



ADVENTURE TO THE

Americas



HI, KIDS!
IT'S ME, KATE, WITH
MY BEST FRIEND, MACK.
TOGETHER WE TRAVEL AROUND
THE WORLD LEARNING ABOUT
DIFFERENT PEOPLE, LANGUAGES
AND CULTURES. AND TODAY
WE'RE INVITING YOU TO
TRAVEL WITH US TO THE
AMERICAS!

Throughout our Adventure to the Americas, you and your family will get to talk about the Bible, pray together, laugh and have fun! You'll learn fun facts about different countries, discover how to say "hello" in Spanish, learn how to make Brazilian lemonade and so much more. There will even be some activities that your family can do together!

We hope that your adventure with us is exciting and that, most importantly, it's a chance to learn about how much God loves all of his kids around the world, no matter where they live or what language they speak.

Did You Know?

Around the world ...

About **1.5 billion people** do not have the full Bible in their language.

At least **7,000 languages** are spoken or signed around the world.

At least **1,800 languages** still need a Bible translation started.

More than **700 languages** have a full Bible.

At least **1,600 languages** have a New Testament.



In the Americas ...

There are about **1,100** total languages across the **35** countries.

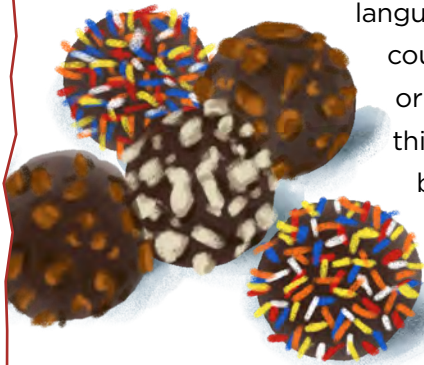
Approximately **120** languages are waiting for Bible translation to begin.

These languages represent around **2.4 million** people waiting to meet Jesus in their own language!

Family Focus

We live in the Americas, but there are a lot of countries included in the Americas (that's North, Central and South America combined) that we might know only a little about. What's one thing you can do today to learn about another country in the Americas? Maybe you can learn some phrases in Spanish (one of the common

languages spoken throughout countries in the Americas) or try a different food, like this delicious recipe for brigadeiros, a dessert from Brazil!



Brigadeiros

Ingredients:

- ✓ 3 tablespoons cocoa powder
- ✓ 1 tablespoon butter
- ✓ 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk
- ✓ Sprinkles or chopped nuts

Here's how you make it:

1. Combine all the ingredients (besides the sprinkles) in a saucepan, and cook on low heat.
2. Stir constantly for 10-15 minutes so that it doesn't burn!
3. When the mixture begins to boil, pay careful attention to the consistency — you want it to start firming up a bit.
4. Once the mixture is firm (you can test this by using your spoon to scrape through the mix and seeing if the cut holds its shape), it's ready.
5. Turn off the heat and pour the mixture onto a buttered plate. Then let it cool.
6. Once it's cool enough to touch, butter your hands and form bite-size balls from the mix. Then roll them in the sprinkles or chopped nuts, and enjoy!

"Hello" in Spanish –

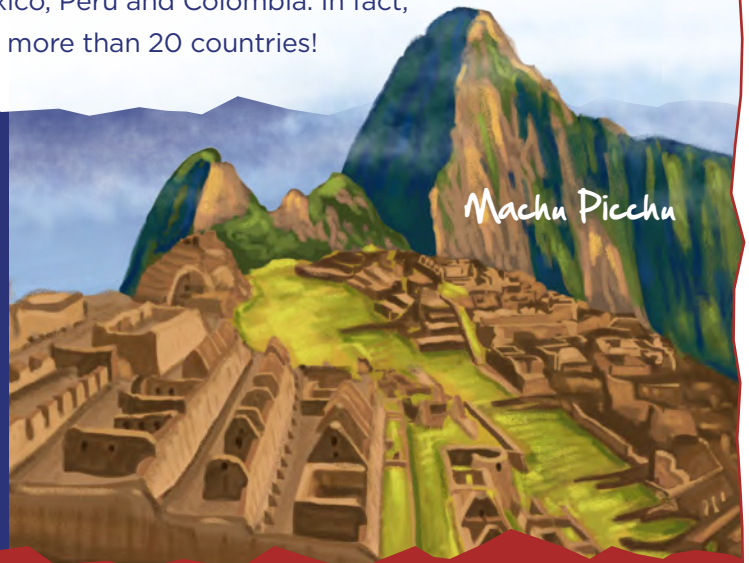
Hola

Spanish is spoken by people in a lot of different countries in South America including Mexico, Peru and Colombia. In fact, it's a main language in more than 20 countries!



