

Loved So Much in *Paris, France*

This month, children will learn how missionaries Jason and Cassie Harris are finding creative ways to make friendships that will lead to new and growing churches throughout the city and its many suburbs.

Bible Focus

The Scripture Verse for this month is Luke 10:36–37. Write each word of the scripture on a different small piece of paper and put them all in an empty container. Allow each member of your family to draw a word. As a family, say the scripture verse together. Each time a word that was drawn is said, the person who drew the word should pop up and sit back down. Draw new words and repeat saying the scripture pop-up style. Continue until the scripture verse is memorized. (*Option:* Try other actions each time you repeat the verse, like clap your hands, do a jumping jack, etc.)

Ministry Focus

Missionary Jason Harris says making friends in Paris takes time. He's found that sitting and sharing a meal or coffee is the best way to do this. While eating a meal or drinking coffee, he can get to know the other person by asking them questions and listening to them. Plan to have a family meal with your child where you turn off electronic devices and ask each other questions like *what was something fun you did today? What was something that made you laugh? Did you learn something new today?* Encourage them to do the same thing with children they eat lunch with at school.

Missions Focus

▶▶▶ Neighborhood Block Party

The Harris family plans events that bring people together for an activity so they can have opportunities to share about God's love. Plan a Neighborhood Block Party to bring your neighbors together for a potluck meal, some fun, and to share God's love. Set up outdoor games to promote conversation and interaction between participants. Invite your neighbors to your church if they do not attend church.

▶▶▶ Sidewalk Art

This month, your child learned about street art in Paris. Missionary Cassie Harris uses art to bring people together to paint and she also shares with them that God loves them so much. With your child, find a sidewalk in a public area where lots of people walk. Using chalk, draw on the sidewalk a message about God's love. Pray for the people you see passing by as you work and share with people who may talk with you about what you are doing. You can share God's love in a creative way!

▶▶▶ Cookie Exchange

Invite your neighbors to a cookie exchange. Encourage families to bring three dozen cookies. Each family will go home with two dozen assorted cookies made by all the neighbors. The third dozen will be used to make assorted cookie packages for each family to take with them to share with someone they know who needs to feel loved. Provide supplies for each family to make a note to include with the cookie package they will share.

Use this resource to reinforce what your child is learning every month in your children's missions group.

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