

Audio Prayerwalk Experience



Stories of God at work among the Deaf

Leader Guide

Introduction

As a leader, you'll be guiding students through the International Mission Board's audio prayer experience where they'll encounter real stories of faith while engaging in guided prayer. This interactive journey combines audio storytelling, photography, and personal prayer time. The total experience time is about 15 minutes.

What to expect:

This experience includes two true stories from real people about how the gospel of Jesus changed their lives. For their security and privacy, we changed their names in these stories. Each story is paired with photographs displayed around the space. The audio will guide the students through the experience, providing natural pauses for prayer and reflection.

Preparation

1. Before the experience
 - a. Ensure the audio devices are charged and working properly.
 - b. Designate a quiet area for the experience and post a "Do Not Disturb" sign.
 - c. Arrange the posters in sequential order (as indicated on each poster) on a wall, leaving sufficient space between each one to accommodate groups of students gathering to view them.
 - d. Prepare the students by explaining the purpose and format of the experience. Encourage them to really engage with the prayer times.
 - e. Determine how many Fast Facts resource you will need so that each student can get one after the prayer experience, and plan how you'll distribute them (e.g. table or handout).
2. During the experience
 - a. Encourage students to stay near the corresponding photographs when listening to a story.
 - b. Remind them to listen for the gentle music cue, which signals when it's time to move to the next photo station.
3. After the experience
 - a. Encourage students to grab a Fast Facts resource to take with them.
 - b. Consider having a follow-up discussion with the students after the experience so they can reflect on what they learned and discuss how they can apply it to their lives.
 - c. Be available to answer questions and provide guidance as needed.



Important notes on the content

Akello and Naiyana are Deaf, and voice actors speak their inner thoughts. When they communicate with others, the narrator voices the scene.

Due to the intensity of some elements in Naiyana's story, consider caution for students under 10 years old. They can choose to leave after Akello's story if needed.

By following these guidelines, you'll be able to create a meaningful and engaging experience for your students, helping them connect with the stories and deepen their faith.

