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CHICKENS, BEANS AND BIG *dreams!*



MAMA NGUYO'S *amazing* CHICKENS!

Far away in a place called Kitui, Kenya, the land has rolling hills and dirt roads that lead to small villages. Sometimes, the land is green and full of plants, but most of the time, it is dry and hard to farm. This can make it very difficult for families to grow food and have enough to eat.

In one of these villages lives a kind woman named Mama Nguyo. She is a mother of seven children and works very hard to take care of them. One year, something very bad happened—huge swarms of locusts, tiny jumping insects, came and ate many of the crops! Mama Nguyo worried, “How will I feed my family?”

But then, something wonderful happened! Through Church World Service, Mama Nguyo received three special gifts—three little chickens! She took great care of them, making sure they had food and a safe place to sleep. Soon, her three chickens became 20! She even saved enough money to buy a rooster.

With her chickens, Mama Nguyo was able to sell eggs and baby chicks at the market. The money she made helped her buy food for her children and even new chairs for her home. She also used the chicken’s waste to help her garden grow better.

As she showed her chickens to visitors, she smiled and said, “I am happy and doing so well.”

Because of a few small chickens and a little help, Mama Nguyo was able to make a better life for herself and her family.

Discussion Questions:

- 1) How did the chickens help Mama Nguyo and her family?
- 2) Have you ever seen how something small—like a tiny seed—can grow into something big and important?
- 3) How can we help others like Mama Nguyo in our own communities?



SONG: MAMA NGUYO GOT 3 CHICKS

to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell"

Verse 1:

*Mama got three chicks, Mama got three chicks,
With love and care and kindness,
Her flock it grew so big!*

Verse 2:

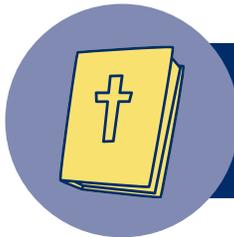
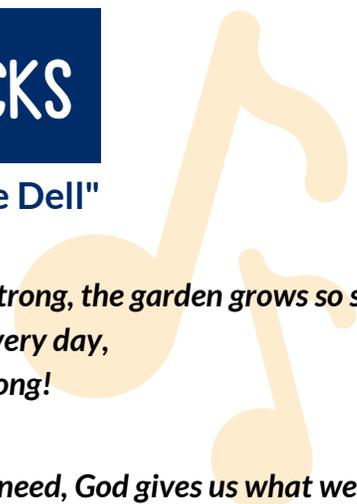
*The eggs were sold around, the eggs were sold around,
She bought some food and comfy chairs,
Great joy her family's found!*

Verse 3:

*The garden grows so strong, the garden grows so strong,
The chickens help it every day,
Now food will last so long!*

Verse 4:

*God gives us what we need, God gives us what we need,
To share and care and help someone,
And plan a loving seed!*



MEMORY VERSES

Micah 6:8

*God has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.*

Proverbs 11:25

*The generous will prosper;
those who refresh others
will themselves be refreshed.*

Hebrews 13:16

*And do not forget to do good and to share
with others, for with such sacrifices God is
pleased.*



KIDS' CRAFT

thumbprint chicks

Materials:

- White Paper
- Yellow Paint
- Orange & Black Markers
- OPTIONAL Googly Eyes

Instructions:

Give each child a blank sheet of paper.

Have them put their thumb in the yellow paint and use it to make several thumbprints on the paper.

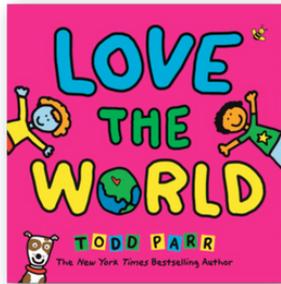
Once the thumbprints dry, use the orange marker to draw and color in a triangle for the beak and the black marker to draw the legs and eyes (or glue two googly eyes on instead).

Optional: hang the finished projects with the children's names around the CROP Hunger Walk display at church. Have a "donate to vote" on who made the cutest chicks.



