

Loving the Lost in Los Angeles

Use this resource to reinforce what your child is learning every month in missions.

NOTES FROM YOUR CHILD'S LEADERS

This month, children will discover how missionaries are sharing Jesus in Los Angeles—one of the most influential cities in the world. They will be challenged to listen to God's Word and do what it says.

BIBLE FOCUS

Read James 1:19–27 with your family. Say: *Our family has a responsibility to listen to God's Word and to do what it says.* Ask: *How can our family listen to God's Word? How can we do what God's Word says?* Have your child take pictures of one ear and one hand of every member of your family. Print out the photos to make a poster. On the left side of the poster, write *Listen*. On the right side, write *Do*. Tape or glue all the ear photos under *Listen* and all the hand photos under *Do*. Across the bottom of the poster, write *Our family will listen and do what God's Word says*.

MINISTRY FOCUS

Los Angeles is the largest city in California. Los Angeles has a population of 3.8 million—which is larger than the entire population of some states. In addition, there are about 400 different ethnic, cultural, and language groups in Los Angeles. What a great opportunity to reach the world for Christ! To help your child understand how many people live in Los Angeles, get a map of the United States. Have your child locate Mississippi, Arkansas, Kansas, Utah, Nevada, New Mexico, West Virginia, and Nebraska. Explain that more people live in the city of Los Angeles than the entire population of these individual states! Use the Internet to find additional states that have populations smaller than Los Angeles. Because Los Angeles is so big, it will take a big effort to reach the city for Christ. As a family, pray for 100 more church planters to serve in Los Angeles.

WEB FOCUS

Visit these websites as a family to learn more about this month's emphasis:

- wmu.com/ThisMonth
- namb.net/send-cities/losangeles
- anniearmstrong.com

MISSIONS FOCUS

► **Easter Offering Basket**
The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering® goes to missionaries and their work of sharing Jesus throughout North America. As a family, decide how much you will give to this offering. Encourage family members to save money in an Easter basket. Once a week, count the money to see how close you are to your goal.

► **Care for College Students**

Missionaries in Los Angeles share God's love with college students. Invite a college student to enjoy a home-cooked meal with your family or make cookies and mail them to a student who is away from home.

► **Park Cleanup**

Missionaries in Los Angeles share God's love with people in a city park. Volunteer for a cleanup day at a local park. Use it as an opportunity to make new friends that you can invite to church.