

## BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES: Gen.12:1-3, Ps. 67:7

MEMORY VERSE: Choose one of the above reference.

LESSON PROPS: M & M name tags & pins

Large bag of M & M's

LESSON: Define Blessing - Something good we receive from God. Name some blessings.

ILLUSTRATION: Thinking about good things reminds me of this neat little box I have. What do you think is in this box? Yes, it is FULL of M & M's. My FAVORITE candy! With this box, I can have ALL the M & M's I want. (open and eat some) I keep it handy, so I can have M & M's whenever I want to. ( eat more candy)

I even have enough to share with a friend. (give some to the child sitting closest to you, eat more yourself & give more to same child) I have enough for him to share with his friend. (give more, instructing him to share with the child sitting next to him.)

I know lots of kids in the room don't have any M & M's, but I can't REACH THEM, besides, they might not REALLY WANT ANY, and I do need to save some so I'll have some left for tomorrow.

I could share with all those who have on a \_\_\_\_\_ (whatever color name tag you are wearing) name tag. (share with those children)

(Next give half the group a handful of M & M's and ask them to name a BLESSING that they have received from God.)

Has everyone received these same blessings from God?

Does this mean God doesn't love everyone?

What does God want us to do with our blessings?

(Have those who received the M & M's to share with someone who did not receive any.)

NOTE: Provide another snack or sticker for child who cannot have candy.

CONCLUSION: BLESSINGS are not just for us, those we know, we can reach, or who are like us (same race, speak same language, etc.)

WE ARE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING!! HOW DO WE KNOW THIS IS TRUE ??

GOD'S WORD TEACHES US - Gen. 12:1-3

Repeat MEMORY VERSE until children have learned it.

## PRAYING FOR UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS

MUSLIMS live in north Africa and throughout Asia. There are 4000 Unreached People Groups remaining among the MUSLIMS.

TRIBAL peoples live in many of the southeast Asian islands and elsewhere all over the world. There are almost 3000 Unreached TRIBAL People Groups remaining.

Most HINDUS live in India. There are about 2000 Unreached HINDU People Groups remaining.

There are about 1000 Unreached CHINESE People Groups. And where do most CHINESE live? In China, of course!

BUDDHISTS live in southeast Asia, part of central China, Mongolia, Korea, and Japan. Experts figure there are about 1000 Unreached BUDDHISTS People Groups remaining.

\* Most of these people groups are very large; with many, many people in each one.

- A good way to remember the names of these Unreached People Groups is to remember the phrase, "MOST THAT HEAVEN CAN BOAST."

M (ost) MUSLIMS

T (hat) TRIBALS

H (eaven ) HINDUS

C (an) CHINESE

B (oast) BUDDHIST

\*\* THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE NEVER HEARD THE GOSPEL... THAT JESUS LOVES THEM AND DIED TO PAY THEIR SIN DEBT... IS OVER 2 BILLION!!

## MUSLIMS FACT SHEET

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1BILLION MUSLIM

**LOCATION:** Most Muslims live in North Africa & Asia

**LANGUAGE:** Most speak ARABIC, a language with 28 letters in it's alphabet. They read from RIGHT to LEFT

**CULTURE:** In rural areas some live in tents & ride camels. Many, especially in cities dress like we do, but some wear traditional dress. Men wear a long robe and scarf called a KOFFIYEH. Women wear long dresses called JELLABA & a veil. They believe women should not be seen by men outside of family. Women are not considered worth as much as men & can be beaten for not obeying their husbands. A man may have as many as 4 wives.

They have very strict moral laws. THE PENALTY FOR STEALING IS TO HAVE THE HAND CUT OFF!

A favorite food is COUSCOUS. It is made of flour & water, tastes like noodles, but looks like rice. It is eaten with vegetables and meat.

**RELIGION:** ISLAM - They believe in one god, called ALLAH, their holy book is the KORAN, Friday is their holy day, and their place of worship is called a MOSQUE. They believe in salvation by works and think you can go to Heaven by doing these 5 things: Repeating each day, "There is no God but ALLAH, and Mohammed is his prophet.

Pray 5 times a day, always facing their holy city, MECCA, Saudi Arabia.

Give money to help the poor.

FAST (do not eat) from dawn to sunset for 1 month each year.

Once during a lifetime make a trip to MECCA.

### PRAYER

#### NEEDS:

Missionaries usually are not allowed into Muslim countries. It is against the law for Muslims to believe in Jesus Christ. We must pray and go to Muslims with the truth. Help them see that we Christians are not their enemy, that we love them, Jesus died for them, and they can receive Jesus as their Saviour & LORD.

## TRIBALS FACT SHEET

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**LOCATIONS:** Africa, Southeast Asia, Central & South America, the islands of the world, some even in the U. S. (American Indians, Eskimos, etc.)

**LANGUAGES:** Tribal peoples speak many different languages.

In Kenya, Africa they speak **SWAHILI**

**KARIBU** (Kah - ree - boo) means Welcome.

**KWAHERI** (Kwa - here - hi) means Good-bye.

In Papua New Guinea they speak **PIDGIN ENGLISH**

“Oh How I Love Jesus”

“Mi laikim yu, Mi laikim yu, Jesus

Yu bikpela bilong mi.”

(PRONOUNCE PHONETICALLY)

**CULTURES:** Many Tribal peoples live in tents or mud huts, many are **NOMADS** (move often), many rarely see outsiders, are poor & have very few belongings.

They eat different foods, depending on where they live. In PNG they eat bats & grub worms; other areas they eat monkey, ants, whale blubber, & raw fish (most things we would not want to eat.)

**RELIGIONS:** Most are **ANIMISTS**, They worship things in nature, such as rocks, trees, and animals. They believe everything has a spirit. They practice **WITCHCRAFT & SORCERY** (casting spells). They fear their gods & believe they must **SACRIFICE** to please the gods or they will hurt or kill them. They live in constant **FEAR**.

### PRAYER

**NEEDS:** Pray & go tell Tribal peoples of Jesus Christ, the **PRINCE OF PEACE & SAVIOUR** who paid their sin debt.

## HINDU FACT SHEET

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LOCATION: India

LANGUAGES: Hindi & English are main languages, but over 1,000 in all.

Some interesting Indian sayings:

“RATS ARE DANCING IN MY STOMACH” - I'm very hungry.

“HE SAT ON MY HEAD.” - He urged me to do something

“LET'S EAT AIR.” - Let's go for a walk.

CULTURE: It is very hot in India. They have deserts, jungles, rain forests, and the world's highest mountains.

