

# Leader's Guide



## Just One Service

Four missions experiences on providing clean water and the message of Jesus to people in need

**Location:** India

**Focus verse: Proverbs 14:31** “The one who oppresses the poor person insults his Maker, but one who is kind to the needy honors Him.”

**Overall message: *See needs, meet needs.*** Jesus set that example. Teams of Christians follow His example by providing the simple gift of clean, readily available water to small villages that rely on hand pumps. These missions experiences are designed to help kids understand the basic needs of people around the world and take action on a kid-capable level to meet them.

This leader's guide includes plans for four, short missions experiences that can be added to your existing programs or events:



**Cultural experience**



**Prayer experience**



**Giving experience**



**Serving experience**

- Each of these missions experiences is designed to last 10 to 15 minutes.
- Use these as an addition to a weekly meeting or combine for a longer missions focus.
- Customize these resources to fit your needs.
- [Note: If you are using the DVD-ROM, all videos and handouts are included. Please follow the directions on the cover to access all files.]

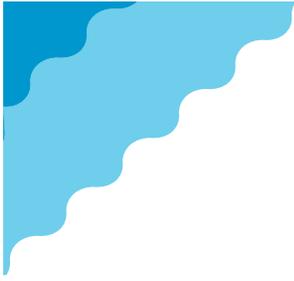
**Here is a simple glossary that may be useful to you as you communicate these ideas to children:**

**Mission(s)** — A job God gives a person He has chosen to tell another group of people the Good News about Jesus. The person God sends is called a missionary.

**Missionary** — A Christian chosen by God who obeys His command to go and tell another group of people the Good News about Jesus. (Preschool version) A Christian chosen by God who obeys and goes to tell another group of people about Jesus.

**People group** — A group of people who share the same language and way of life.

**IMB (International Mission Board)** — A group created by Southern Baptist churches in one sacred effort to share Jesus with people around the world who wouldn't otherwise have the opportunity to know and follow Him.



# Just One Service Cultural Experience



## Prepare

- From the DVD-ROM or [kidsonmission.org](http://kidsonmission.org), prepare to show the **A day with Rebha** video.
- Download and print one **India map**, the **Just One Service focus verse**, and a copy of **What a lot of water!** for each child.
- Bring a gallon jug filled with water and a bathroom scale, if you have one. You may prefer to simply make a note that a gallon of water weighs a little more than 8 pounds (8.34).
- Make two construction paper signs: Home and Water Pump.

## Introduction

Show kids the gallon jug of water. Allow everyone an opportunity to lift the jug and estimate its weight before placing it on the scale or revealing the correct weight. Show the **India map** and explain that in some areas of India, families must estimate the amount of water needed to complete everyday tasks and be prepared to carry it from a village pump.

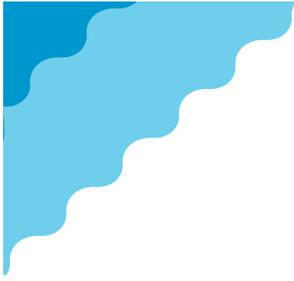
## What a lot of water!

- Show kids the **A day with Rebha** video. Encourage kids to identify the ways Rebha's everyday life is different from theirs.
- Distribute copies of **What a lot of water!** Lead kids to complete the activity.
- Invite volunteers to name other ways water is used in their households and communities.

## A long haul

- Prompt kids to compare the size of the container Rebha used to carry water from the village pump to the gallon jug of water.
- Set two chairs about ten feet apart. Tape the *Home* and *Water Pump* signs to separate chairs.
- Enlist a volunteer to "haul water" (make a trip from one chair to the other) to illustrate how Rebha must walk to and from the pump to supply her household with water. (Challenge older kids to hold the gallon jug on their heads as they walk back and forth.)
- Guide kids to calculate the number of one-gallon trips it would take, based on American household use, for everyone in their families to do these things:

*Flush a toilet*—2 gallons



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*Wash dishes by hand—4 gallons*

*Take a bath—36 gallons*

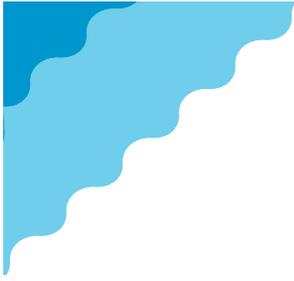
*Do a load of laundry—25 gallons*

- For young children, make this a “more than” or “less than” activity. For example, ask if they think taking a bath uses more water or less water than flushing a toilet.
- If desired, challenge volunteers to walk back and forth between chairs with the water jug, one trip per gallon, for the smaller tasks. Lead kids to discuss how hauling water by hand would affect how their families used water at home. Young children may enjoy extra trips with the water jug.
- Read the **Just One Service focus verse** together as you close your time together.

## Pray

Ask God to provide for families who must carry clean water to their homes each day.





# Just One Service Prayer Experience



## Prepare

- From the DVD-ROM or [kidsonmission.org](http://kidsonmission.org), download and print the **Water for India photos** and a copy of **Water bottle drop-ins** for each child.
- Provide scissors, tape and a clean, dry water bottle for each child.

## Recap

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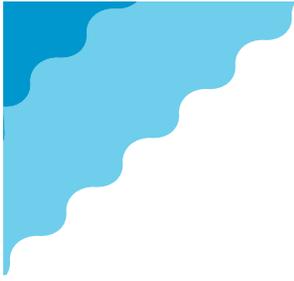
## Daily dilemmas

- If kids have already watched the **A day with Rebha** video from the cultural experience, prompt them to describe how Rebha's family uses water and how water is transported to her home.
- Remind kids of the challenges created by an off-site water supply (*long waiting lines for working pumps; waiting for water often keeps children from attending school*).
- Ask: *What difference does one working water pump make to villages like Rebha's?* Help kids understand a simple pump repair is an expression of Jesus' love to an entire village.
- Show the **Water for India photos** and ask for volunteers to read the captions aloud. Discuss ways to pray for Christian workers and the people in India.

