

Raising a Mission-Minded Family Resources

Books for Parents

Becoming a World Changing Family: Fun & Innovative Ways to Spread the Good News by Donna Thomas. YWAM, 2008. Fun and practical show parents how to help their children appreciate people of all cultures and see the world as Jesus does. Discover how your family can connect to people of other cultures by eating ethnic cuisine, writing letters, taking trips, enjoying festivals and parties, playing games, and more. Paperback, 159 pp. Order from Amazon.com.

The Mission-Minded Child: Raising a New Generation to Fulfill God's Purpose by Ann Dunagan. Authentic, 2007. This book will inspire teachers and parents to look for God's potential in their child, "release" their little one to God for His purposes and "raise" their child to fulfill God's specific mission. Paperback, 248 pp. Order from Amazon.com.

The Mission Minded Family: Releasing Your Family to God's Destiny by Ann Dunagan, Authentic, 2008. Book focuses on the "why" of missions—including the Biblical basis, our historical heritage in America, and the world's need. Contains mini-missionary biographies, motivational mission stories, classic poems, hymns and hundreds of easy-to-use ideas. Paperback, 248 pp. Order from Amazon.com.

One Million Arrows: Raising Your Children to Change the World by Julie Ferwerda. Winepress, 2009. An inspirational call to raise your kids to impact their culture, community, and world for Christ. If you want your kids to discover their purpose, if you want them to live with a passion for the Kingdom, if you want your family to go down in His-Story, accept the mission . . . and leave a mark for eternity. Paperback, 192 pp. Order from Amazon.com.

Activity Books

Families on Mission: Ideas for Teaching Your Preschooler to Love, Share, and Care by Angie Quantrell. New Hope Publishers, 2005. This book provides activity ideas for families to teach preschoolers and young children about missions by praying, giving, sharing, helping, and loving others. Paperback, 160 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmustore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

We Can Do That! 100+ Ways Families Can Be On Mission by Tonya Heartsill. WMU. This book offers missions involvement ideas designed for the entire family. Available from WMU at www.wmustore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

I Can Do That Too! More Ways to Be On Mission by Ella Robinson. WMU, 2006. This book contains many ideas of ways families can be involved in missions. Paperback, 125 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmustore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

Recipes of the 10/40 Window from Window Kids. Authentic, 2007. Experience food from 60 cultures from Afghanistan to Yemen. Inform your children about how kids in other countries eat and live. Spiral bound, 78 pp. Available from Biblica Direct at www.ibsdirect.com or call 1.800.524.1588.

Stirring Up a World of Fun: International Recipes, Wacky Facts & Family Time Ideas by Nanette Goings. New Hope Publishers, 2006. This book helps families experience new cultures through recipes from around the world, ideas for related family activities, and Scripture. Paperback, 128 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmustore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

THUMB Coloring Book, Initiative360 (formerly Caleb Project), 2007. 25 drawings to color representing kids with THUMB religious worldviews, a world map, prayer requests, and suggested

activities. Paperback, 32 pp. Available from Pioneers at www.cartpioneers.org or call 1.877.622.1040.

Zowie!: 200+ Ministries Kids Can Do by Jill Goldner and Jodi Blackwell. New Hope Publishers, 2008. Filled with ideas and hands-on activities to teach your children about missional living and putting others first. Ideas are grouped by one-time, short-term, and long-term ministry projects. Paperback, 128 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmystore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

55 Ways to Earn Money for Missions! by Ray and Priscilla Martin. Assemblies of God, 2000. Practical projects that kids can do to raise money for missions. Paperback, 30 pp. Available from Gospel Publishing House at www.gospelpublishing.com or call 1.800.641.4310.

Devotional Books

Missions Moments by Mitzi Eaker. WMU, 2005. 52 short chapters, one for each week of the year. Each chapter includes a scripture passage and activity to help families become involved in missions. Paperback, 178 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmystore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

Missions Moments 2 by Mitzi Eaker. New Hope Publishers, 2008. 52 easy-to-use missional messages and activities for today's families. Paperback, 174 pp. Available from WMU at www.wmystore.com or call 1.800.968.7301.

Bibles

Planet Word - Children's Missions Study Bible, Thomas Nelson Publishing, 2005. New King James Version Bible for upper elementary and middle school with a focus on heroes of the faith, unreached peoples, and more! Available from Amazon.com.

The Global Bible for Children, American Bible Society, 2005. Global Contemporary English Version for kids ages 9-12. Includes maps, fun facts, and color photos of people from around the world to broaden kids horizons beyond their own culture and country. Available from Amazon.com.

DVDs

Kids' Unreached Peoples Videos and Curricula, Caleb Project, 2008. DVD/CD format. For ages 5-10, these videos and curricula introduce children to the cultures and needs of unreached peoples and teach them to pray in specific ways. Featured are Turk Kids, Kazakh Kids, Uzbek Kids, Riffi Kids, Han Kids, Bhil Kids, Fulani Kids, Tajik Kids, Khamba Kids, Rajput Kids, and Malay Kids. Get separate sets or the complete collection. Available from Pioneers at www.cartpioneers.org or call 1.877.662.1040.

Linking Up series, Voice of the Martyrs. Stories of kids standing strong for Jesus in countries with a high risk of persecution. Available at www.kidsofcourage.com.

Torchlighters Heroes of the Faith series, Christian History Institute. Animated videos for older children on Jim Elliot, William Tyndale, John Bunyan, Eric Liddell, Gladys Aylward, Richard Wurmbrand, and Perpetua. Available from Vision Video at www.visionvideo.com or call 1.800.523.0226.

Prayer Tools

Kids' PRAYER CARDS, Caleb Project, 2006. 25 kid-friendly prayer cards encourage children from 2nd-6th grade to pray using the THUMB acronym (Tribal, Hindu, Unreligious, Muslim, Buddhist). Each card has a greeting, fun fact, belief, and prayer request. Available from Pioneers at www.cartpioneers.org or call 1.877.662.1040.

THUMB Prayer Cards, Caleb Project/PrayKids, 2001. Five prayer cards teach kids to pray for Tribal, Hindu, Unreligious, Muslim, and Buddhist peoples. Available from Nav Press at www.navpress.com or call 1.800.343.3902.

Window on the World: When We Pray God Works by Daphne Spraggett with Jill Johnstone. Authentic, 2007. 221-page book describes children's lives around the world, including religious beliefs. Each 2-page spread provides specific prayer requests. Paperback, 221 pp. Available from BiblicaDirect at www.ibsdirect.com or call 1.800.524.1588.

Hands-On Prayer Tools. Fabric world map, world shower curtain, world beach ball globes (12 inch), world rubber squeeze balls, and world key chains encourage children to pray for the world in a fun way. Available from Pioneers at www.cartpioneers.org or call 1.877.662.1040.

Kids Missions Websites

www.caravanfriends.org

www.kidsofcourage.com

www.onemissionkids.org

www.questforcompassion.org

www.simkids.org

Family Mission Trips

Adventures in Missions. Family trips for children ages 6 and older. Trips are from 5-14 days and include both national and international locations. Trips include regular ministry times, along with moments of worship, debriefing, and fellowship. For information, go to www.adventures.org or call 1.800.881.2461.

World Servants. Choose a 1- or 2-week experience serving a specific community to meet their physical and spiritual needs through acts of kindness. Service means not only doing construction projects, but also engaging in fellowship through Kid's Club (i.e. VBS), community worship, women's ministry, and home visitations. For information, go to www.worldservants.org or call 1.800.881.2170.