India is a crowded country, only China has more people. The people are divided into social classes called CASTES. In the villages, they live in mud huts & have no electricity or running water. In cities, the people are very crowded. The poor live in SLUMS and in the STREETS.

They have large families. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and children live in the same house. Some wear western style clothes, but many women still wear a SARI, a long silk dress. Some men wear a TURBAN on their head.

They do not eat beef (they believe the cow is sacred). Most are VEGETARIANS. They eat rice & very hot, spicy foods.

RELIGION: Hindus believe in one Supreme Spirit that is everywhere & in everything. They worship many gods (350 MILLION GODS) and have many holy writings. Most families have a family SHRINE IN THEIR HOME to display their gods. They believe the soul never dies, but returns in another life. If a person was good, to a higher position, but if bad to a lower form (maybe a rat or a roach). Therefore they cannot kill anything - it might be someone you knew in another life.

PRAYER  
NEEDS:

Prayer & missionaries to go preach the true gospel to Hindu peoples.

## CHINESE FACT SHEET

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**LOCATION:** China, the 3rd largest country in the world. Some areas of China are very hot, and others are extremely cold. 1/5 of all the people in the world live in China. (1 BILLION CHINESE)

**LANGUAGE:** Mandarin Chinese is the official language, but over 600 different languages are spoken. Chinese has NO ALPHABET. They must memorize each individual symbol. (YOU NEED TO KNOW OVER 5,00 SYMBOLS TO READ THE DAILY NEWSPAPER!)

**CULTURE:** Chinese children go to school 6 days a week & study very hard. China is a very crowded land & they cannot afford cars, so most people ride bicycles. Family is very IMPORTANT, but government allows them to have ONLY ONE CHILD PER FAMILY. Chinese are very polite people. They always use BOTH HANDS when giving or receiving anything from someone else. RED is an important color to Chinese people - they believe it shows JOY. They eat rice, vegetables, & fish using CHOP STICKS. Tea is a favorite drink.

**RELIGION:** COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT does not allow freedom of religion in China. They want the people to be ATHEISTS (someone who does not believe in God). Most Chinese practice ANCESTOR WORSHIP (pray to family members from other generations who are now dead). Many missionaries (HUDSON TAYLOR & others) went to China in the 1800's. Many Chinese were saved. All missionaries had to leave the country when Communists took control. Christians are not allowed to hold public worship services, but many CHINESE CHRISTIANS meet secretly in HOUSE CHURCHES. These Christians have very STRONG FAITH.

**PRAYER NEEDS:** Pray for PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS (people who are beaten, put in prison or killed because they believe in Jesus Christ). Pray for MILLIONS who still have not ever heard the gospel. Pray missionaries will again be allowed to go to China.

## BUDDHIST FACT SHEET

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**LOCATION:** Southeast Asia (Laos, Thailand, Vietnam...)

**LANGUAGE:** Varies with each different country.

**CULTURE:** They eat lots of rice, meat, hot spicy foods, tropical fruits like bananas, coconuts, & pineapples.  
They grow rubber trees & work in rice fields (they use water buffalo).  
People speak softly and think it is VERY RUDE to speak loud or be angry in public.  
Family is very important. Grandparents, parents & children usually live together.  
They enjoy many different special days called FESTIVALS. One is called FLOATING CUP FESTIVAL. They float little boats made of banana leaves with a candle inside down the river. They believe if the candle stays lit until it is out of sight their wish will come true. (OPPOSITE OF OUR CUSTOM OF BLOWING OUT CANDLES ON A BIRTHDAY CAKE.)

**RELIGION:** BUDDHISTS believe you go to Heaven by praying to BUDDHA an IDOL and THINKING ONLY GOOD THOUGHTS.  
All the men study Buddhism, many families choose one son to be a MONK (someone who lives in a MONASTERY, a special place away from other people, and studies Buddhist scripture and prays). These Buddhist Monks shave their heads & wear long orange robes. They are allowed only 8 things: 3 articles of clothing, a knife, a needle, a mat to sleep on, a water strainer & a begging bowl. (They BEG or ask other people for their food.)

**PRAYER NEEDS:** Pray missionaries will go & tell Buddhists that Jesus Christ died to be their Saviour.  
Pray Buddhists will believe the truth when they hear.

# PRAAYER JOURNAL







## Children's Missions Mobilization Ideas - PRAYER

- 8-15 min. Children's version of The **10/40 Window video**. Excellent for giving an overview of the 10/40 window and of how, what, why, when and where kids can pray for the unreached children of the world.  
**Follow up discussion-**  
Ask the kids what all kids around the world have in common. (Parents, siblings, need for food, clothing, shelter, playing with friends, school, sports, games, etc.) Then point out that all kids also have a need for God- and lots of kids (in the 10/40 window especially) haven't had a chance to learn about Him yet and know that He loves them. Explain that we are going to pray for the world and that we can pray for these children. Ask what else we can pray for?- missionaries, Bibles to be translated, for the Lord to open their hearts. For their leaders to come to know Jesus, etc., etc...
- 5-10 min. **Globe ball prayer.**  
There are many ways to do this. Have kids sit on floor in age appropriate groups, or one group. Best with less than 10 in a group. Have a beach ball globe for each group. Either by the leader doing red light/ green light, turning music on & off or some other way, have the ball passed (not thrown) around the circle until you stop it.  
**What to pray-**  
You can have the child who has the ball pick a country to pray for somewhere on the globe. You could suggest a prayer request if they don't jump right in and start praying. Ask them to pray aloud so we can all pray with them and agree on the request. (This isn't a must if a child is really stressed about praying out loud.) They don't have to keep their eyes closed if they don't want to.  
**OR** Have one child be in the middle each time- just pick one to start. Have the child who has the ball when it is stopped (as described above) pick a letter of the alphabet. Have that child look up that letter in From Arapesh to Zuni. Then either you or the child can read about that group and you can pray for it briefly. Then have the child with the ball go in the middle instead, and start over.
- 10-15 min. Use **You Can Change the World** to share for a longer time about one group. Kids can get bored with this one, so have it read before hand if you will be talking with little kids. Summarize parts of it and read other parts with them. You could write out the prayer requests from the people group on that page, and pass them out to individual kids so they can read them during the prayer time. These could be on 3 x 5 cards if you want to reuse them, or copied and cut up so they can keep them and take them home. (Then you would have an original to use the next time.)  
**OR** Pass out pictures from the **You Can Change the World** Activity Book for the kids to color while you read about the people group. 23 of the pages are represented in the 2 different activity books (including the world map page). You would have to have these pages copied & ready ahead of time.
- 1-2 hours or  
10 min games **Kids Pray - Julie & Tim Brown with Ameritribes.**  
This material is designed to be used with 8 or fewer kids per adult. It is an outline to use in leading kids in an hour long prayer time. It helps kids learn to pray and intercede. We parents make sure our kids learn so many things, but is prayer one of them? You can use part of this in a presentation if you take the time to prepare.