RECOMMENDED READING

PreK



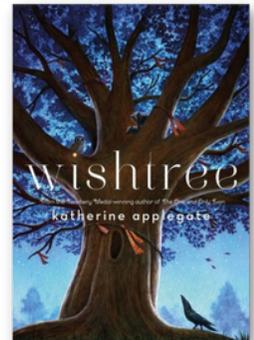
"Love the World"
Written & Illustrated by Todd Parr

Early Elementary



"The Rhino Who Swallowed a Storm"
Written by LeVar Burton
& Susan Schaefer Bernardo
Illustrated by Courtney Fletcher

Late Elementary



"Wishtree"
Written by Katherine Applegate



WALK WITH CROPWICK

CROPWICK

Your CROP Hunger Walk Companion

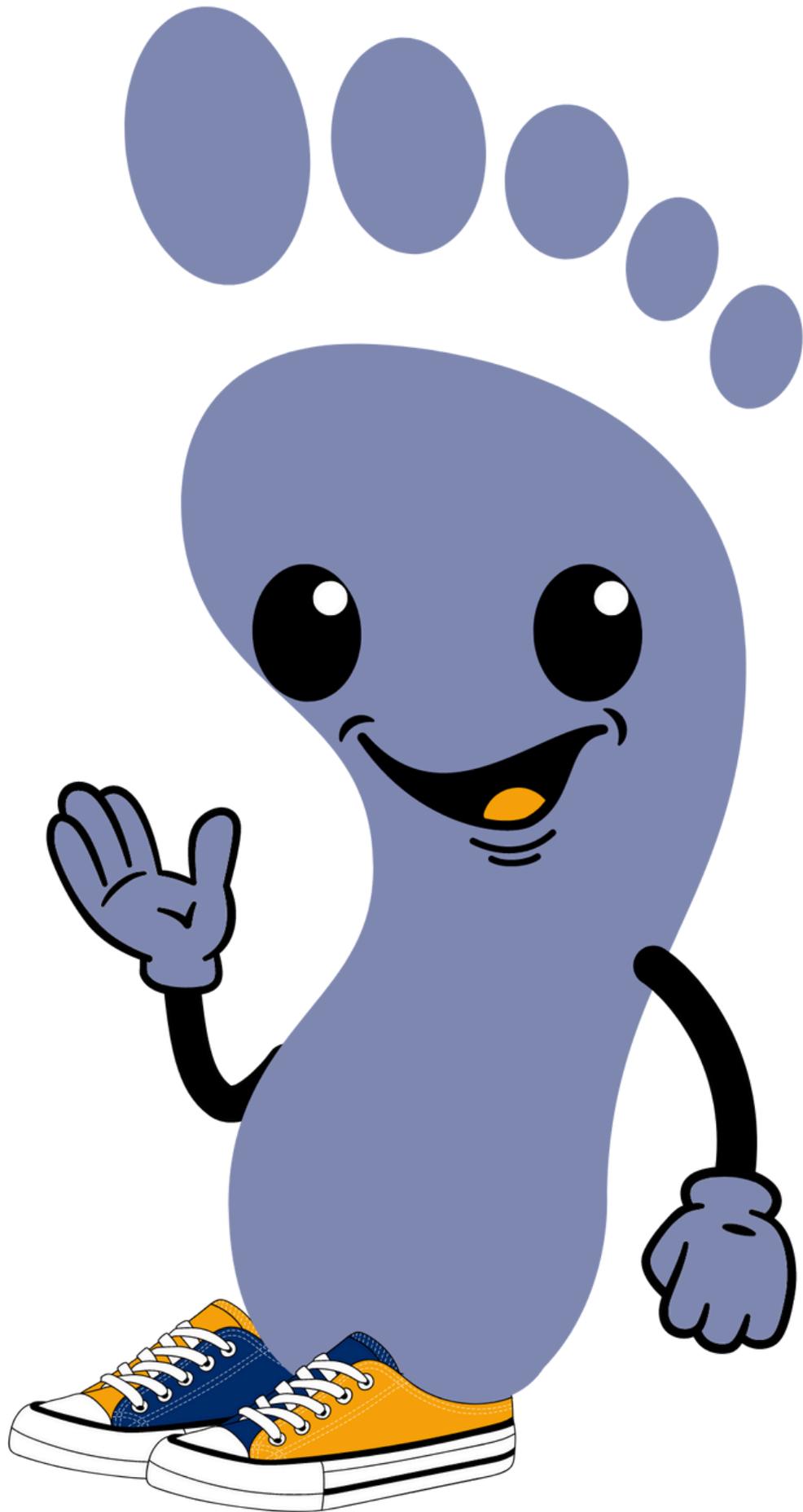
CROPwick is YOUR CROP HungerWalk ambassador and Walking Buddy! He loves joining walkers across the country to add to the fun and see how many places he can walk each year!

CROPwick truly cares about the needs of our most overlooked neighbors - and hopes you do too - so he's always happy to chat about that while on a CROP Hunger Walk.

Print and cut-out CROPwick and affix him to a popsicle stick, a straw, paint stirrer, ruler... really however you'd like to display him, and take some photos of him with you when you walk in the CROP Hunger Walk!

Use hashtag #CROPwick and #CROPHungerWalk to connect with other CROP Hunger Walkers across the country taking their Walk with CROPwick!





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