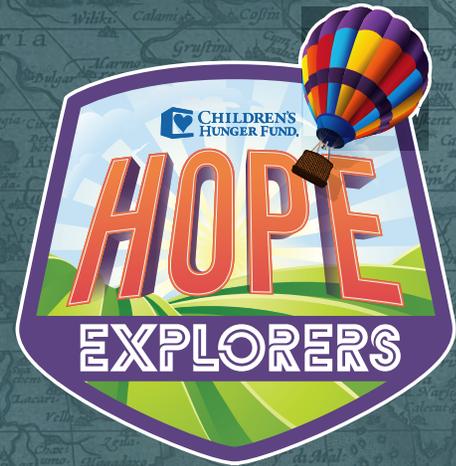


What would you miss most if you couldn't go to school?

What are some ways you can show love to children who are living in poverty?

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EXPLORATION JOURNAL



Ecuador



Name:

Julio

Country:

Ecuador

Problems:

Generational Poverty



About:

Julio's family has very little to eat. They live in a very poor part of the city. Houses there don't have faucets, toilets, heaters, or lights. Most people stop going to school at a young age. They begin working instead, to help earn money for the family. It was this way for Julio's parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents, too. This is called generational poverty.

Prayer Requests:

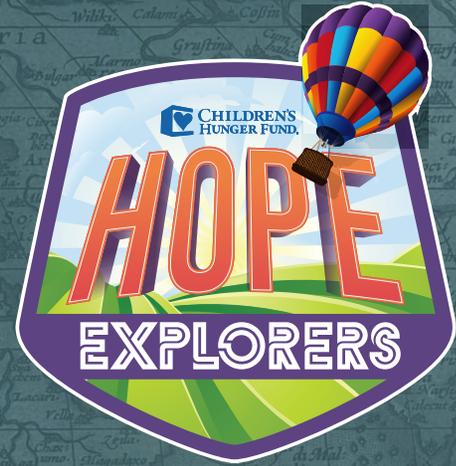
Pray for children who have to work to help their families instead of going to school.

Pray that the people in local churches would share about God's love with families living in poverty in Ecuador.

What is a natural disaster? What kinds of help do people need after a natural disaster?

What would you want Bonita to remember about God when she feels sad and misses her old home?

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Philippines



Name: **Bonita**

Country: **Philippines**

Problems: **Disaster**



The Philippines is a set of islands in southeast

About: Asia. A tropical storm hit the island where Bonita's family lives, and their home was destroyed. For more than a year, they lived in a hut made of wood and corrugated metal. Whenever it rained, the roof leaked and Bonita's bed would get wet. Her father couldn't find work. It took a long time, but now they've built a 2-room house with a roof that doesn't leak. Bonita feels sad when she thinks about the way things used to be and all her family has lost.

Prayer Requests:

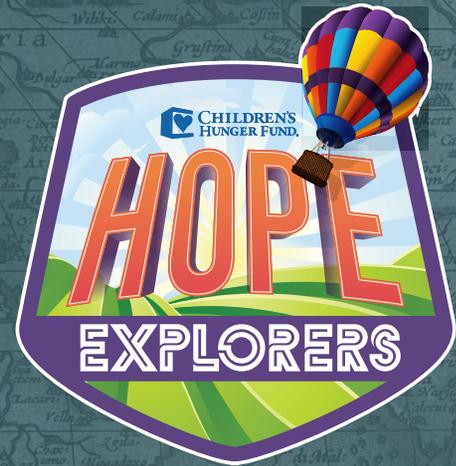
Pray for kids like Bonita who have lost their homes and all their belongings in natural disasters.

Pray that local churches would have the resources to help people who are living in poverty because of a natural disaster.

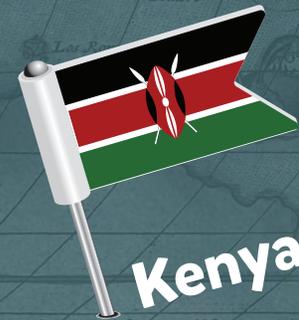
In what ways does God care for our needs?

What does it mean to sacrifice something to help others?

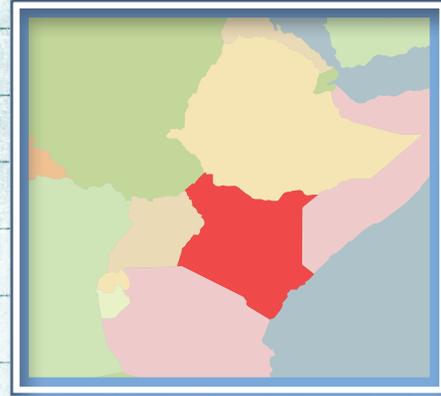
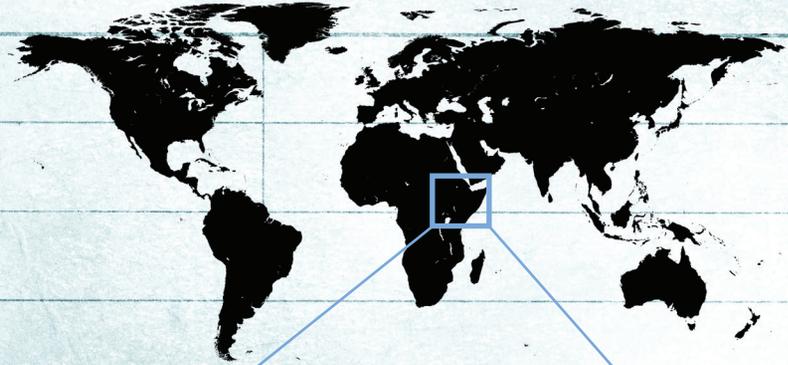
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Kenya



Name: **Tambo**

Country: **Kenya**

Problems: **Extreme Poverty**



About: In Kenya, almost half the people live in extreme poverty. In Tambo's village, people have to walk a long way to get water, then they carry it back home. Tambo lives in a small hut with his mother and sister. His aunt and 4 cousins live there, too. There's very little food to eat. Tambo's sister has been sick a long time. His father left the village to find work in the city, but he hasn't come back yet.