# Kids Missions Prayer Games

## **Prayer Spinner Prayer - (World and Nation spinners)**

Have kids sit in a circle on the floor. \*Kids pass spinner around circle when you say, "green light." Spinner stops when you say, "red light." The child holding the spinner gets to put the spinner on the floor and spin the needle. Then he/she can pray for the thing the needle lands on. Give them a quick description of what to pray for when they are just learning. (After they do this a few times they will learn what kinds of things to pray without prompting.) The attached sheets explain the way to guide prayer for each topic on the spinners. (You will need to review these before hand to be prepared.)

\*Then repeat the process, making sure a different child gets to pray each time. You can also use this tool by picking a child whose b-day is in Jan, Feb., etc., or by who is wearing certain colors, etc. & just making sure everyone gets a turn.

## **Soft Globall & Beach ball Prayer -**

Do "red light/green light" prayer as described above, but passing the globe around the circle. Have the children pray for:

Chantik children their age to come to know Christ  
For the Lord to send missionaries there to share Jesus with them  
For God to help those from our church who are preparing to go there  
For Chantik children to have hearts ready to hear the Gospel  
For Satan's grip on Chantik children to be loosened  
For more churches to adopt (or focus on) the Chantik

## **Small Squishy Globe Prayer -**

Play "Doggie, Doggie- Who Gets the Bone" using the small squishy globe. Children sit in a circle with one child in the middle with his/her eyes closed. Leader gives one child the ball to hide behind their back. All children put their hands behind their backs to make finding it a challenge! The children all call out, "**Children, Children, Who Gets to Pray?**" The child in the middle guesses until they locate the ball. When the ball is finally discovered, the child in the middle gets to pray and the child who had been hiding the ball gets to go into the middle. There are no winners and losers! Go as long as you can trying to make sure a different child gets a turn. Pray for one of the following things:

Pray that more people in our church will get interested in missions.  
Pray for the Lord to be with their parents at the banquet right now to and help them to learn more about missions  
Pray that the Lord will help the kids in this room to know if they should be missionaries someday.  
Pray that lots of people will come tomorrow to help build the house in the parking lot for a Mexican family

# Kids Missions Prayer Games

## (continued)

### Ring-Around-the-Rosie Prayer -

To the tune of **Ring Around the Rosie** - Put one child in the middle and sing, **“Jesus love all the people, and He wants to save them, prayers, prayers, we all kneel down.”** Then the child you picked to be in the middle gets to pray. Then pick someone else to get in the middle, etc., until they all get a chance to pray. Let them pray prayers of thankfulness to the Lord for anything they want.

### London Bridges Prayer -

To the tune of **London Bridges** - **“Oh my Lord I want to pray, want to pray, want to pray. Oh, my Lord, I want to pray for... our president, my daddy, my mayor,”** etc. Have the children file through under the bridge made from 2 people holding their arms up. When the song ends, whoever is under the outstretched arms gets caught when the arms come down around them. Whatever child gets “caught” gets to pray for the request. Make sure everyone gets a turn. Pray for the following things.

Pray for their own father as he leads their family (be sensitive to kids who don't have a dad)

Pray for the man to be elected president who God wants in that job.

Pray for their own teacher to know Jesus or to grow in knowing Jesus better.

Pray for their Sunday School teacher(s) to know God better.

Pray for one of their non-Christian friends to come to know Christ.

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2000<sub>AD</sub>

Children's Song Sheet

**THE B-I-B-L-E**

The B-I-B-L-E  
It has one story you see,  
To reach all nations with God's love,  
The B-I-B-L-E

**JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN**

Jesus loves the unreached children,  
All the unreached children of the world.  
Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, Chinese, tribals  
need Him too.  
Jesus died for all the children of the world.

**IF YOU'RE BLESSED TO BE A  
BLESSING**

If you're blessed to be a blessing, clap your  
hands. (2x)  
If you're blessed to be a blessing,  
then your life will surely show it.  
If you're blessed to be a blessing, clap your  
hands.

- 2) ...stomp your feet.
- 3) ...say AMEN!
- 4) ...do all three.

**OUR GOD IS AN AWESOME GOD**

Our God is an awesome God  
He reigns from Heaven above  
With wisdom, power, and love  
Our God is an awesome God.

Our God is a faithful God  
He keeps His promises  
To reach all nations  
Our God is a faithful God

**JESUS LOVES ME**

Jesus loves the nations  
Every tongue and every tribe  
He wants to use you  
To reach them to be His Bride

Yes, Jesus loves them, (3x)  
For the Bible tells me so.

**HE LIVES (Call and Response)**

We're gonna serve God side by side,  
Spread the Good News far and wide.  
In the cities and in the streets,  
We're gonna tell all those we meet.

Sound Off, Jesus, Praise His name, Jesus.  
Jesus, Died for sins, rose again HE LIVES!

Jesus makes the heart brand new.  
He died for me and He died for you.  
If you ask Him in your heart,  
Your new life in Him will start.

Repeat Sound Off

Hindus, Chinese, Muslims, too  
Need the Lord just like you.  
Buddhists, Tribals need the call.  
Jesus loves them, one and all.

Repeat Sound Off

# **JESUS LOVES THEM**

**JESUS LOVES THEM, THEY DON'T  
KNOW,  
NO ONE EVER TOLD THEM SO.  
THEY DO NOT TO HIM BELONG.  
THEY ARE LOST, AND THAT IS WRONG.**

**JESUS LOVES THEM, HE WHO DIED,  
FOR THEM HE WAS CRUCIFIED.  
HE WOULD SAVE THEM FROM THEIR  
SIN,  
IF THEY COULD HEAR AND TRUST IN  
HIM.**

**JESUS LOVES THEM, WE SHOULD TOO,  
HE'S LEFT IT UP TO ME AND YOU.  
IF WE WILL BUT GO AND TELL.  
HE WILL SAVE THEIR SOULS FROM  
HELL.**

## **CHORUS**

**YES, JESUS LOVES THEM (3X)  
BUT NO ONE'S TOLD THEM SO.**

**THEY ARE NOT  
UNREACHABLE**

**THEY ARE NOT UNREACHABLE**

**WITH JESUS' STORY**

**IF WE TELL THEM**

**FOR GOD'S GLORY**

**THEY ARE NOT UNREACHABLE**

**WITH JESUS' STORY**

**BUT THERE'S MILLIONS**

**WHO HAVE NEVER HEARD.**

by David Lott

**(tune: Joy Unspeakable)**

# IT IS A SECRET

(Tune: It Is No Secret)

Words by David Lott

The Gospel is so true and yet so very few have heard.  
Jesus died for all, listen to His call.  
The millions cry for someone to give them the Precious Word.  
Won't you go and tell them for they have never heard.

