

Eliza Broadus Offering for State Missions

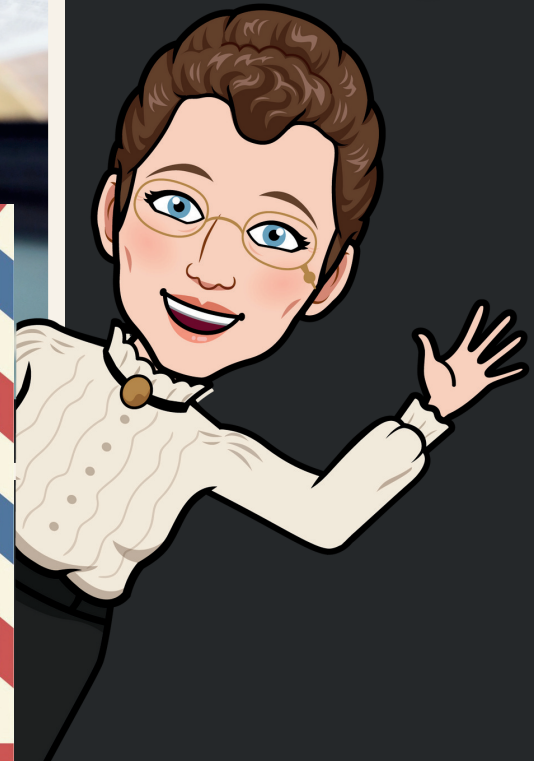
# PRESCHOOL



2024-2025  
THE GOSPEL AT  
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## “Bread of Life” ESL

Preschoolers will learn how God uses believers at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church to share the gospel with their neighbors in Louisville.



# Preschool Mission Study

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“Return home and tell how much God has done for you.” So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him. Luke 8:39 NIV

**Bible Thought: We want to tell people about Jesus (See Acts 4:20).**

## Study Overview

The members of Ormsby Heights Baptist Church in Louisville provide two ministries to their Hispanic and Congolese neighbors. The church received an Eliza Broadus Offering Ministry Grant. Through the “Bread of Life” food pantry, Ormsby Heights gives non-perishable food items as well as fresh vegetables and meats to their neighbors. “Bread of Life” has opened doors to share the gospel. Some international neighbors have started attending worship services at Ormsby Heights. Members of Ormsby Heights realized that many of their neighbors receiving food wanted to learn English. Last year, Ormsby Heights “stepped out in faith” and began an ESL (English as a Second Language) COFFEE ministry. ESL/COFFEE stands for “Community of Friends Focused on Effective English.” They offer three classes: a survival class, a beginner’s class, and an intermediate class. A snack or meal is served. Volunteers build relationships. A specific biblical truth is shared each week. The lessons relate directly to God, His love, His creation, His plan, His provision, and our purpose. Ormsby Heights has expanded the ministry to offer two semesters in 2024. Bobby Meredith, Community Outreach Pastor at Ormsby Heights, says, “The smiles and joy of the people going through this class are truly humbling and are such an encouragement to our church.”

## Session Goals

- Preschoolers will learn about the ESL and food pantry ministries of Ormsby Heights Baptist Church.
- Preschoolers will learn that God loves people who speak another language.
- Preschoolers will learn that God wants us to help others and share about His love.

# Preparation

Consider the audience you will teach with this Mission Study. Your goal is to help preschoolers engage in missions serving, missions discipleship, missions giving, and missions praying as a result of your time together.

Set a goal for your church offering. Challenge church member to give sacrificially. Use multiple avenues for disseminating the information about the office and any events your church will have to share the stories celebrating the life transformation that occurs through these ministries.

Decide on a time to gather for the study. Publicize in your church, community, or association. Invite those attending to bring a Bible. Order Week of Prayer material from [kywmu.org/ebo](http://kywmu.org/ebo). You will want to order enough Prayer Guides and envelopes for everyone who will attend the Mission Study.

Read the Mission Study and make sure you are familiar with the content.

Pray for those who will attend.

Be prepared to pray for missionaries at the event. You can find the missionary birthdays in the Missions Mosaic magazine available from [wmustore.com](http://wmustore.com). You can also find their names listed online by visiting [wmu.com/prayercalendar](http://wmu.com/prayercalendar). Kentucky Baptist Missionaries can be found at [kybaptist.org/interseed](http://kybaptist.org/interseed). Plan a time during your Missions Study to pray for the missionaries serving around the world.