Prayer Point

Pray for the American Sign Language community who just got the entire Bible in their language — the first complete Bible of any sign language in the world! As you pray for them, ask God to help translation projects for the more than 350 other sign languages used around the world that are still waiting for Scripture in a format that speaks to their hearts.



Machu Picchu

Fun Facts!

- 🌐 Peru is home to Machu Picchu, a famous ancient city in the Andes mountains built by the Incas.
- 🌐 A Mexican tamale called the zacahuil is three feet long and weighs about 150 pounds.
- 🌐 Brazil is the largest country in South America and is home to the Amazon Rainforest, the largest rainforest in the world!



zacahuil

Meet Matias

Language:
Wanca Quechua

Country:
Peru



HI, KIDS! MY NAME IS MATIAS, AND I LIVE IN PERU. MY LANGUAGE IS CALLED WANCA QUECHUA, AND WE HAVE THE FULL NEW TESTAMENT AND SOME BOOKS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT TOO!



There are around 100 languages in Peru, and many of them have at least part of the Bible. Isn't that great? In fact, there are only 15 languages that don't have any part of the Bible at all.

But it's not enough to have the Bible. You have to want to read it, watch it or listen to it. If you don't do that, you won't actually learn anything about Jesus. You won't get to know him better and understand how much he loves you. Just like a friend that you spend time with, you need to spend time with Jesus too! You need to talk to him, listen to him and learn what's important to him. And we get to do that best when we're spending time in the Bible.

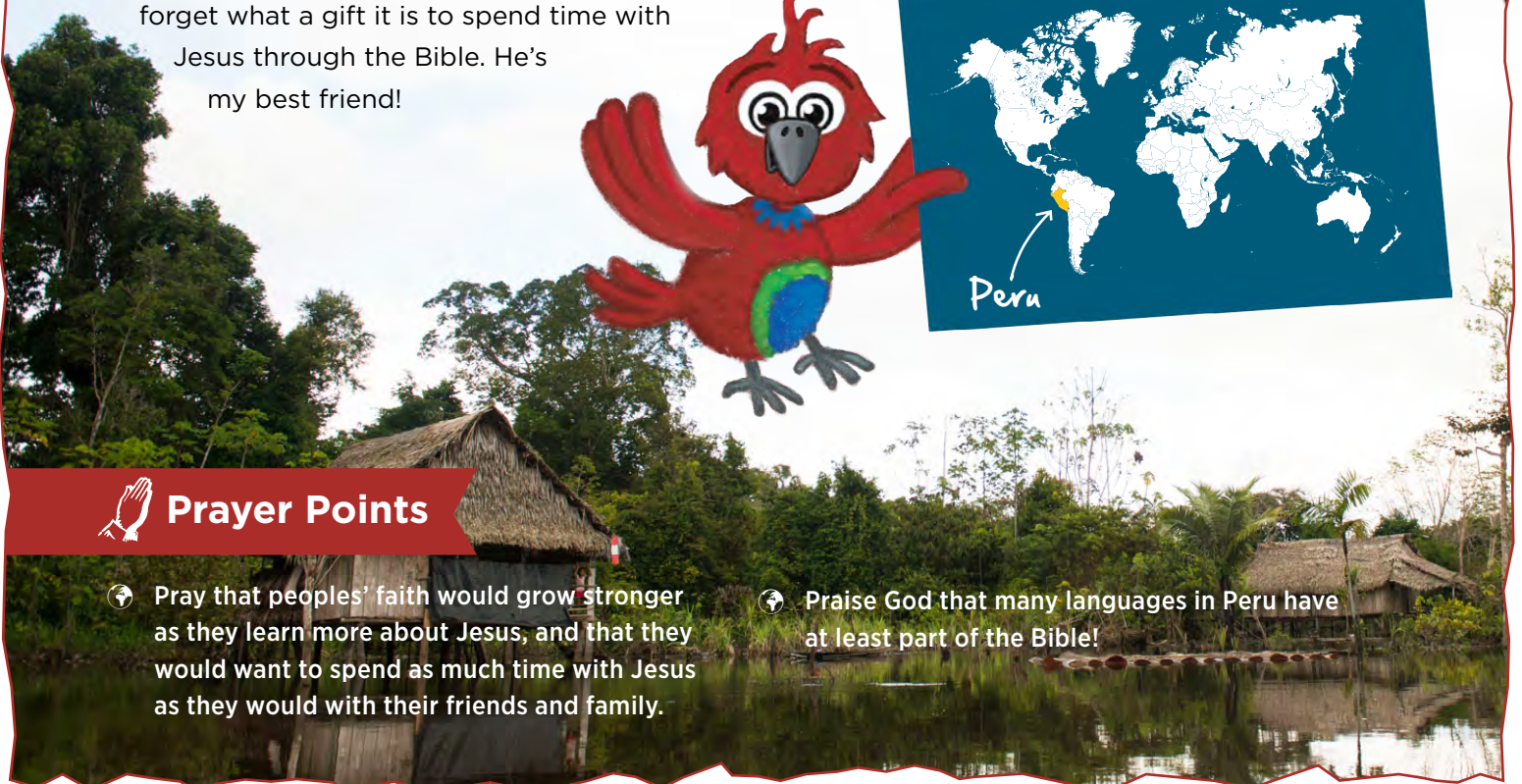
I'm so glad that I have the whole New Testament and some books from the Old Testament in my language. I hope that I never forget what a gift it is to spend time with Jesus through the Bible. He's my best friend!



