Love Him Love Them
Teaching Guide to partner Love Him Love Them ministry in Haiti with any VBS Resource

Options and information for incorporating us into your planned VBS!

We are so excited to partner with you for your VBS program! We pray that your children will be inspired to Love Him and Love Them this week! We have two options designed for you to easily incorporate us into your planned VBS. Please read the information below. You can pick which option works best with your church’s needs.

Option 1: This incorporates a 5 minute video to help your children SEE and EXPERIENCE Haiti. Your children will learn about what life is like in Haiti and how God is leading the ministry Love Him Love Them. If you have booked the Love Him Love Them Orphan choir, you will make your mission experience come alive! Your children will learn from these same kids, who can come to your church! You will learn about the orphanage, their customs and more. If your church is partnering with us for offering and donations, the videos will help children understand why they are giving to Love Him Love Them. This video option works great during your whole group session, usually at the beginning or end of your VBS.

Option 2: This option goes deeper into teaching children about Haiti and what God is doing there. You receive ALL the benefits of Option 1 as described above, in addition to fun lessons and activities to further teach your children about missions and Haiti. This option works great as the mission rotation for your VBS! You will have impactful and fun mission lessons for your kids! Pairing this option with choir booking is the ultimate missions’ experience! Contact bookthechoir@LoveHimLoveThem.org if you haven’t already.

We can’t WAIT to join you as you teach children to Love Him and Love Them!
Love in Action Project and Pick up Information:
At the end of each mission lesson, there is included a Love in Action Project. The Love in Action Project provides opportunities for children to use what they are learning about children and ministries in Haiti, and put their love in action as they donate or give items to Love Him Love Them. We will provide a sample letter you can send home to help parents know about the upcoming Love in Action Projects.

If you decide to participate in the Love in Action Projects, below we have easy options for you to get your donations to us. We are so excited for how God is going to use the items your children have given! We will work with YOU on pickup and delivery. These are some ideas we have:

1. We can pick up items as we travel.
2. You can have a fun delivery party where people bring the items to us.
3. Booked the choir yet?!? We can pick up items when we come to your church with the Orphan Choir.
4. Have another idea? Contact us at VBS@LoveHimLoveThem.org

Offering and Financial Information:
Send one check for all offerings collected. Make checks payable to Love Him Love Them. Mail the check to Love Him Love Them at 485 Capri Pt., Lavonia, GA 30553. Please include a note stating it is from your VBS offering. Thank You!

Decorating Ideas:
There is a guide provided for decoration ideas. These ideas can help you if you want to set up your mission area, hallways, or worship center with decorations to look like the kids are visiting Haiti.

Getting Ready for the Mission Rotation:
- Study the lessons. Allow Him to teach you as you study beforehand what you will teach the children.
- Pray for the children that will enter this rotation. Pray that God will teach them through you.
- Gather Supplies
- Decorate your room to look like kids have traveled to Haiti. We can provide you with a decorating guide with tips you can use as you decorate.
- We can send you a parent letter to use as you inform parents about the Love in Action Project.
- The “bold” text is a scripted guide given to help you know what to say as you teach the lesson. Read over and adjust as you feel God lead, but we hope this helps you prepare and teach your lesson.
If you would like to wear a Love Him Love Them T-shirt this week, go to the store at LoveHimLoveThem.org.

Add to and adjust lessons to meet your church’s needs.

There are coloring sheets provided that have been drawn by other children and youth who help Love Him Love Them ministry. You may use these sheets during your rotation time, or leaders can use the sheets as needed during any rotation where there might be extra down time. Children can take the color sheets home at the end of the day’s VBS.

Questions or need more information?
Contact us at VBS@LoveHimLoveThem.org or visit our website at www.LoveHimLoveThem.org. Thank you.

We are here to help you as you minister to children. Please contact us if you need support. Thank You!

We would love your feedback! When you finish teaching this curriculum, please go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LW2VXMG to complete a short survey. Thank you and God bless!
Day 1

Option 1, approx 5 minute plan:
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 1-approx 5 min, parent letter for Love in Action Project

“Do you know who God is? God is your Creator and He loves you. God created ALL people everywhere. He loves you and each person He created, all over the world. There are some people, who, because of their love for God, are showing love to people in Haiti. Do you know where the country of Haiti is? Let’s watch this video to find out about where Haiti is and begin to learn about a ministry that helps in Haiti.” Watch video- Mission Video Day 1-approx 5 min. “We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for the people in Haiti to know God’s love.”
*Please send the Love in Action letter home today for parents to know about the money and/or flip flop donation.