## Chorus:

It is a secret what God can do  
For those who've never heard the Gospel truth.  
With arms wide open He beckons you  
Go tell the secret that God loves you.

The sands of time are slipping by and you did not go tell.  
What will your Lord say upon the Judgement Day?  
They could have heard the Word if you had only gone to tell.  
Now they have no hope - for they are all in Hell.

## Chorus:

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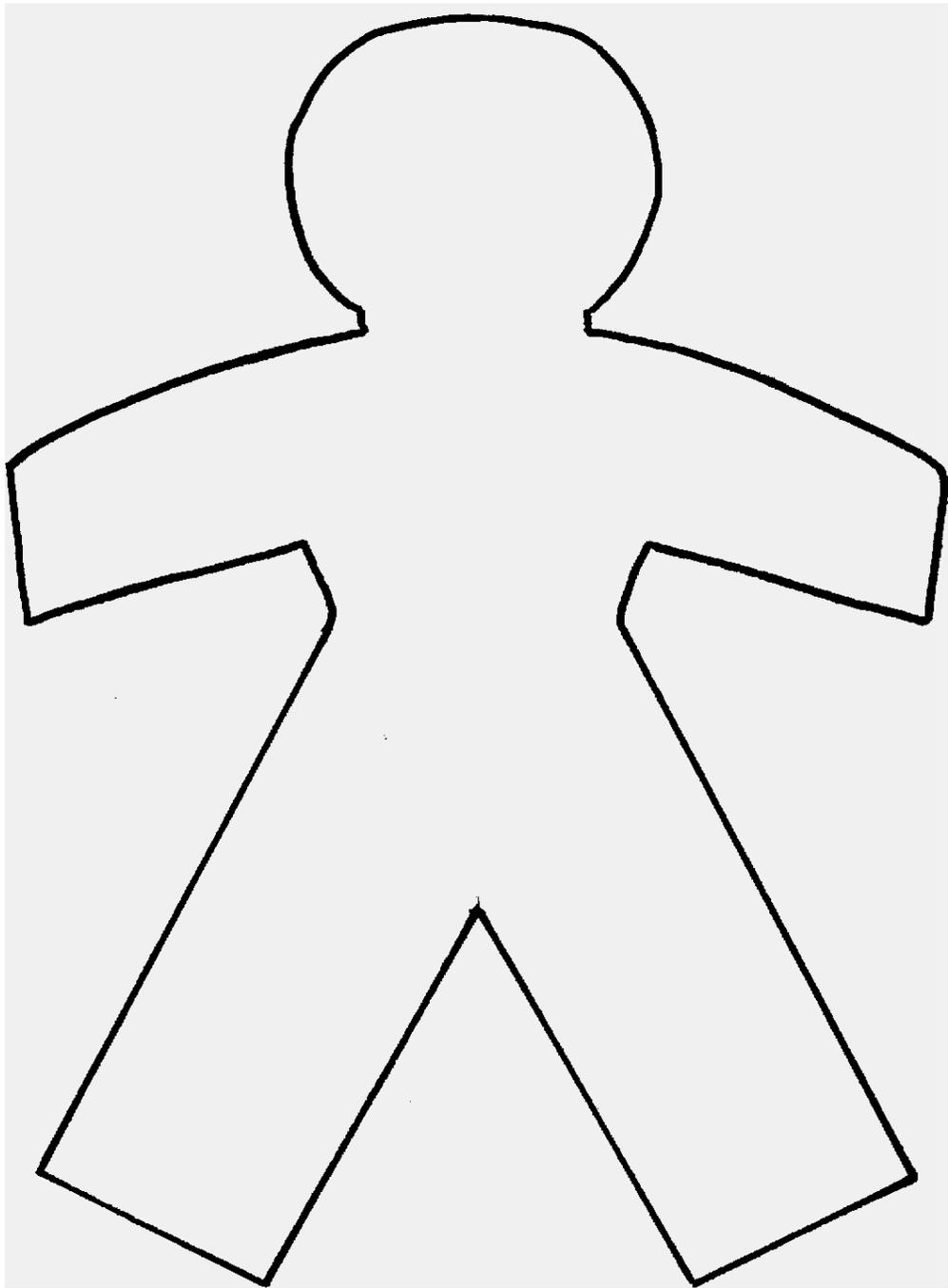
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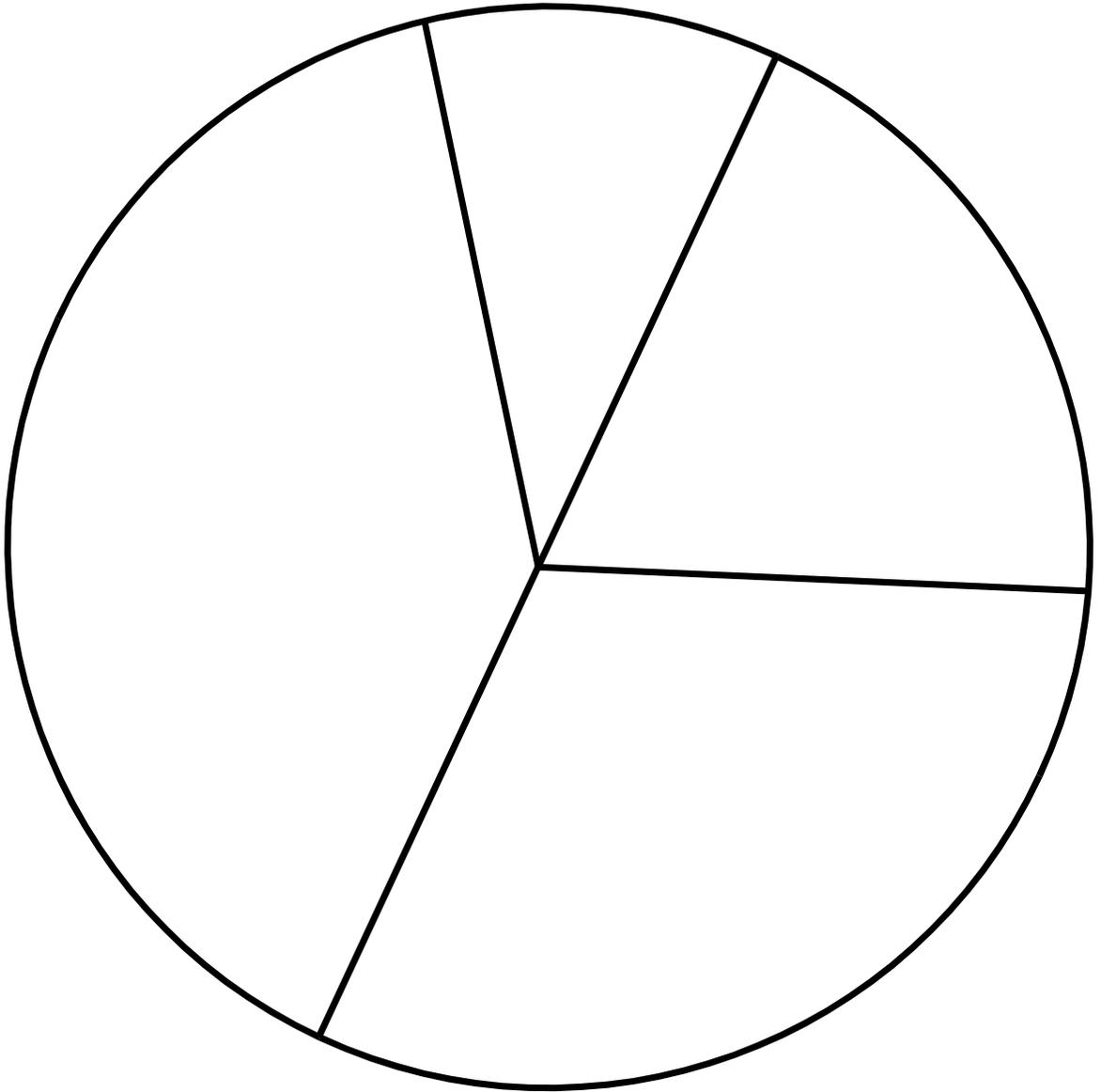
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PEOPLES OF THE WORLD PATTERN



