

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

Hello Parents,

This week, come deep into the jungles of Costa Rica with a daring group of Maranatha volunteers. They participated in one of Maranatha's most epic mission trips in hopes of providing a church for two jungle communities.

There aren't good roads into the jungle, so these volunteers, along with local church members, hiked through the forest and carried materials by hand. The conditions were wet and muddy, and the journey took hours. Once at the site, everyone camped in tents and ate simple meals.

In today's program, your kids will watch an adventurous mission trip unfold and consider the sacrifice it takes to serve.

Pre-video Discussion Questions

- Have you ever been on a hike or a long walk? How many hours did it take? How did you feel at the end of it?
- What is it like to play outside while it's raining? How would you feel to be wet all day?
- Have you ever been camping in a tent? If so, what is it like? What do you think would be fun about living in a tent for more than a week? What wouldn't be so great?

VIDEO

In today's video, an adventurous group of Maranatha volunteers hikes deep into the jungles of Costa Rica to construct a church.

Post-video Discussion Questions

- How do you think the church members felt to have a new church that would protect them from the rain?
- Why was Maranatha's One-Day Church the perfect design for this situation?
- The volunteers on this trip could have stayed at home, where they would have been dry, cool, and well-rested in their own beds. Why do you think they chose to make themselves uncomfortable?
- Have you ever decided to be uncomfortable or give up something fun because you wanted to help someone? (Let kids answer) That is called "sacrifice."
- Can you think of a Bible character that sacrificed something in their life to be able to serve others?
- Is there something we could sacrifice in the next week to help someone else?

Prayer Points

- People who are sacrificing their comfort right now during the pandemic for the benefit of others.
- Congregations who are meeting around the world without a church building.
- Ask kids what they would add to the prayer list.

Did You Know?

• From 2000-2002, Maranatha built more than 30 churches and schools all over Costa Rica.