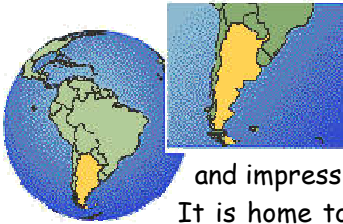


World Champions

OM New Zealand's newsletter for children who want to make a difference in God's World!



Country focus: Argentina

Topic:
Make your light shine!

The 8th biggest country in the world, and home to some of the world's tallest mountains, biggest deserts, and impressive waterfalls, Argentina is a beautiful country.

It is home to nearly 40 million people - that's 10 times the number of people in New Zealand!

But not everything is wonderful in Argentina. Many people are very poor and there is a lot of crime and violence in some areas. Nearly everyone in Argentina believes in God, but very few know that they can have a relationship with Him because of Jesus dying on the cross.

People in Argentina really need World Champions to Pray, Give and Go For It!

Bible reading:

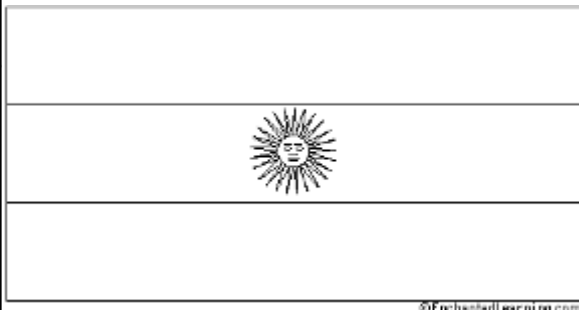
What does it mean to make your light shine?
Read what God wants us to do:

Isaiah 58



Colour in Argentina's flag:

Our theme this month is making your light shine. Argentina's flag fits in really well with that, as it shows a bright sun shining in the centre! Colour the sun yellow and the top and bottom stripes of the flag light blue. Leave the middle stripe white.



Memory verse light puzzle:

Use the pictures to unscramble each of the clue words. Copy the letters in the numbered boxes to other boxes with the same number to spell out this month's memory verse.



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Nice name... nasty place:

The neighbourhood is called "Las Violetas" - Violets - but it's one of the toughest areas in Argentina.

Taxi drivers refuse to drive there. People lock themselves inside after dark because the streets are places where criminals fight and sell drugs. People there are also very poor. Most of them live on less than \$2 a day. But there is hope...

Sandra and the OM team - World Champions in Argentina:

Over the last ten years, Sandra Acosta and several other OM workers have faithfully offered food to the hungry in Las Violetas. In one kindergarten they have fed children three meals a day, six days a week. The children also get medical help and play special games to learn how to take care of themselves and others.

Now Sandra and her team also give food out to older people in Las Violetas. Now at least twenty old people are able to eat a good meal each day. As Sandra and the team show Jesus' love by feeding people, it's like they are making their lights shine. People have seen this and some have become Christians.



World Champions... Pray!

You can be a World Champion by praying for children in Argentina.

- Pray for the many children who live in Las Violetas. Pray that they stay safe and get enough food, and that through seeing Christians like Sandra shining her light by doing kind things, they will learn how to be God's children.
- Thank God for Sandra and the OM team that help children like these.
- Pray for the violence to stop in Las Violetas.

Also ask God to show you ways that you can make your light shine in your neighbourhood. What could you do?

Did you know:

Argentina's name means "Land of Silver" but there is actually very little silver there. Early explorers thought they saw silver there but they were mistaken.



The widest road in the world is in Buenos Aires, the capital of Argentina. It is called Avenida 9 de Julio and it has 16 lanes!

The Atacama Desert in Argentina is the driest place on earth. Hardly anything grows there. In some parts of Atacama Desert, it has never rained!



People speak Spanish in Argentina. There is a law stopping people from using English words on billboards or on TV if they can say the same thing in Spanish.

This sun is letting its light shine!
Can you find your way out of its bright maze?



