray for those who are sick, that you would bring them healing. We also pray that you would help us to seek out the truth in all things, and give us courage to stand up for it in times of doubt. In your name we pray, Amen.





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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Chikankata Secondary School

In some developing countries around the world, many children, especially girls, are not given a chance to attend school. The Salvation Army is working all over the world to ensure students are given the chance to study and complete their education, so that they can go on to obtain meaningful employment.

Activity: On a single piece of paper, draw six shapes—any shape that you like. Make sure you draw them small enough to fit on to one sheet of paper. Now, try to cut out the shapes that you drew—without using scissors. Did it work?

Scripture: Read 1 John 3:17-18



Application: Do you go shopping for school supplies every year? What kinds of supplies do you get? Think about the activity you just did, and how hard it was to cut out your shapes without using scissors. Imagine how hard it would be to do your school activities without basic supplies. How hard would it be to measure without a ruler? How hard would it be to write without a pencil or pen? Around the world, there are many children in school who do not have access to basic supplies that help them learn. In the Bible, God tells us that when we have things and see people who are in need of those things, we should help them. The Salvation Army is working hard to provide students with the supplies and equipment they need to learn in school.

Challenge: Can you think of somebody you know who might be in need of something? What are some ways you can help them?

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for blessing us with an abundance of material things. We pray for those around the world who are in need; we pray that you would provide for them. Remind us to help those who are in need, as you have commanded us. In your name we pray, Amen.





Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory

Women's Empowerment

In many societies around the world, including ours, there are some people who may think that girls and women aren't as important as men. Because of this, in many countries, girls are not able to go to school, own land, have a bank account, vote in elections, or run a business. The Salvation Army is involved in many programs and activities that are meant to empower women and girls to do important and amazing things, and to teach others about gender equality.

Activity: Use a hole punch to make two holes in two small paper or plastic cups, one on either side of each cup. Cut two pieces of string that are equal in length, about one foot long. Tie the strings through the holes in the cups, one string for each cup. Find a clothes hanger, with a notch on both sides of each hanger, and hang the cups on either side (if you don't have notched hangers, you can tie the buckets on with additional string). Hang your creation on a doorknob or bar in your house. With your family, take turns placing small toys or objects into the cups. Try to balance the hanger so that the two cups sit at the same height.

Scripture: Read Genesis 1:26-27



Application: Imagine that all your classmates are given candy, but you aren't allowed to have any. You have done nothing wrong, but the teacher decides that you don't deserve a candy, simply because of the way you were born. Would you feel that is unfair? The Bible tells us that all people—all races, all genders, all ages, and all backgrounds—were created by God, in His own image. Because of this, we are all equal in God's eyes—and so all people should be equal in our eyes, too. Equality means that all people deserve to have the same opportunities and chances. It also means that all people deserve to be loved by us, just as all people are loved by God. The Salvation Army is working all over the world to ensure that girls and women are given opportunities to help them succeed.

Challenge: Can you think of some people who aren't treated the same as everyone else? What are some ways you can help those who aren't being treated equally?



Prayer

Dear God, thank you for creating us in your image. Thank you for loving all your children equally. Help us to remember to love all people you have created, the way you love us. Give us the courage to stand up for those in our world who are not treated fairly. In your name we pray, Amen.



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Partners in Mission 2021: Zambia Territory Partnerships

Partners In Mission is all about working together. We work with The Salvation Army in other countries, but they also work with people in their own countries. In Zambia, The Salvation Army built a new headquarters and created additional space to rent to other groups. This allows the territory to earn extra income, which helps support their important programs.

Activity: Have a challenge with your other family members to see who can hold their arms up the longest. While holding a broom stick, mop, etc, each person holds their hands high above their heads. The time ends when they begin to lower their arms. After everyone has had a turn, do the activity again with a partner, allowing the partner to help hold the hands up. Compare how much longer you can keep your arms up with the help of someone else compared to doing it alone.

Scripture: Read Exodus 17:8-13



Application: Aaron and Hur helped Moses hold his staff high in the air when Moses didn't have the strength to do it by himself. God has created us so that we can work together and help each other. Giving to Partners in Mission is one way that we are able to help other people financially. Our money helps people who have much less than us. But you can also help and partner with The Salvation Army around the world through prayer. You may not know all of the places The Salvation Army works in, and you may not know the people that they help, but God does. We become stronger when we partner together.

Challenge: Think of some creative ways that you can become a Partner in Mission.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the Bible and how we can learn so much from it. Help me to remember to help others - both those who are close and those who live far away. God, please be with the leaders of The Salvation Army in Zambia. Help them as they lead the territory and find new and creative ways to partner with others. Thank you for the many ways that you have blessed me and my family. Amen.