Option 2, approx 20 minute plan:
This option works great as a mission rotation.
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 1-approx 5 min, gift bag with a pair of flip flops inside, rocks or items as listed in lesson for children to walk on, parent letter for Love in Action Project

Introduction:
“God created ALL people everywhere. He loves you and each person he created, all over the world. There are some people who, because of their love for God, are showing love to people in Haiti.”

Video:
“Do you know where the country of Haiti is? Let’s watch this video to find out about where Haiti is and begin to learn about a ministry that helps in Haiti.” Watch video- Mission Video Day 1-approx 5 min.

Lesson:
“Children in Haiti do not live the same way as we do here in America. Many children do not have shoes, food, running water, and so much more that we take for granted. Let me ask you a question...What is something that you really want and would be very excited to receive?” Wait for responses and show a gift bag with hidden flip flops inside. Then tell them ... “Years ago, when Love Him Love Them first went to Haiti, they went to an orphanage where they gave...” as pull out flip flops.
“Flip Flops! The children were so excited to be given flip flops! Those children had been praying for shoes. God used Love Him Love Them to show His love that day when they gave the shoes to the children.”

Game/Activity:
“Let’s play a game as we think about what it would be like to live in Haiti.”
Children will take off their shoes then go to the opposite side of the room or area. In the area between the children and their shoes, adults will place small river rocks, blocks, or other items to provide a rough walking experience. Place rocks close together to prevent the risk of falling. Children will walk the rough path to get their shoes. This can be done as a relay race or can be adapted to the age and size of the group.

After Activity:
“In Haiti, the ground is very rocky which makes it hard to walk, just like the items made it harder for you to walk across.”

Love in Action:
“Here’s a way you can love them! We want you to wear flip flops to VBS tomorrow that you will give to the children in Haiti. You will leave the flip flops you want to give here for us to collect, and you can go home barefoot that night (or bring shoes if your parent would rather) as a reminder to pray for the children in Haiti. When you give, you are showing God’s love. When you bring shoes, you are helping the children protect their feet and you are giving them something they not only want, but need.”

Closing and Prayer Time:
“We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or the items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for the people in Haiti to know God’s love.” Please lead the children in prayer.

Extras:
Materials: pencils, construction paper, scissors, crayons
If time allows, have students trace around their foot or shoe on a piece of construction paper and cut it out. Then the children can draw or write, depending on the age ability, things they want to pray about. Guide them, especially the older children, to pray for the children in Haiti as well as the ministry and needs there. Display the cutouts or encourage children to take their cutout home and display it as a reminder to pray for the people of Haiti and Love Him Love Them ministry.

*Please send the reminder/Love in Action letter home today for parents to know about the money and/or flip flop donation.
Day 2

*Decoration Tip: If you previously set up your room with decorations resembling Haiti, add trash items to your “river” and around the room (cups, spoons, napkins, etc). Haiti is polluted with trash. You can explain that many children go through the trash to find items to use for their toys.

Option 1, approx 5 minute plan:
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Video- Mission Video Day 2, parent reminder for Love in Action project

“Yesterday, we talked about how God is your Creator and He loves you. Did you know that God showed His love for you by sending Jesus? God sent Jesus so that whoever believes in Jesus, as their Savior, can be saved from their sins. Everyone has sinned. That means me, you, the children in Haiti, and children and all people all over the world. Everyone has sinned, but we will learn more this week about how Jesus is our Savior. Sin separates us from God and makes us dirty, but Jesus washes us clean. Let’s watch a video today to learn more about what life is like for the children in Haiti.” Watch video: Mission Video Day 2. “I hope you enjoyed learning what life is like for the children in Haiti. We can be thankful for things we have. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for Love Him Love Them as they help meet the needs of the people in Haiti.”

*Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or soap donation.

Option 2, approx 20 minute plan:
This option works great as a mission rotation.
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Video- Mission Video Day 2, dirty item, bar of soap, game time activity options-see below, parent reminder for Love in Action project

Introduction:
“Yesterday, we talked about how God is your Creator and He loves you. Did you know that God showed His love for you by sending Jesus? God sent Jesus so that whoever believes in Jesus, as their Savior, can be saved from their sins. Everyone has sinned. That means me, you, the children in Haiti, and children and all people all over the world. Everyone has sinned, but we will learn more this week about how Jesus is our hope. He is our Savior. Sin separates us from God and makes us dirty, but Jesus washes us clean.”

