



A fun and easy way for kids to learn about missions.

Hello Parents,

This week we travel to central Kenya to meet a woman named Justina. She is from the Samburu tribe, a semi-nomadic people who move from place to place with their herd of animals in search of food and water.

As a Seventh-day Adventist, Justina wanted to start an Adventist church in the area that she had recently moved to. But she had no church building, just the shade of a tree. Other people in the community were reluctant to join a church that didn't have a real building—after all, what kind of God did Justina serve if she was stuck under a tree?

Today, see how clean water changed Justina's situation and opened up an opportunity for the Gospel to grow in her community. We hope your kids are able to imagine what it would be like to not have a church building and to consider what a new church means for Justina.

### Pre-video Discussion Questions

- Has your family ever moved from one house to another, or maybe to a different state? What was it like to be living in one place and then have to go to a new place?
- How would it feel if you had to move to a new town with new people every year?

### VIDEO

In today's video, we'll meet Justina of the Samburu people in Kenya. Justina's tribe was constantly on the move, making it hard for her to start a new church.

### Post-video Discussion Questions

- What would it be like to have church under a tree? What would be nice about it? What would be challenging?
- If you've ever had to join a new church, what did it feel like? If you haven't, what is it like when you visit a new church where you don't know anyone?
- How would it feel if you invited a friend to your church, but they didn't want to come?
- What happened in the story that allowed Justina to grow her small group of church members?
- Do you remember how many churches Maranatha has built in Kenya? (More than 300)

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## **Prayer Points**

- Justina's churches in Kenya
- All of the church members in Kenya who are worshipping under trees or don't have a proper place for worship
- Ask kids what they would add to the prayer list

## **Did You Know?**

- Maranatha has been working in Kenya since 2016, building churches, schools, and water wells.
- The Samburu tribe is one of more than 40 native tribes in Kenya.
- Samburu boys go out with their fathers with the cattle to find water and food. Mothers stay at home with the other kids to cook, collect water, and build their homes.