We are thinking about making our lights shine for God this month. When we do good things, we are like a light that shows people what God is like.

Did you know that Jesus called himself the Light of the World? (See John 8:12, 9:5 and 12:46.) He is God and he came down to earth as a person to not only show us what God is like, but die on the cross for us so that we can be freed from our sins. Because he rose again, we can know that he is God and is the Light of the World.

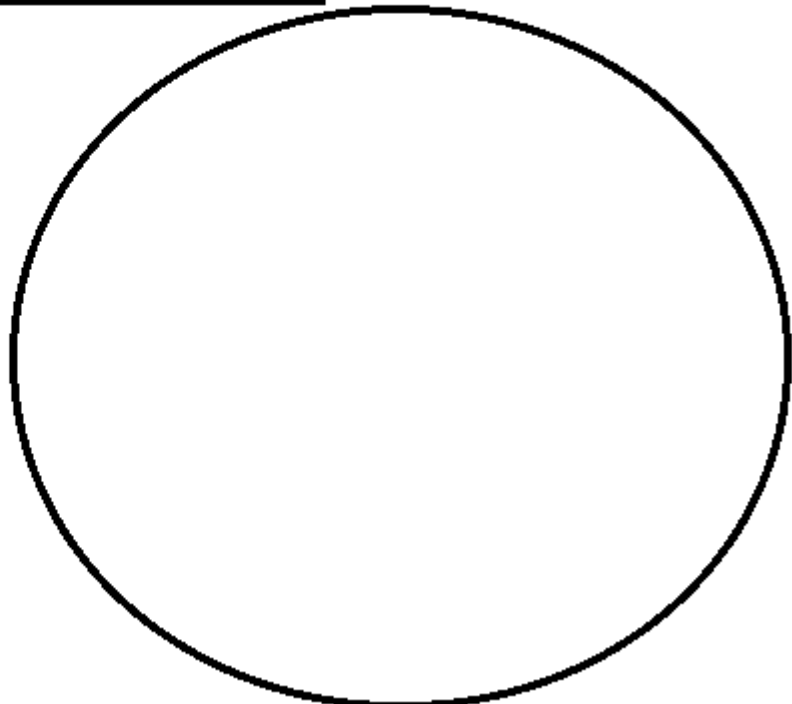
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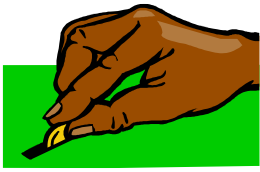
Here's an activity you can make to remind you of two things:

- Jesus is the Light of the World - he came to show God to people.
 - God wants us to let our lights shine by doing good things. Then we can also show God to people.
1. Choose one of the Bible verses above or this month's memory verse and write it boldly on the rectangle. (Try in pencil first so you make sure it fits in!)
 2. Decorate the rectangle and circle creatively. Make them bright and shiny to remind you of light! You could use glitter and glue, shiny stickers or just colour them in. Colour the flame in brightly as well.
 3. Cut the shapes out.
 4. Glue the rectangle onto a toilet roll and glue the flame onto the top of the roll to make the candle.



5. Tape the candle to the circle, which is the base.
6. Put your candle somewhere in your room or house to remind you that Jesus is the Light of the World and that He wants you to make your light shine as well!





World Champions... Give!

You can also be a World Champion by giving. If you would like to, you can ask an adult to help you send some money to us to send to Sandra and the OM team in Las Violetas in Argentina. This can help them to keep buying food for the children and old people.

Giving is not just money. How else can you be a World Champion and let your light shine to those around you by giving?



