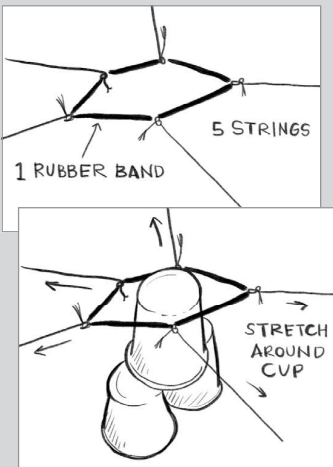


WORK TOGETHER PREP

- Before the session, set several disposable cups, upside down and unstacked, on a small table in the center of the room.
- Cut 5 strands of yarn, about 18 inches long. Tie one end of each strand of yarn to a single rubber band, where the knots are spread out evenly along the rubber band's perimeter. (see below)



PLAY “JESUS IS GOD’S PLAN FOR FORGIVENESS” DAY 5 OR TELL THE MISSIONS STORY

APPLY MISSIONS VIDEO

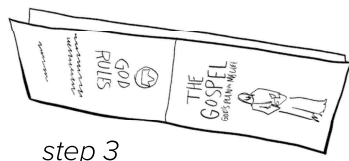
- Snap and shake three glow sticks. Choose three children and give each one a glow stick.
- Tell the three kids to hold their glow sticks together in such a way that they form the letters Y and N.
- Refer to the questions in the “Day 5 Review Questions” (insert item 7b). Ask questions about today’s video.
- Instruct players to form the letter N with their glow sticks if the answer to a question is no. Tell them that if the answer is yes, they should work together to arrange the glow sticks to form the letter Y.
- Talk about each question as it is answered.
- Say: “Towns in Wyoming are so far away from each other, and Tyler can’t be everywhere at the same time. The leadership at Outfitter Church came up with a plan. Tyler would teach men in their church how to start new churches and work to make that happen.”

WORK TOGETHER

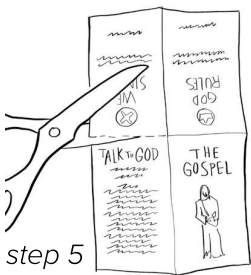
- Turn the overhead lights on.
- Say: “With so many towns where there are no churches at all, Tyler Martin and a team of men from his church figured out a way to work together to start churches in several new, hard-to-reach places.”
- Tell kids that several of them will work together while they are spread apart to stack some cups.
- Choose five kids. Guide them to stand around the table. Instruct kids to hold the ends of the yarn and work together to stretch the rubber band around each cup’s bottom, pick it up, and stack the cups together.
- Remark that it takes a lot of good communication and planning to stack the cups.
- Say: “Tyler Martin and Outfitter Church planned to train men like Trent to get them ready to start churches in towns where there aren’t any.”

MISSION PROJECT

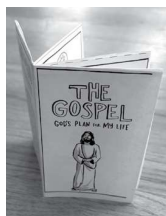
- Prior to the session, assemble a “The Gospel Mini Book” (insert item 10) for each child using the following instructions:



step 3



step 5



step 7

1. Trim off instructional copy
2. Fold the paper in half longways with text on the outside, then open
3. Fold in half shortways, then fold in half again the same way
4. Unfold completely, then fold shortways again
5. Cut along the dashed lines on the center fold
6. Unfold, then fold longways again, push ends toward the center
7. Fold into a booklet

- Keep the lights turned on while kids work on the mission project.
- Thank kids for such a great response to the donations of new items to be given to kids.
- Recap: “Today, let’s make something to help kids learn what the Steelmans help people in Kenya discover. A person’s greatest need is Jesus. Everyone needs Jesus.”
- Tell boys and girls that they will be decorating booklets that explain the gospel.
- Distribute an assembled “The Gospel Mini Book” (insert item 10) and colored pencils to each child.
- Lead children to look through the books as you briefly explain the points of the gospel. Remind kids that if anyone has any questions about the gospel, they should talk to a pastor, a VBS leader, or their parents about it.
- Say: “These gospel booklets, along with the other gifts you’ve made or donated this week, will be given to kids to help them know that they are not forgotten. We love them—and Jesus does too.”
- Challenge children to pray for the kids who will receive these items after VBS is over.

PRAY

Thank God for sending Jesus to be the Light of the world. Ask God to help the missionaries in Kenya think of ways to lead the people to realize that their greatest problem is sin and that the only solution is Jesus. Thank God for the faithful church planters in Wyoming. Ask Him to give them the energy to keep starting churches where there aren’t any. Ask God to use the mission project to help kids begin a relationship with Jesus. Thank God for VBS and for sending Jesus to be the Light of the world.