Show dirty item(s) such as dirty dish, dirty towel, dirty shoe, etc. Use a dirty cup to show the outside as clean, but the inside as dirty. This can help children think of how our outside might be clean, but our inside dirty with sin. “Do you think these are clean? What should I do to make them clean?” Allow time for responses. “Just like we are dirty when we sin, many of our things get dirty and they need to
be cleaned. How can we be clean from sin? How can I clean these dirty items? Does anyone like doing chores like washing dishes or washing clothes? Well, let’s watch today’s video from Haiti to learn more about how kids in Haiti do some of their chores.”

Video:
Watch Video- Mission Video Day 2
You can ask questions and discuss what children saw in the video. You can also tell the children that the kids in the video did not have the shower and water cistern before the ministry Love Him Love Them helped them.

Game/Activity:
“Let’s play a game as we think about what it would be like to live in Haiti.”

Game options: pick the one that best fits your needs
Water relay
Materials- 2 buckets of water, 2 cups, towels for clean up (or blue construction paper balls)
Have children form 2 teams. On one side, have a bucket with water. On the other side, have an empty bucket. Have a cup for children to dip into the bucket with water. The children will line up between the buckets, so that they can pass the cup down the line from the bucket with water to the empty (for now) bucket. The child closest to the water bucket will dip the cup into the water and then give it to the person beside him in line. Each team player will pass the cup down the line until the person at the end of their line pours the cup into the empty bucket. You can do this for 2-3 minutes, but set a time limit. When the time is called, the team with the most water is the winning team. Another way you can do this activity is to have the water bucket a few feet away and children form a line on the opposite end. They will then take turns going to the water bucket and filling their cup and returning to empty the cup’s water into their team’s empty bucket. Once everyone for the team has gone, the leader can see who collected the most water as the winner. * Want to play but not use water? Try crumpling up pieces of construction paper to be “water” as you pass it down the line.

Basket Relay-
Materials- Basket or Bucket, small items for relay
Have children form 2 teams. Place items on the other side of the play area. Children will walk with the basket or bucket on their head. When they get to the items, they will place one item in the basket/bucket and bring it back to the group. If items are heavy, have children take the item out of the basket when they return to the group. Then, they will hand the basket to the next person in line to do the same activity. Once the entire team is back, the team finished first is the winner.

After Activity:
“In Haiti, children work hard to help their family with chores. Many children carry heavy buckets every day with water or other items needed for the day.”
Love in Action:
“Here’s a way you can love them! Most people in Haiti do not have running/clean water and soap to clean with to stay healthy. We want you to bring soap to VBS tomorrow that you will give to the children in Haiti. As you bring your soap, remember to pray for the children in Haiti. When you give, you are showing God’s love. When you bring soap, you are helping the children stay healthy and clean.”

Closing and Prayer Time:
“We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or the items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for Love Him Love Them as they help meet the needs of the people in Haiti.” Please lead the children in prayer.

* Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or soap donation.

Extras:
Make a Washcloth Bunny
After you have collected soaps, you may do this extra activity to send to the children in Haiti. Children can also give the craft to others in your community.

Materials:
Per child: Washcloth and soap, two eyes, rubber bands, a large cotton ball for tail and a pom for nose, glue or glue gun, ribbon

Directions:
First, place soap bar at one of the corners of the washcloth. Place it far enough from the edge so that one of the corners can fold up over top of it. Roll it up in the wash cloth until you can fold the opposite end over the top. Glue that end down with glue or glue gun. Once the end is glued down, gather the two sides and place rubber bands around them. Separate those two sides so they fall on each side of the soap bar. Now you have the ears! Next, add your eyes and nose to make a face. Then, add your cotton ball or pom to the back end to make a tail. Last, add a bow to hide the rubber band and your cute washcloth craft is finished.