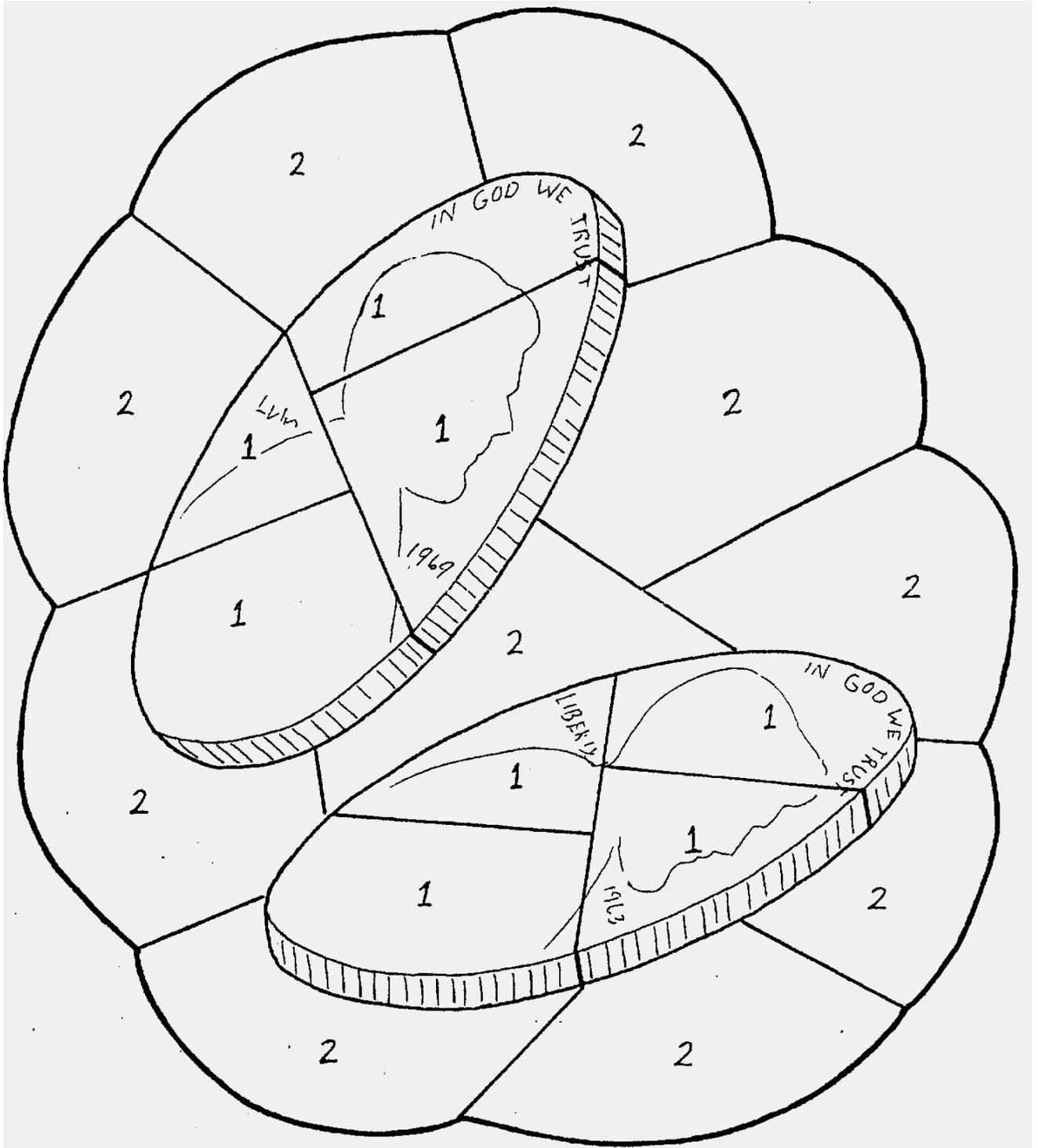
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TWO - BLUE  
THREE - RED  
FOUR - BLACK

