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When was the last time you felt hungry? Did you go to the fridge and grab a snack? Or maybe you popped a frozen entree into the microwave? Even if you had to drive to a restaurant or the nearest drive-thru, you probably didn't have to go far or do much more than reach into a cabinet or pocketbook to satisfy your hunger. And that hunger pang probably wasn't all that strong. But around the world, here in the United States and beyond, true hunger is a serious issue that millions face every single day.

In the US, **49 million people struggle with not having enough food to be healthy.** Each day, people are making difficult choices like whether to pay their rent or buy food. Food doesn't always win. And 1 out of every 4 people in a soup kitchen line is a child.

This month, we have a chance to rally around the issue of hunger and help children and adults worldwide with **Global Hunger Relief** on Global Hunger Relief Sunday. On October 12, consider enlisting children in your missions groups to participate in a project to help battle hunger in your area. Using **bread banks** to collect money, gathering nonperishable items for a local food pantry, or volunteering in a shelter or soup kitchen are all ways to help in your own community and teach children to live missionally.

Running to Help



What does Pure Water, Pure Love and a 5K race have in common? Well, maybe not much, unless you live in Corner, Alabama. [Read more...](#)

What you said . . .

Last month we asked: What kind of training will your leaders receive this year? Here the results of that poll:

- 88% State WMU training event
- 3% Associational training
- 3% Church training for new leaders
- 7% None

This month we ask: Does your church participate in the Global Hunger Relief Offering (formerly the World Hunger Offering)? [Take our poll!](#)

We think you'll like . . .

[IMS 2014 Children's Teaching Guide: Ivory Coast](#)



This Month . . .

In October, **Children in ActionSM, Girls in Action[®], and Royal Ambassadors[®]** will learn about Indonesia, the world's third most populous democracy and the largest Muslim-majority nation. Children will meet missionaries who are serving in Indonesia. They will discover how Pure Water, Pure Lovesm is providing clean water to people in need around the world. Children will also be challenged to work together in the church to help others and to tell them about Jesus.



For Children in Action, Girls in Action, and Royal Ambassadors:

[I'm Going On a Gospel Hike](#)

[Komodo Dragon Chase](#)

[Indonesian Recipes](#)

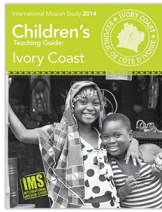
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Coming Next Month:

In November, children will be challenged "to have a Christlike concern for all people." First, they will learn about how Jesus interacted with His friends. They will then meet two chaplains who minister to police officers and veterans. Through these examples, children will learn what it means to be a friend.



This guide is designed for leaders teaching children who participate in this mission study on Ivory Coast. Each child taking the study needs a copy of the children's booklet. (W147101) \$13.99 [Order at **wmystore.com**](#) or call **1-800-968-7301**.

IMS 2014 Children's Booklet: Ivory Coast



This booklet is designed for children in grades 1–6 who participate in this mission study. Inside you'll find stories and activities about how children in Ivory Coast reach other children for Christ. (W147102) \$3.99 [Order at **wmystore.com**](#) or call **1-800-968-7301**.

Children's Missions Corner:

Over the past year, there has been a lot of celebrating going on here at WMU—the 125th anniversary of WMU and the 100th anniversary of GA. I must say that's pretty impressive, and milestones such as these deserve to be celebrated in big ways...the whole year long! [Read more...](#)

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