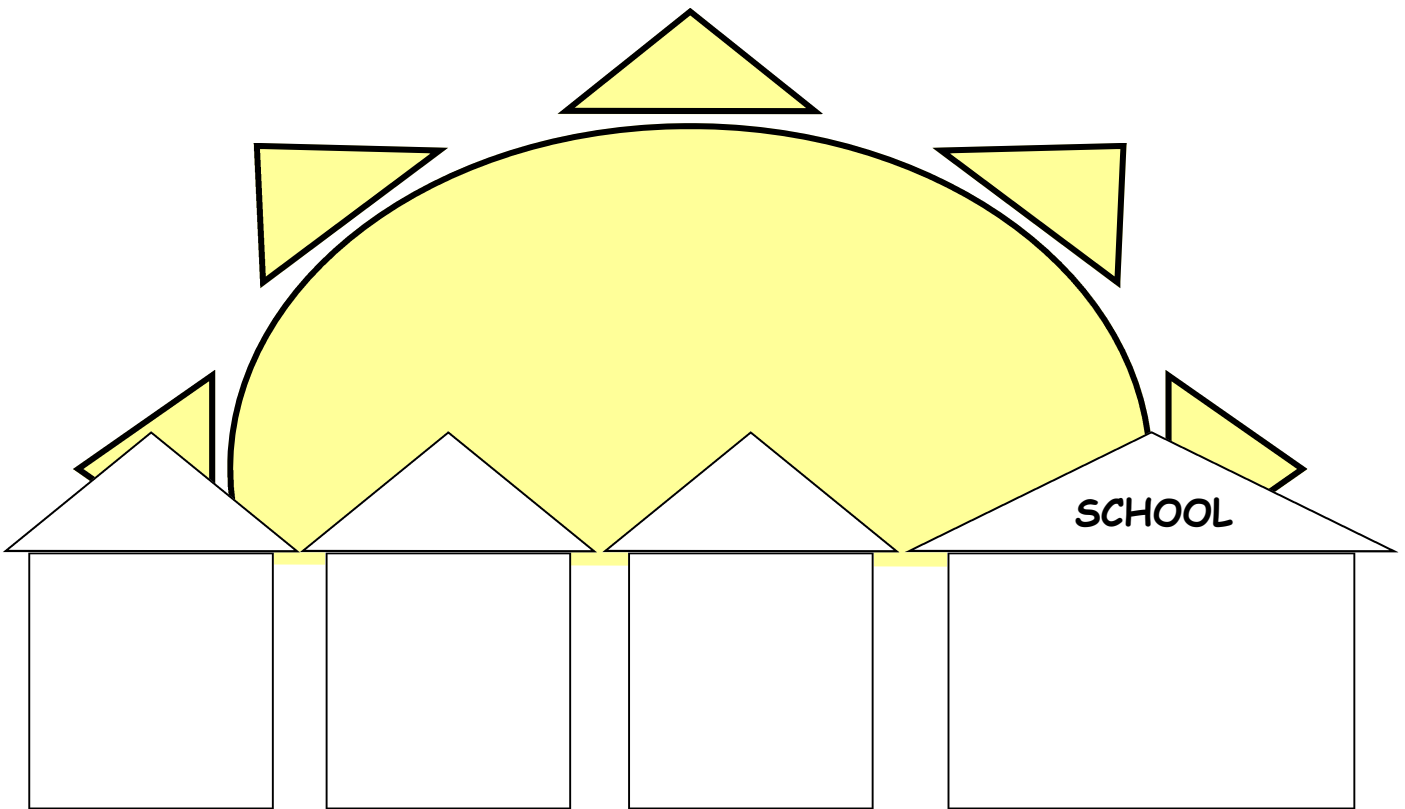
World Champions... Go for it!

Make your light shine. That doesn't mean keep all the lights on and waste electricity! It means do good things so that other people will see what God is like and praise Him.

The best place to start letting your light shine is where you live. That's what Sandra and the OM team are doing in Argentina. You may not be able to do all the things they're doing, but you can still let your light shine in your neighbourhood and school.

Use the picture below to help you think of ideas to make your light shine where you live.

In each house, write the name of someone who lives near you (or even in your own house.) Write some friends names in the school. Then in the sun, write or draw ways you can make your light shine to them.



'World Champions' is made by OM New Zealand, where we want people of all ages to be a part of the wonderful things God is doing around the world. Why not contact us and see how else you can get involved?

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