

World Champions

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

Country focus: China

Topic: Being brave for God

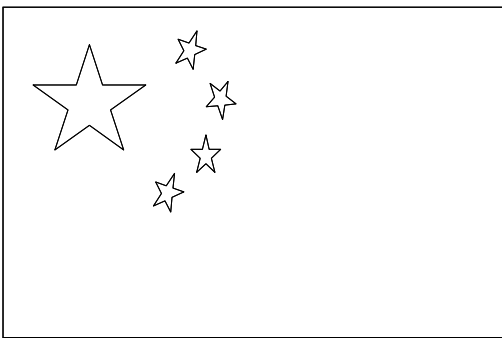
China is the third largest country in the world, with a population of over 1.2 billion people. This is about one-fifth of the world's population!

The government of China is communist, and they do not like people to believe in God. Still, millions of Chinese people are Buddhists or believe in their old tribal religions.

One exciting thing is that even though the government doesn't like it, more and more people are becoming Christians in China!

Bible reading:
Daniel 3:1-30

Read how three young men were brave for God, even when it meant they were sentenced to death!



Millions of Chinese Christians meet in secret to avoid going to jail. It can be very difficult sometimes to be Christian in China.

We can be World Champions and pray for Christians in China, as well as learning from them how to be brave for God!

Colour in the Chinese flag. The stars are yellow, and the rest is red.



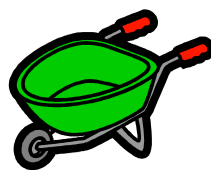
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When a Chinese child loses a baby tooth, it doesn't get tucked under the pillow for the tooth fairy. If the child loses an upper tooth, the child's parents plant the tooth in the ground, so the new tooth will grow in straight and healthy. Parents toss a lost bottom tooth up to the rooftops, so that the new tooth will grow upwards!

There is a tea in China called "White Tea". It's not very difficult to make—just boil water and pour it into a cup. That's all it is!

Which of these things was invented in China?

(Check the last page for answers)



Write 'Jesus loves you' in Chinese!

"Ye su ai ne" - Jesus loves you! Pronounce this phrase by saying "Yeah Sue Eye Knee!"

Learn to write this in the correct Chinese style and amaze your friends!

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Now write the whole thing!

Sunday School Arrests!

Imagine that you're at Sunday School with your friends one day. You're listening to your teacher tell a story, when suddenly you hear a loud banging on the door, and in storm a group of soldiers with guns!

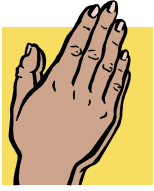
They arrest you and everyone else there, and throw you in jail for the night, just because you were at Sunday School!

Sounds crazy, doesn't it? Well, this is what happened to 25 children and five of their teachers in a village called Dongan in China.

They all spent one night in prison, and the next day the police warned them never to meet together to worship God again. All the children and four of the teachers were sent home, but the teacher who had been leading the Sunday School stayed in prison for 15 days.

Do you think they stopped going to Sunday school after that? Would you?

It's sometimes very hard to be brave for God.

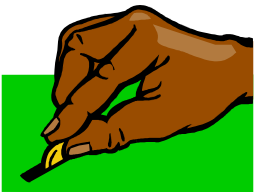


World Champions... Pray!

God uses our prayers. Even though it seems very difficult to imagine life in China for many Christian children, we can ask God to protect them and keep them brave for Him! We can also pray that God uses these children to show His love to the other children in China who don't know Jesus.

Here are some ideas to help you remember to pray this month:

- Next time you and your family eat Chinese food, remember to pray for the children in China when you pray for your meal.
- Look at the labels on your clothes and toys. You will probably find that many of them are made in China. Every time you put on clothes or start to play with toys that were made in China, say a prayer for the children there.
- Make a poster of the 'Jesus loves you' phrase in Chinese. Put it on your wall or fridge to remind you to pray when you see it.
- Tell children in your Sunday School class about the children who were arrested. Pray together for those children, and for all the other children who are in danger in China for going to Sunday School. Thank God that we are allowed to worship Him together in New Zealand.



World Champions... Give!

Find out if your parents or people in your church know anybody who works with children in China. You could save to give them a money gift to them to help them in their work.



Chinese boys doing a martial arts display

What about making some pictures or cards out of the 'Jesus loves you' in Chinese. You could give them to your family members and friends, and who knows, when they ask what it means, you could have a chance to be brave for God by telling them about Jesus!

Maybe there are some Chinese people in your school or neighbourhood. They may not know that Jesus loves them. By giving them a card, you could let them know in their own language!



World Champions... Go for it!

Sometimes we have to be brave for God as well. Other children may laugh at you when they find out you are a Christian. Some people may not even want to be your friend. But God is with us! Being brave for Him means doing what He wants, even if other people give you trouble for it.

Find the list of words below in the word-search. Some words show bad things people might do when they find out you love God. Colour them in red.

Other words show what we should be like to others because of God's love.

All the left-over letters in the word-search will spell out this month's memory verse, which should help you GO FOR IT and be brave for God no matter what others do!

- Bully
- Friend
- Give
- Help
- Ignore
- Laugh
- Love
- Point
- Polite
- Pray
- Rude
- Share
- Tease
- Tell
- Unkind
- Welcome

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 ----- 13:6
 (CEV translation)

Answer from page 1: All of them!



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