UPG LESSON  
CIRCLE GRAPH



1/10 GREEN 2/10 BLUE 2/10 RED 4/10 BLACK  
ALSO MAKE ONE FULL CIRCLE

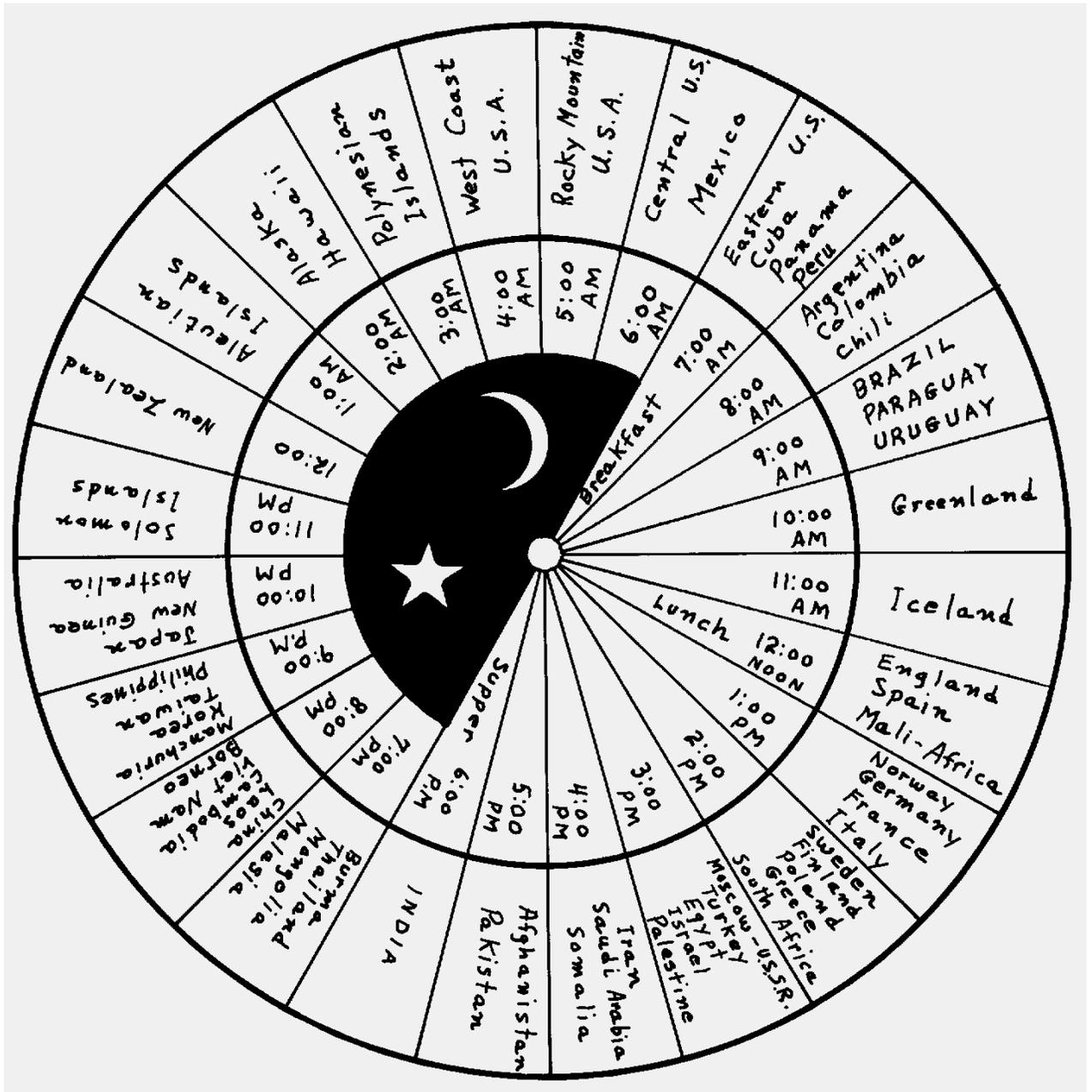
MISSIONARIES ARE SENT  
WITH OUR CENTS!



1 - BROWN  
2 -ORANGE

“Every man shall give  
as he is able.”  
Deuteronomy 16:17

# TIME CHART



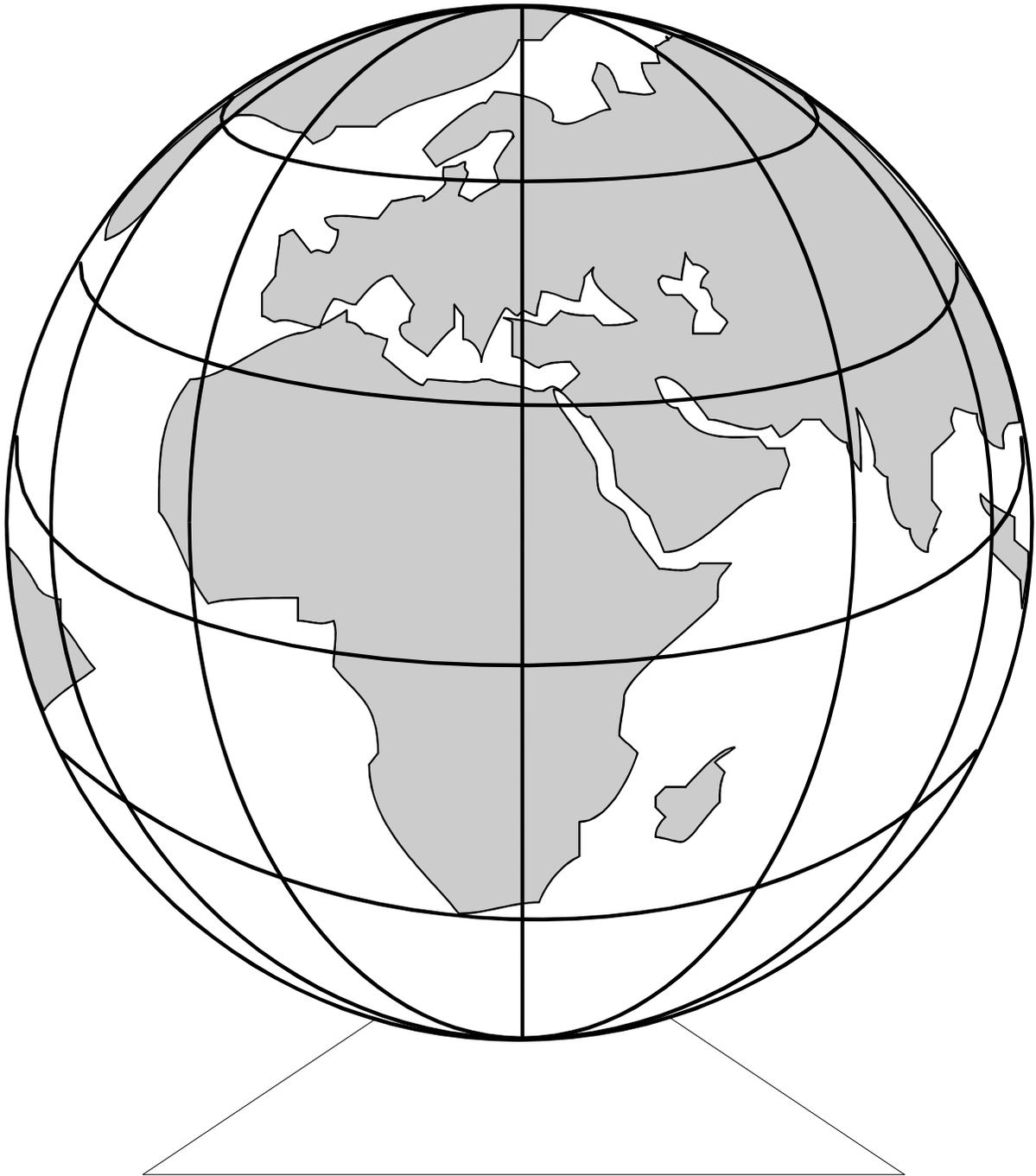
You can tell what time of day it is anywhere in the world by turning the dial. It helps children associate time with missions and can be used to encourage prayer for missionaries. It would be best made out of light weight cardboard.