Challenge children to give their craft to someone as they show God’s love.
Day 3
Option 1, approx 5 minute plan:
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 3, parent reminder for Love in Action project

“Yesterday we talked about how Jesus is our Savior. Isn’t that wonderful? That is good news! We want to share the good news with everyone all around the world. Love Him Love Them shares the good news of Jesus being our Savior. Let’s watch another video from Haiti.” Watch video Mission Video Day 3 “Just like Love Him Love Them ministry tells people about Jesus, we can tell others about Him too! Let’s pray for the people in Haiti as they learn more about Jesus. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti.”

* Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or toothpaste/toothbrush donation.

Option 2, approx 20 minute plan:
This option works great as a mission rotation.
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 3, treat for children (skittles or M&Ms if want to teach the plan of salvation using some of the colors), parent reminder for Love in Action project

Introduction:
“Yesterday we talked about how Jesus is our Savior. Isn’t that wonderful? That is good news! We want to share the good news with everyone all around the world. Love Him Love Them shares the good news of Jesus being our Savior. Let’s watch another video from Haiti.”

Video:
Watch Mission Video Day 3
“Just like Love Him Love Them ministry tells people about Jesus, we can tell others about Him too! How can you tell others about Jesus where you live?” Have a discussion with the children of ways they can share Jesus.

Lesson:
“When someone has good news, they like to tell their family and friends. We have the best news; Jesus came to be our Savior! There are many people in the world that have never heard about Jesus. Many people in Haiti do not understand that Jesus came to be their Savior. If we don’t share about Jesus and God’s love to people, they won’t hear the good news.”
Have a volunteer go out of the room, with adult supervision. Give other children a treat - candy/sticker/etc. When you give them the treat, tell them, “Jesus loves you.” See if someone notices all children got a treat except the child that is outside of the classroom.

“How can we give it to ___? Can we throw it to him/her? No, we have to go to him/her.” Then allow a child to go get the child and give him/her a treat. “We must GO to people and TELL them about Jesus.”

Optional to use with candy- teach the Plan of Salvation with the colors as children eat their treat. See information about what the colors represent in the extras activity.

Game/Activity:
Play freeze tag. One child is chosen as “it”. The other children run in a designated area to try to not get tagged. When a child is tagged, they must freeze until another child comes up to them and says, “Jesus loves you.” Play as time allows.

After Activity:
“When you were tagged, you needed rescuing. We all need rescuing. Who came to rescue us from sin? Jesus! Wasn’t it nice for someone to unfreeze you by saying, “Jesus loves you.”? We need to help rescue people in this world by going and telling them about Jesus.”

Love in Action:
“Here’s a way you can love them. We want you to bring toothpaste or toothbrushes to VBS tomorrow, for the children in Haiti. As you bring the toothbrushes and/or toothpaste, remember to pray for the people in Haiti to learn more about Jesus and to tell others about what they have learned. When you give, you are showing God’s love. When you bring the toothpaste and/or toothbrushes, you are helping the children stay healthy.”

Closing and Prayer Time:
“We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or the items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for the people in Haiti to learn more about Jesus.” Please lead the children in prayer.

Extras:
Make wordless books to learn and share the plan of salvation with others.
Materials: stapler, scissors, construction paper colors- yellow, green, black, red, white
Cut the papers to the desired size. You can make small booklets to save on paper usage.
Have children order the papers as you teach them what the colors represent. Then, a leader can staple the booklet for each child. The children can use the books as they share God’s love with others.
Black is for our sins.
Red is for Jesus dying for our sins.
White is for how Jesus washes us clean when we ask him to forgive us.
Green is for how we grow in our relationship with God.
Yellow is for Heaven.

Challenge children to give their craft to someone as they share Jesus using their wordless book.

* Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or toothpaste/toothbrush donation.
Day 4
Option 1, approx 5 minute plan:
Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 4, parent reminder for Love in Action project

“Yesterday, you saw a little of how Love Him Love Them is sharing God’s love in Haiti. One thing the people in this ministry are doing is they are helping children who are orphans. An orphan means that a person’s mother and father are no longer living. These orphans have no other family, so they live in a place that is called an orphanage. These children are all different ages. Some may have a brother or sister with them; some are related to no one in the orphanage. The children from the orphanage are learning more about Jesus being their Savior too, just like you. These children sing songs to God. Let’s watch another video about Haiti and the orphans in the Love Him Love Them Haiti Orphan Choir.”