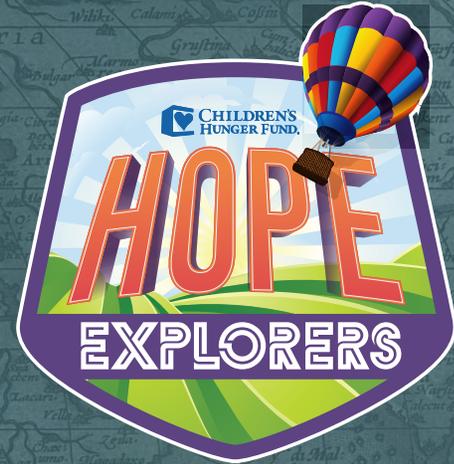
Prayer Requests: Pray for children who are sick because they don't have enough healthy food and clean water.

Pray that families in extreme poverty would learn about God's love and how he cares about all their needs.

How does Jesus want us to treat all people?

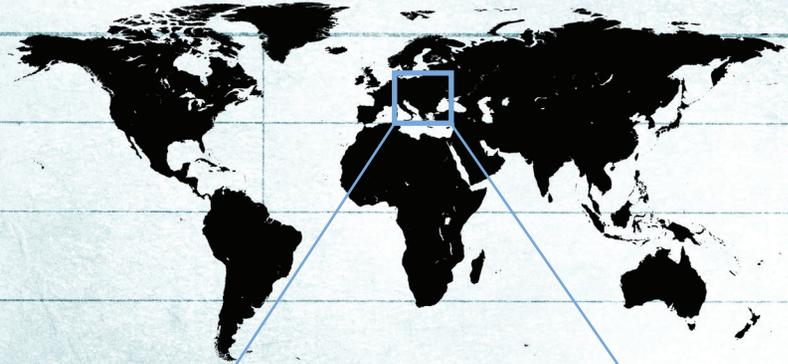
What can you do if you see that someone isn't being treated with kindness?

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Name:

Roxanna

Country:

Romania

Problems:

Injustice



About:

In Roxanna's village, all the families are known as "gypsies" because of their family heritage. In the country of Romania, gypsies are not treated the same as everyone else. This is called injustice. Roxanna and her sisters can't go to school with the other kids because they're gypsies. It's hard for Roxanna's father to get a job because he's a gypsy. This makes it very hard for him to provide for his wife and 6 daughters.

Prayer Requests:

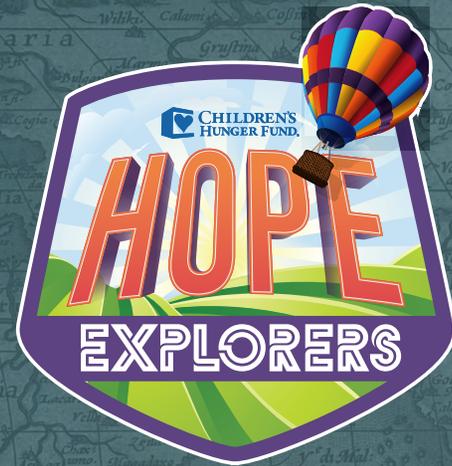
Pray that people who are treated unfairly would know that God loves them and they are precious to him.

Pray for adults like Roxanna's father, who need jobs so they can provide for their family.

If you could talk with Jackson, what would you tell him about Jesus?

What does invisible mean? What does invisible poor mean?

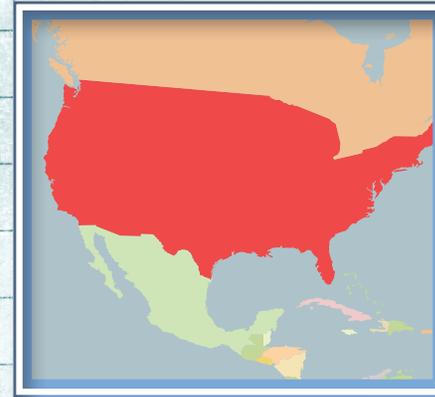
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United States



Name:

Jackson

Country:

United States

Problems:

Invisible Poor



About:

Jackson lives in Los Angeles, a city in the United States. His mom and dad both lost their jobs. His older brother quit school and moved away, hoping that would make life easier for his family. Jackson misses his brother. Whenever Jackson's parents can't pay for their electricity, the lights in the apartment won't come on at night. Jackson doesn't want to talk about these things with his friends. They don't know what a hard time his family is having.

Prayer Requests:

Pray for kids in your neighborhood, school, or church who may be living in poverty.

Pray that local church volunteers would share the good news of Jesus with them.