

Building H.O.P.E.

CHILDREN'S SERMON 2016



“Love others as I have loved you.”

-John 15:15

Guatemala

Begin by asking:

Why do you go to school? - *Suggest that we go to school to learn how to read.*

Ask:

Is it important to know how to read? What if your mom and dad could not read? What would happen? - *Suggest that street signs and food labels must be read. To understand the Bible, one must be able to read.*

Tell:

In a place called Guatemala, many people do not get the opportunity to go to school. The parents there can not read. They do not get to learn things from a teacher as you do. If a person cannot read, they cannot earn much money. The parents in Guatemala have to work very hard to earn a small amount of money. When a person in Guatemala learns to read they have a much better chance of getting a good job.

Our church is helping the people of Guatemala learn how to read! We send money to help pay the costs for school! The children and young adults who are being helped are grateful for our concern. God wants us to help them. When the students get older they can help others in their city as well! I am glad we go to a church that helps others in their time of need!

Main Idea:
An education makes a
persons life better

Prayer: Lord, we are grateful for our teachers and for our free public education. We ask that you bless the students who are being sponsored in Guatemala. We lift up the families there and ask that you strengthen their homes. We ask that you help our children understand how fortunate we are to have teachers in our lives who help us learn about your world. In Christ's name, Amen.