



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

Hello Parents,

This week, travel with us to São Tomé and Príncipe, an island-nation off the coast of Africa. Here, we'll meet a seven-year-old boy named Duarte. Duarte has a rare form of epilepsy called Dravet Syndrome, which can cause frequent seizures, developmental delays, and speech issues.

Duarte's mother wanted him to have a chance at a normal life, with friends and an education. In today's video, see how the prayers from Duarte's mom and a missionary from Brazil intersected to create a wonderful learning environment for him, and how Maranatha helped to make it last.

Pre-video Discussion Questions

- Have you ever been misunderstood? What did it feel like?
- How would you feel if your school didn't have the next grade after your current one? What would be the worst part?

VIDEO

In today's video, we'll meet Duarte, a seven-year-old boy who lives on an island in Africa called São Tomé and Príncipe. Duarte has challenges, but we'll see how his mom's prayers led him to the right school.

Post-video Discussion Questions

- Do you know anyone who has special challenges like Duarte? What is that person good at, and what do they have a hard time with?
- How can you help someone who is having a hard time in school or at church?
- How did Maranatha help Duarte?
- Duarte's classmates learned to help him when he needed it. What might have happened if Duarte had to go to another school?
- God brought Silvia, the missionary from Brazil, and Duarte together. Have you or your parents ever noticed how God worked out a situation by bringing just the right people together?

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Prayer Points

- Duarte and his mother
- Kids like Duarte, who have special challenges
- Ask kids what they would add to the prayer list

Did You Know?

- The official language of São Tomé and Príncipe is Portuguese. Around 200,000 people live in São Tomé and Príncipe making it the second-smallest African country, and the smallest Portuguese-speaking country.