Prayer Points

🌍 Pray that peoples' faith would grow stronger as they learn more about Jesus, and that they would want to spend as much time with Jesus as they would with their friends and family.

🌍 Praise God that many languages in Peru have at least part of the Bible!



Explore Peru's Scenery



Peru is a beautiful country filled with some amazing scenery. God must have had a lot of fun when he designed the world, and you can see a lot of his creativity in this country. Grab an adult and spend time looking up some of these places. There's so much to see and learn!

The Amazon Rainforest and Amazon River — Two-thirds of Peru is covered in tropical rainforest (even though most of the Amazon rainforest is in Brazil). Peru is also home to the five rivers that serve as the headwaters for the mighty Amazon River.



The Rainbow Mountain — Also called Vinicunca, the Rainbow Mountain is part of the Andes Mountains. And it literally is colorful like a rainbow!

The Atacama Desert — If you thought the Sahara Desert was the driest place on earth, think again! The Atacama Desert is in both Peru and Chile, and it's impossible for anything to grow there. In fact, the only thing that lives there is a microscopic organism that gets moisture from minerals instead of water.



Cerro Blanco — The highest sand dune in the world, Cerro Blanco, is over 3,800 feet tall. That's taller than the highest mountain in England!

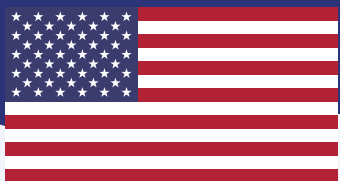
Cotahuasi Canyon — The deepest canyon in the Americas is 11,004 feet deep. That's nearly twice as deep as the Grand Canyon!



Meet Riley

Language:
American Sign
Language

Country:
United States



HI,
FRIENDS! MY
NAME IS RILEY, AND THE
LANGUAGE THAT I THINK IN,
DREAM IN AND PRAY TO GOD
IN IS AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE.
THAT'S BECAUSE I'M DEAF, AND
NOW I CAN FINALLY UNDERSTAND
THE BIBLE CLEARLY BECAUSE
I HAVE THE AMERICAN
SIGN LANGUAGE VERSION
(ASLV)!



In 2020, after 39 years of hard work, the ASLV was finished. This is the first full Bible* in any sign language — and there are more than 350 known sign languages around the world today! Now I get to grow up knowing and understanding how much God loves me because I'm able to see the Bible brought to life through sign language. Thank you, Jesus, for this amazing gift!