Watch- Mission Video Day 4. “These children, who lost it all, have more than they need because they have Jesus. Let’s pray for the children in the choir and for the people who will hear them sing this year. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. The items for tomorrow will help the choir when they are in America. They need many things for the house where they stay when they come to the United States. Thank you for helping them this week.”

* Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or choir house donations.

Option 2, approx 20 minute plan:
This option works great as a mission rotation.
Materials: Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 4, CD player or some device to use to play music, worship song, chairs, parent reminder for Love in Action project

Introduction:
“Yesterday, you saw a little of how Love Him Love Them in Haiti is sharing God’s love. The people in this ministry are helping children who are orphans. An orphan means that a person’s mother and father are no longer living. These orphans have no other family, so they live in a place that is called an orphanage. These children are all different ages. Some may have a brother or sister with them; some are related to no one in the orphanage. The children from the orphanage are learning more about Jesus being their Savior too, just like you. These children sing songs to God. Let’s watch another video about Haiti and the orphans in the Love Him Love Them Haiti Orphan Choir.”

Video:
Watch- Mission Video Day 4
“These children, who lost it all, have more than they need because they have Jesus. All anyone needs is Jesus.”

Lesson:
“When you know God’s love for you, you want to worship and praise God. How do people praise God? One way people praise God is through music. The choir will travel singing as they are praising God. When do you praise God? When should we praise God?” Have children see that they can praise God anywhere, not just at church. “When did people in the Bible praise God?” Discuss examples like David, Paul in prison, etc. “We should praise God when we are happy or when we are sad, because we know He loves us and He is God.”

Game/Activity:
“Let’s praise God while we play.”
Play a worship song during the activity. You can order the Love Him Love Them CD online if you would like to use the choir’s songs. There is a song entitled, “Every Praise,” that the choir sings or you can use any song they sing. Then, play musical chairs. Place chairs in a circle with one less chair than children and start the music as children walk around the circle. After a short amount of time, pause the music; the child not in a chair will be out. Have a designated area the children who get out will sit to keep order during the activity. Remove another chair and then start the music again. Continue playing until there is a winner. Have children sing praises along with the music while they walk. You can also play a song while passing a ball or similar item, and play “Hot Potato” during the praise songs.

Love in Action:
“Here’s a way you can love them! The items you can bring tomorrow will help the choir when they are in the United States. Just like you need certain things at home to help your family, the children need these things at the house where they will stay while traveling on the choir tour. Here are some things they need: laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, Clorox wipes, toilet paper and paper towels.”

Closing and Prayer Time:
“We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. You can show God’s love this week as you bring an offering or the items throughout the week for the ministry in Haiti. Let’s pray for the children in the choir and for the people and churches they will sing at this year.”
Please lead the children in prayer.

* Please send a reminder home today for parents about the money and/or choir house donations.

Extras: Make musical instruments to use as you sing praise songs to God.
Choose which instrument you would like to make: Kazoo/Drum/Tambourine

Make a Tambourine/Maraca (paper plate)
Materials: Paper plates, dry lentils, markers and crayons, stapler, optional- hole punch and ribbon
Directions:
Put a handful of lentils on a paper plate. Fold the plate in half and staple the edges closed. Next, decorate the plate and begin to shake as you play to the beat of your favorite songs. You can hole punch areas around the edge and tie ribbon to add more decorations to your instrument.

Make a Kazoo
Materials: Toilet Paper Rolls, paint/markers, wax paper, rubber bands
Directions:
Decorate toilet paper roll using paint or markers. Then, cut a square of wax paper and wrap it over the end of toilet paper roll and secure with a rubber band. Let the kids hum or sing into them and make music to their heart's content.

Make a drum
Materials: clean round container like a coffee can or aluminum can, balloons, electrical tape or masking tape, rubber bands (optional)
Directions:
First, stretch the balloon around the can. Use your fingers to open the balloon up and expand it so it fits over the top of the can. Next, lay another balloon flat on the hard surface. Do not blow it up; you want to use a limp balloon. Using scissors cut small holes into the balloon. Holes do not need to be uniform or perfect, as they are more for decoration. Then, stretch the cut up balloon on top of the balloon on the can. Double layering the balloons will make the drum more durable, and the holes on the top layer will add a fun decorative effect. Lastly, wrap tape around the can to secure the balloons. Enjoy!
You can also use rubber bands and simply place them around the can to keep the balloons attached. You can add more weight to the drums by filling the container up with a handful of rice or dry lentils before you stretch the balloon on the top of the container. Make drum sticks out of pencils and tissue paper or simply use your hands to drum along to your favorite song.
Day 5
Option 1, approx 5 minute plan:

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Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 5

“This week you have learned a lot about Haiti and the ministry Love Him Love Them. God is using Love Him Love Them ministry to help people in Haiti and in other places in the US and around the world. Let’s watch our last video to review what we learned and to see what God is continuing to do in Haiti.” Watch Mission Video Day 5. “We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. Thank you for showing God’s love to those in Haiti this week. Let’s pray a special prayer today for all of the money and donations we have given to Love Him Love Them. Let’s pray that God will use these things to bring other people to know God’s love. You can continue to show God’s love by sharing His love with others. Let’s stay on mission for God as we Love Him and Love Them.”

Option 2, approx 20 minute plan:

Materials: Projector/TV, computer/DVD, Mission Video Day 5

Introduction:
“This week you have learned a lot about Haiti and the ministry Love Him Love Them. God is using Love Him Love Them ministry to help people in Haiti and in other places in the US and around the world. Let’s watch our last video to review what we’ve learned and to see what God is continuing to do in Haiti.”

Video:
Watch Mission Video Day 5

Lesson:
“When God tells us to do something, we need to do it. Some people know what to do, but they don’t do it. Have you ever known your parents wanted you to do something, like clean your room, but you didn’t want to, so you didn’t? Well, God tells us to show His love to others. Sometimes He tells us to help others and tell others about Him, but we choose not to do it. We need to obey God. When we follow Him, we will have a joy that only He can give us.
Can you think of people in the Bible who did what God asked them to do?” Discuss these and others briefly: Abraham, Noah, Moses at first didn’t want to obey, but then they did.
“God has told some people to work in Haiti. Love Him Love Them is ministering in Haiti because they are following God’s lead to do what He has asked them to do.”

Game/Activity:
“Let’s play a game as we think about following God.”

Choose from these ideas: Follow the Leader, Simon Says, Mother May I, Red Light Green Light
All of those games show how you must listen or watch and then do as directed.

Another game idea is Love Charades. Children will show how they follow God through loving others.
Children will take turns acting out ways they can show God’s love as the other children guess what is being acted out. Have ideas prepared with ideas children can easily act out.

After Activity:
“As you spend time with God, He will begin showing you more and more what He wants you to do. He will guide you. How do we spend time with God?…When God tells you to do something, obey Him. When we love God, we will want to obey Him and it will bring us joy.”

Love in Action:
“Thank you for the things you brought for the children in Haiti. Now, think of ways you can share God’s love with others. How can you continue to show God’s love to people who live near you? How can you continue to show God’s love to others around the world? Follow God’s lead and obey Him.”

Allow time for children to share their ideas.
*Encourage children to put their love in action at home and in your community. Children can be challenged to continue to show God’s love. Leaders and children can write down what they want to do next to show God’s love to others.

Closing and Prayer Time:
“We can love others in this world because of the love that God gives us. Thank you for showing God’s love to those in Haiti this week. Let’s pray a special prayer today for all of the money and donations we have given to Love Him Love Them. Let’s pray that God will use these things to bring other people to know God’s love. You can continue to show God’s love by obeying who God tells you to serve. Let’s stay on mission for God as we Love Him and Love Them!”

Extras:
Materials:
“Let’s play a favorite game of kids in Haiti as we think about what it would be like to live in Haiti.”
Children in Haiti love to play the game Jacks, but they use rocks. Show students how to play jacks, using rocks, and then let children play as time allows. Another favorite game children can play is jump rope.
Don’t let it stop here! Pray about how God is leading your church to continue to teach your children to Love Him and Love Them! We are praying with you!! God Bless!
Dear Parents,

We are so excited to have your child join us this week in Vacation Bible School. We are learning about God’s love and how we can show love to others. We have partnered with the ministry, Love Him Love Them. This ministry, founded in NE Georgia, helps share God’s love to people in Georgia, Haiti and the Ukraine. This week, children will be learning about missions in Haiti and have a chance to put what they are learning in action. Throughout the week, children can bring an offering that we will send to help God’s work in Haiti, or they can also bring in donations listed below. We would love for you and your child to participate this week through giving and through prayer, as we learn to Love Him and Love Them!