Make one large circle and one smaller circle dividing both circles into 24 equal parts. Print times and places on both circles as indicated and fasten together with paper fastener.

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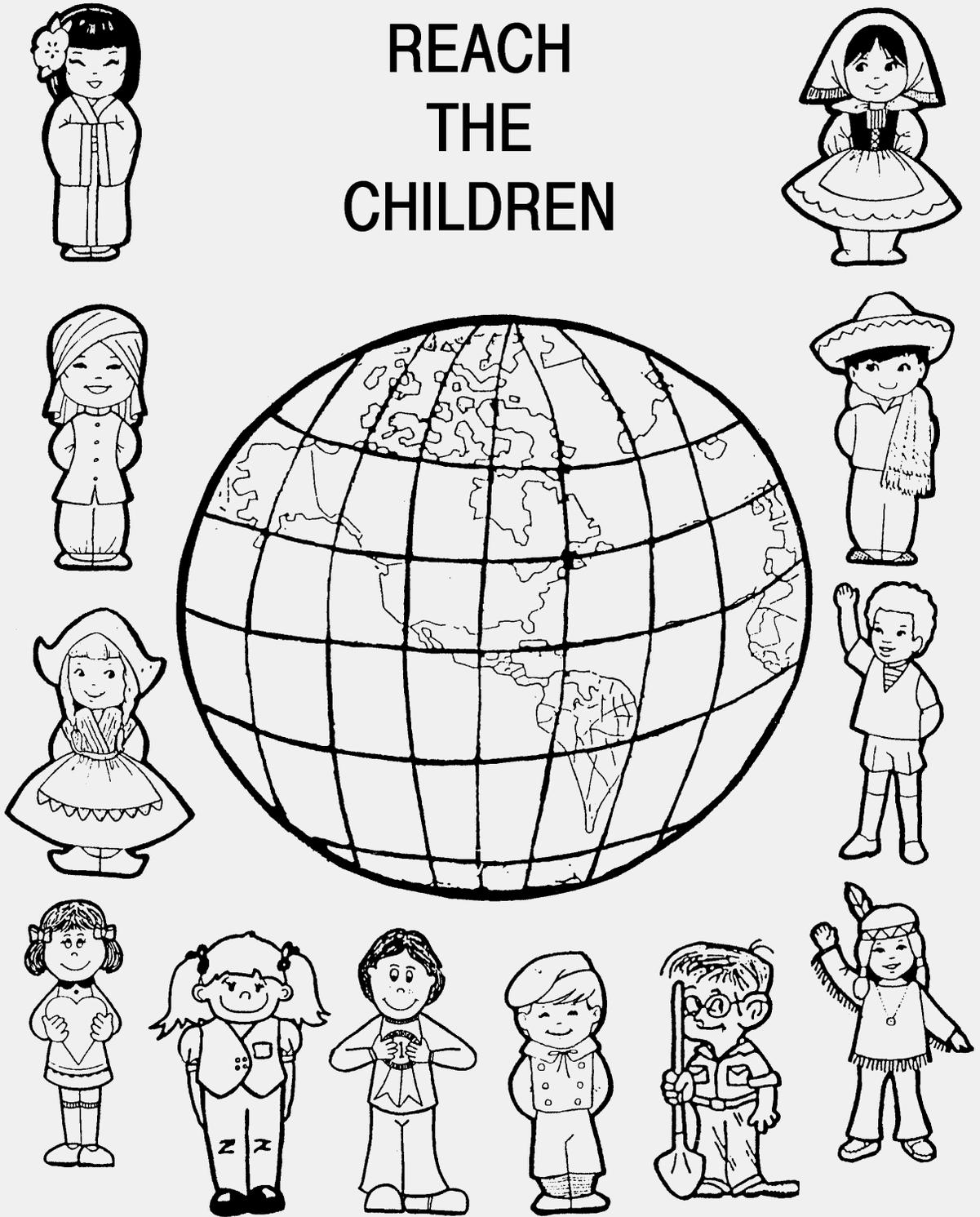
If you are having Bible Club in the Eastern United States at 4:00 PM then it is 9:00 AM in New Zealand and 3:00 AM in India.

## MISSIONS INCENTIVE #1



Buy children of the world stickers. Set a certain amount for each sticker depending on the total goal that was set. Attach a sticker each time that amount is brought in.

