



## **VBS Stewardship and Mission** **Supplement**



### **Helping Nepal, 2015**

Whether your church is climbing Everest, going to Nazareth, finding the G-force, blasting to the past, or finding out how your kids are “gifted” this summer. . . we should all spend time taking God’s presence to those in need. The people of Nepal and surrounding Mt. Everest areas are struggling with a much bigger task than climbing Everest as they begin rebuilding their lives after an earthquake that hit the area in April.

Week of Compassion and DHM Family & Children’s Ministries have partnered together to provide you a way to incorporate stewardship and giving into your VBS, camp, or summer events. We have intentionally kept this resource simple so it can work for your congregation and program. If you are using Everest VBS materials, Group has published a letter to help guide giving with their resources. ([www.group.com/media/5386880/nepal\\_statement.pdf](http://www.group.com/media/5386880/nepal_statement.pdf)).

Below is an interactive activity to engage young people in the summer program AND encourage them in sharing resources with those in need in Nepal.

### **ACTIVITY**

Rebuilding communities after a natural disaster takes prayer, time and the sharing of resources.

#### **Listening**

Share stories from the Nepal earthquake.

- What happened in Nepal: [www.weekofcompassion.org/our-impact](http://www.weekofcompassion.org/our-impact))
- Information about Nepal: [www.globalministries.org/nepal](http://www.globalministries.org/nepal) )
- What is Week of Compassion: [www.weekofcompassion.org](http://www.weekofcompassion.org) [video])
- How your money helps: [www.actalliance.org/stories/video-from-nepal](http://www.actalliance.org/stories/video-from-nepal) )

#### **Sharing of Resources**

Have kids “buy” the blocks/Legos/building tools at your church.

(Example: Each block could be \$1.00, or different shapes and sizes could have various amounts or have them write prayers on each block when they do not have money.)

#### **Teamwork**

Have them rebuild something together with the building tools that they have “bought.”

(Examples: G-force kids could build a roller-coaster or Nazareth kids could build the temple.)

#### **Social Sharing**

Take a picture (or more) of your process and outcomes to share.

Post/Tweet.... Share!

Week of Compassion Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/weekofcompassion](http://www.facebook.com/weekofcompassion)

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/wkofcompassion>

OR text them to 317-551-1032, and we will post them for you! OR text them to 317-551-1032, and we will post them for you! (Make sure you have permission for children to be posted, and let us know some information about your program, children, church and building.)

Share with your congregation what the kids activities has been and how they are sharing their resources with our sisters and brother in Nepal. Involve the entire congregation in this activity if you can.

#### **Sending out Resources**

Send money collected from your rebuilding activity to: **Week of Compassion, P.O. Box 1986, Indianapolis, IN 46206**

**OTHER RESOURCES:** If difficult questions arise, please use these resources or contact Family & Children’s Ministries or the Week of Compassion office.

**Family & Children’s website:** <http://familiesandchildren.wix.com/familiesandchildren#!tough-situations/c1odm>

**Week of Compassion Resources for Children and Youth:** [www.weekofcompassion.org/children-youth](http://www.weekofcompassion.org/children-youth)