**Day 2, Flip Flopping Lives:** Wear a pair of Flip Flops to VBS and go home without them. That’s right! Kids will leave their flip-flops at VBS to be sent to children in Haiti who have no shoes. They will go home barefooted like children in Haiti to remind them to pray for the children in Haiti (or they can bring a pair of shoes to wear home-parent preference).

**Day 3, Saving Soap:** Bring a bar of soap. As your child brings the soap, you can remind them how we need soap to keep our bodies clean, but Jesus is the only way to clean us from our sin. As they use soap this week, have them remember to pray for the people in Haiti to know Jesus.

**Day 4, Tooth-tastic Gifts:** Bring toothpaste or a toothbrush. As your child brushes his/her teeth this week, remind them to pray for the ministry as it continues to tell others about Jesus. As a family, talk about how you can tell others about Jesus.

**Day 5 House Warming:** Please choose from some of the needed items for the home the choir children will stay in while they are in the United States: Laundry Detergent, Dishwashing liquid, Clorox wipes, Paper Towels, and Toilet Paper. Pray for the choir as they travel to churches in America.

**What’s Next?** As a family, pray God will help you share His love with others. Decide on your next family project as you show His love to others. You might go to your neighbor or help a mission in your community. Whatever you do, do it for Jesus.

Thank you for helping your child as they learned to Love Him and Love Them this week!

God Bless,
Your VBS leaders and Love Him Love Them

Mission Coloring Sheets

These coloring sheets have all been drawn by children and students helping the ministry Love Him Love Them.

Mission Rotation Day 1, Where is Haiti?
Color Sheet 1: In this color sheet, there is pictured a “tap-tap”, a common source of transportation in Haiti. Point out to children God’s beautiful creation in this drawing of Haiti.
Color Sheet 2: Pictured is an outline of Georgia and Haiti. Inform students that Georgia is the state where Love Him Love Them ministry is located. Discuss where Haiti is located in relation to where they live.

Mission Rotation Day 2, What is life like for children in Haiti?
Color Sheet 3: This color sheet includes a drawing of Haiti, as it gives a glimpse of daily life for children. This sheet has hidden items included for extra fun.

Mission Rotation Day 3, What is God doing in Haiti?
Color Sheet 4: This color sheet shows a drawing of a child that lives in Haiti. God wants us to tell all people everywhere about Him.

Mission Rotation Day 4, Why do these kids sing?
Color Sheet 5: Included on this sheet is the logo for Love Him Love Them and an image a student created to show how Love Him Love Them helps others.

Mission Rotation Day 5, What else is God doing in Haiti?
Color Sheet 6: On this sheet, children can draw their own ways to show love to others.
Color Sheet 7: This sheet is an extra sheet for coloring.
Draw ways you can show God’s love to others.
Stage Design

Use overhead projector or free hand mountain designs onto RMax insulation board or luan board. Brace to stand using 2"x4" along the back. Paint using different shades of green or use tiny squares of tissue paper glued onto board for texture.
Stage Design Details

Cut poles from Bamboo or PVC pipe (paint) – use side braces and top braces using screws covered with twine. Use RMax board for roof and cover with grass skirting.

Banana Trees - use carpet tubes or large pvc pipe - cover with brown lunch bags or green craft paper. Make base from plywood and make round pedestal then screw to base. Slide carpet tube over pedestal and screw at the base. Cut leaves from green craft paper and support leaves using coat hangers and slide pool noodle down inside the carpet tube. Or use styrophone ball at the top of the carpet tube and use skewers for leaf braces into the styrophone ball. Make bananas out of yellow party plates.
Classrooms and Hallways

Use Banana Trees and smaller huts in hallways and classrooms. Also, cut plastic tablecloths on a roll and hang from ceiling grid for large impact in hallways.

Make lots of fake rocks everywhere!

Make with newspaper, shaped and taped – then painted with stone spray paint or bed liner in automotive. Also, you can use great-stuff on wax paper and spray paint.

Make vines from brown postal paper for doorways and openings
In addition to the suggestions given already, you could also include a river or pretend water source. Furthermore, you can add washtubs and buckets around the room or stage to show how children use these items to collect water, wash dishes, wash clothes and more. Also, you could add a clothesline and/or fire pit to give more visuals of Haitian life.

We hope the ideas in this decoration guide will help your children “see” and “experience” Haiti. Have fun decorating!