# REACH THE CHILDREN



# Children Of The World



**Muslim**



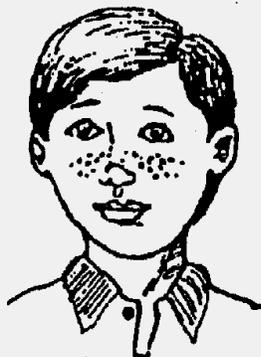
**Buddhist**



**Chinese**



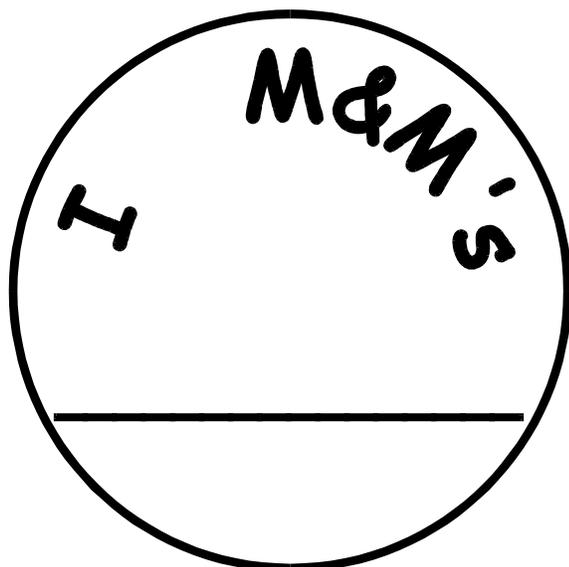
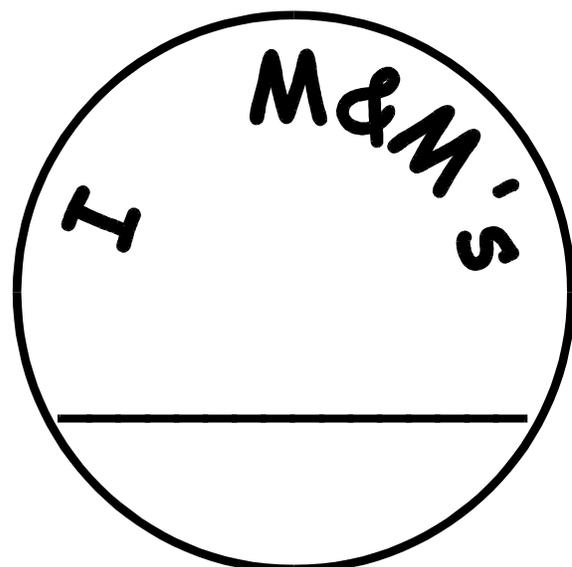
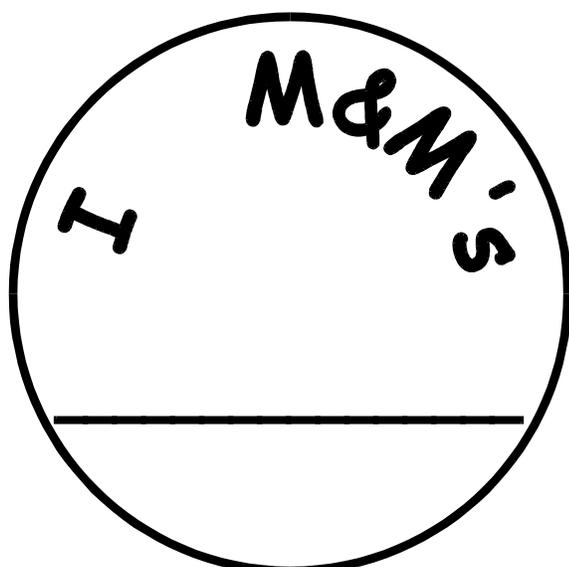
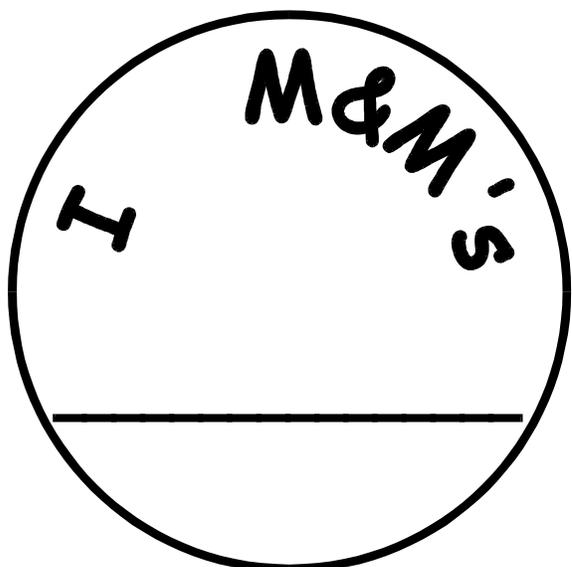
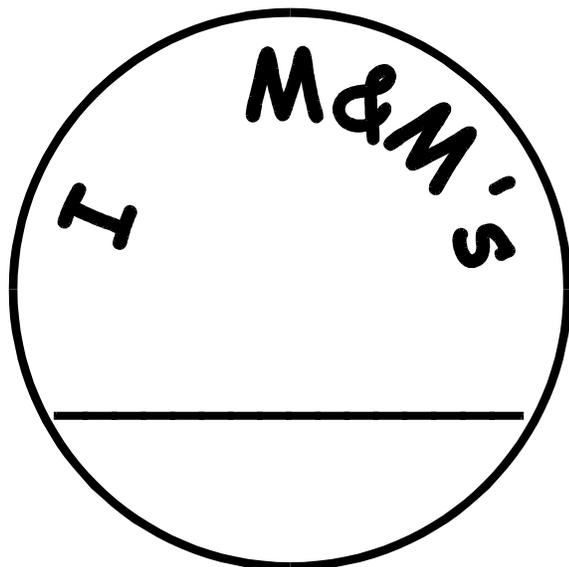
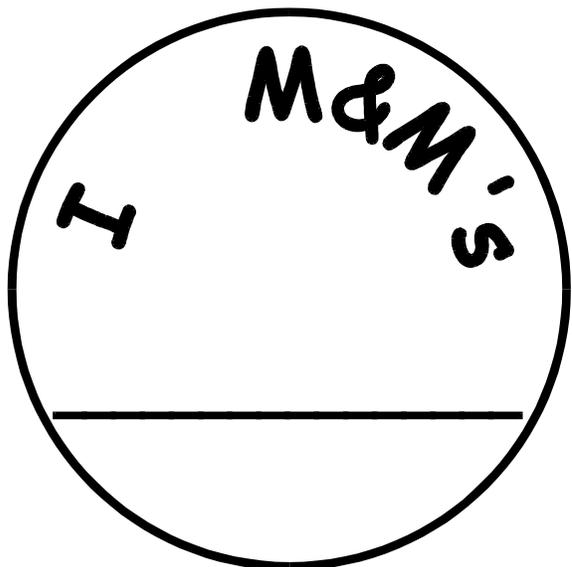
**Hindu**



**Other**



**Tribal**



# MEMORY VERSE:

**“God shall bless us,  
And all the ends  
of the earth shall  
fear Him.”**

**Psalm 67:7**