## BEFORE THE EVENT:

- Display a map of Kentucky.
- Print the phrases, “Jesus loves you” and “Jesus’ te’ ama” on a white board or chart paper. Check the internet for Spanish pronunciation.
- Prepare a snack and drink. Post the allergy chart.
- Download from [wmustore.com](http://wmustore.com): *I Like to Go to Church / Me gusta ir a la iglesia*
- See each Learning Activity for preparation and supplies.
- Search online for a video of “Jesus Loves Me” in Spanish (Cristo Me Ama.) Practice the song before the session.

# Session Plans

## OPENING ACTIVITY

Say: Hola! That means “Hello” in Spanish. (Lead preschoolers to repeat.) Today we will learn how a church that speaks English is helping families who speak Spanish learn to speak English. This will help parents get a job and go to the grocery store. A church in Louisville teaches English to people who are new to our country. (Point to Louisville on the map.)

## STORY TIME

Juan and Isabella were excited! They were on their way to learn English at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church. Their mom and dad wanted their whole family to learn English so they could talk to people in their new community. They came from a country that speaks Spanish.

“Hola!” Juan and Isabella shouted as they ran into the classroom.

“Hola!” Mr. Merideth replied. “I’m so glad you’re here! Our volunteers will teach you to speak English. Maybe you can teach us Spanish.”

Mr. Merideth pointed to the words on the chart and said them. (Point to and say “Jesus loves you, Jesus’ te’ ama. Invite preschoolers to repeat the phrases several times.)

The children at the English class learned how to count in English. (Lead preschoolers to count to 10.)

They learned how to introduce themselves. “Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_.” (Invite preschoolers to introduce themselves.)

After the English lessons, the families were invited to a meal at the church.

“Would you like to come to our church on Sunday to hear more about Jesus?” Mr. Merideth asked Juan and Isabella’s parents.

“Si!” they all answered with smiles.

Pray: Thank you, God for this food. Help the helpers at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church to help their neighbors. Serve a snack.

Ask preschoolers the following questions:

Why did Juan and Isabella’s family go to Ormsby Heights Baptist Church?

What did Mr. Merideth ask them at the meal?

What could you tell a friend about Jesus?

## LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Direct each child to one of the following activities: COFFEE Class, Bread of Life Food Pantry, My Church, or I Like to Go to Church. Decide how you will direct the preschoolers: Will each child choose an activity or will the child be directed to an area? It would be best if a teacher could lead at each area. If you only have 2 teachers, then each teacher can move from activity to activity engaging children. Another option is to move as a group to each area. Choose what is best for your situation. Questions and comments are included under each area to help lead conversation.

### Homeliving- COFFEE Class

Preparation: Print on cardstock and cut apart “Color Words.” (See resources with this lesson.)

Provide paper coffee cups, coffee stirrers, and a non-breakable coffee pot.

Pretend to pour coffee into each preschooler’s cup. Say: Helpers at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church meet with people from other countries at a coffee shop. Helpers teach people English. As they learn English, they can learn stories about Jesus.

Say: We can learn Spanish. Help preschoolers match the English Color Words to the Spanish Color Words. Turn all color words over and direct the preschooler to choose two at a time or leave the Spanish words up and turn the English words over. You might also play, “I Spy” using Spanish words.

### Building-Bread of Life Food Pantry

Preparation: Gather canned food, empty food containers, play produce, and boxes or grocery bags. Cut circles out of cardboard and decorate to resemble steering wheels.

Say: Ormsby Heights Baptist Church gives food to people from other countries at the “Bread of Life” food pantry. Families drive to the church. Helpers give them boxes of food.

Invite preschoolers to take turns being the neighbors who drive to the church for food while others box and give the food.

### Art-My Church

Preparation: Print the Bible thought, We want to tell people about Jesus (See Acts 4:20) on a piece of drawing paper, one for each child. Provide coloring materials.

Say: The people at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church want their neighbors to learn about Jesus. What do you want your neighbors to know about Jesus?

Give preschoolers drawing paper. Direct them to draw themselves and their friends going to church.

Books- I Like to Go to Church

Read “I Like to Go to Church,” English and Spanish version. Point out the Spanish and English words.

#### CLOSING

Say: People in churches in Kentucky give an offering to help other churches teach English. This offering is called the Eliza Broadus Offering. The money can also be used to help people with food and clothing. When people receive help, they learn how much Jesus loves them!

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Pray for the people who are learning English at Ormsby Heights Baptist Church.

Review: What language did Juan and Isabella speak? What language did Mr. Meredith teach them?

Sing “Jesus Loves Me.” Show preschoolers the “Cristo Me Ama” video. Lead preschoolers to sing “Jesus Loves Me” in Spanish.

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