Now my hope and prayer is that more Deaf people would get the Bible in their own sign language, just like I have. There's so much work to be done! According to Deaf Bible Society, there are 70 million Deaf people around the world who use sign language as their first or only language. And only 2% have ever been introduced to the gospel. This needs to change — and it slowly is.

Every time I watch the ASLV, I'm reminded of the wonderful gift that the Bible is. I hope I never forget how special it is and that I'll always pray for people to get the Bible in a way that they understand too.

**This is based on the translation standards established by the Forum of Bible Agencies International. The American Sign Language Bible was completed by Deaf Missions in collaboration with partners like American Bible Society, Seed Company, DOOR International, Deaf Bible Society, Pioneer Bible Translators and Wycliffe Bible Translators USA.*



Prayer Points

🌐 Pray that more Deaf people across the United States would learn that the ASLV is complete! Pray that they would watch the Scripture videos and learn more about Jesus.

🌐 Pray that Deaf people across the world would learn about God's love in their own sign language. Pray that Bible translation would begin for all the sign languages around the world.

The Love of God in Sign Language

Deaf Americans now have the Bible in a language and format they can clearly understand — American Sign Language! What an exciting day it is when you realize that God not only loves you but knows your language too. Now Deaf Americans can understand the Bible in the language they think in, dream in and pray to God in. Thank you, Jesus!

To get a glimpse of what the Bible looks like in American Sign Language, visit deaf.bible with your family. Look up the American Sign Language Version (ASLV) and play your favorite verse or passage from the Bible to see what it looks like in ASL. As you watch, thank God that Deaf Americans now have the Bible, and pray for the many sign languages around the world that still need Bible translation.

Jesus

Loves

Me



Meet Felipe

Language:

Nadëb

Country:

Brazil



HELLO!
MY NAME IS
FELIPE, AND I'M FROM
A PEOPLE GROUP CALLED
NADËB. WE LIVE DEEP IN
THE AMAZON RAINFOREST
OF BRAZIL. AND I MEAN
DEEP - WE'RE ONE OF THE
MOST ISOLATED PEOPLE
GROUPS IN BRAZIL.



It takes a lot of hard work and time to reach our home. There are no roads, and paths can be very hard to find and follow. There are even parts of the rainforest that no one has ever been through before! But thankfully some missionaries named Rodolfo and Beatrice made the long, hard journey to find us and help us get God's Word in Nadëb.

Rodolfo and Beatrice wanted to help us know Jesus, so they worked for 16 years before they finished translating the New Testament. It was a great day when we got the New Testament in our own language!

There are only around 700 people who speak Nadëb today, but because we have the New Testament in our language, we can learn about Jesus. I hope people from every language in my country, and people around the world, will be able to learn about Jesus too. Everyone needs to know and understand Jesus' love for them, and I'm grateful that I have the New Testament in Nadëb.



Prayer Points

- 🌐 Pray that people in Brazil and all across the Americas would learn about Jesus in their own language.
- 🌐 Pray that more people would believe in Jesus and would tell their families, friends and neighbors about his love too.



Brazilian Lemonade

Brazilian lemonade is a delicious, sweet and tangy drink that you'll want to make again and again. The funny thing is it's actually made with limes rather than lemons!

The difference between Brazilian lemonade, or limonada suíca, and traditional lemonade is one key ingredient: sweetened condensed milk. You're also going to blend this drink with the lime peels still on. This drink is delicious!

Ingredients

- ✓ 4 juicy limes
- ✓ 4 cups cold water
- ✓ 1 can sweetened condensed milk*
- ✓ Ice to taste

**You can adjust the amount depending on how sweet you want the lemonade!*

Here's how you make it

- ✓ Wash your limes and peel two of them. Cut them into eight wedges and remove any white pith.
- ✓ Combine the lime wedges and water in your blender. Pulse for a few seconds (10 seconds maximum).
- ✓ Strain the juice through a fine-mesh strainer, pressing on the pulp to extract all the juice.
- ✓ Return the liquid to the blender and add the sweetened condensed milk. Blend until creamy and frothy.
- ✓ Add the ice and blend again until it's the consistency you want. Serve and drink immediately. Yum!