## Prayer time

- Give everyone a **Water bottle drop-ins** page and a clean water bottle. Provide scissors and tape.
- Guide kids to quietly cut the prayer suggestions apart. Kids can roll the strips, secure with a piece of tape, and drop in the bottle; but before they do so, prompt them to pray as suggested on each strip.
- Encourage kids to take the bottles home, remove one strip each day, and continue to pray with their families for the people of India and Christian workers who are meeting their physical and spiritual needs.





# Just One Service Giving Experience



## Prepare

- From the DVD-ROM or [kidsonmission.org](http://kidsonmission.org), prepare to show the **One cup** video.
- Download and print a copy of **Drop that pop!** on heavyweight paper or cardstock. Each kid will need at least one copy.
- Provide markers, scissors, a hole punch and paper clips.
- See [onelifekids.org](http://onelifekids.org) for information about how to give to the One Cup project to provide well repairs for villages like Rebha's. If you prefer to send a check, send it to:  
IMB Students  
One Life-One Cup Project  
P.O. Box 6767  
Richmond, VA 23230-0767

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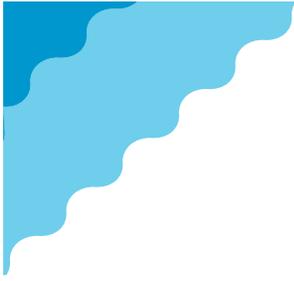
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## Just one pump

- Show the **One cup** video.
- Tell kids that it costs \$10 to provide a new handle for a village water pump in India. Discuss how repairing just one pump handle can change living conditions in a small village. Ask: *Why do mission teams choose to fix village water supplies instead of simply visiting the village and talking about God?* Help kids recognize that acts of kindness are a picture of God's kindness to people who don't know Him.
- Comment that many fast food places and vending machines charge about \$1 for a soft drink. Guide kids to consider how many soft drinks their families consume in a week's time. Ask: *If you chose to skip soft drinks at eat-out or at-home meals, what could you do with the money that would have gone for the drink?*

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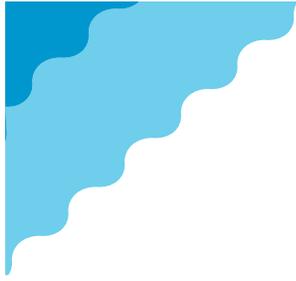
## Drop that pop! reminders

- Distribute **Drop that pop!** outlines, markers and scissors. Lead kids to color the cup outlines, punch a hole in the top, and insert bent paper clips to make mirror hangers for their families' cars. (You may have to explain that some people call soft drinks "pop.")
- Encourage kids to propose that their families skip soft drinks at meals or snack times and donate pop money instead to a clean water mission project.
- If desired, set a specific date (write it on the back of each cup) for kids to bring the funds they collected for a combined gift to the One Cup project.

## Pray

Ask God to give kids and their families the desire to meet others' needs, both in their communities and around the world.





# Just One Service Serving Experience



## Prepare

- From the DVD-ROM or [kidsonmission.org](http://kidsonmission.org), download and print the **Just One Service focus verse** if it's not displayed already in your room.
- Make arrangements for kids to perform one task related to a church mission project. Work with a mission team leader or church staff member to provide an opportunity for kids to help sort donations, pack gift bags or decorate collection boxes.

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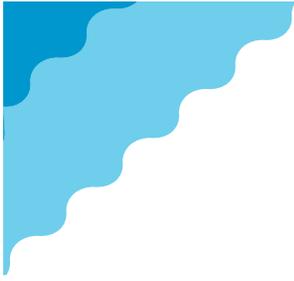
## It's an honor!

- Lead kids to read the **Just One Service focus verse** aloud together. Ask: *How does being kind to needy people honor God?* Invite volunteers to describe how teams in India honor God by repairing broken village water pumps.
- Tell kids they have the honor of meeting needs by participating in a church mission project. Describe the project or allow a mission team member to do so.
- During the remaining available time, let kids participate in the project. As they work, discuss what needs they are meeting through their participation.
- Option: If your church does not have a mission project currently in progress, bring a case of water bottles. Allow kids to create labels with Bible verses or prayer thoughts for the bottles. Contribute to a local food pantry or disaster relief organization, like Baptist Global Response (BGR).

## Pray

Invite volunteers to pray aloud for the recipients of the supplies or services provided through your church mission project.





# Just One Service Going Further



## More ideas using this theme

- Download and print the **Just One Service parent letter**. Give to parents so they can continue investigating this theme as a family.
- Enlist help from a science teacher or water specialist to show kids how a simple hand pump works or to conduct a simple experiment to test water quality.
- Play a word game to help kids distinguish between needs and wants. Bring tiles from an alphabet game like Scrabble™. After discussing the difference between necessities and luxuries, form two teams. Lead each team to draw six tiles. Give teams two minutes to identify needs that begin with the same letters as the tiles they drew.
- Lead kids to make mini-posters that represent what they've learned about clean water projects in India. With permission from your church staff, place the posters near each water fountain or faucet in your building. More photos and information can be found on the [onelifekids.org](http://onelifekids.org) website.
- You can donate to the **One Cup project** in India by going to [onelifekids.org](http://onelifekids.org). Or you can mail a check to:  
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- Don't forget to visit [kidsonmission.org](http://kidsonmission.org) for more activities and KOM experiences you might have missed. Also, like us on Facebook and see how other churches are using KOM.

