2020 AiG VBS Assembly Scripts

**Day 1: Hennrick - Haiti**

Slides and videos for this section are on the DIGITAL RESOURCES.

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt” slide

As we spend this week at *Mystery Island* seeking out more about who God is, we are also going to be learning about some of the greatest treasures he created—people!

Each day of VBS, we’re going to meet a girl or boy in a different part of the world who is one of God’s treasures. We’re teaming up with Children’s Hunger Fund to help children, like the ones you are going to meet, whose families don’t have enough food to eat, and who don’t know Jesus.

The best part? You get a chance to help them!

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt - Hennrick” slide

Are you ready to get started? [Pause for participation.] Great! Today, we’re going to meet a little boy in the country of Haiti. His name is Hennrick.

SHOW: Video 1 – Hennrick

Child’s Name: Hennrick

Country: Haiti

Problem: Natural Disaster

Hennrick’s family wasn’t always poor. Before the earthquake, his life didn’t look a whole lot different than yours. Now he’s living in a tent, and he doesn’t always know when he will get his next meal. But as you just saw, there is hope for Hennrick and his family! A pastor brought Hennrick’s family a Food Pak from Children’s Hunger Fund. He told them about Jesus and how much he loves them. Hennrick learned that he is very special to God.

Do you want to help kids like Hennrick? [Pause for participation.] Great! This week at VBS, we’ll be going on a treasure hunt to collect coins in these Coin Paks [show Coin Pak]. Take this home today and tell your family and friends about Hennrick. Ask them to help you collect coins for meals. It only costs 25¢ to provide a nutritious meal for a hungry child.

These meals will be packed into a Children’s Hunger Fund Food Pak, which is a box with about 20 pounds of nutritious food inside. That’s enough to feed a family of four for about a week.

Each day this week, bring back any coins you’ve collected, and we’ll count how many meals you’ve given so far. With your help, we can deliver hope to suffering families all over the world.

PRAYER JOURNAL: Give each child the “Hennrick” Prayer Journal page to take home. (Included on the Digital Resources.)

DISTRIBUTE COIN PAKS: Send each child home with a pop-up Coin Pak. (Sturdy, pop-up Coin Paks are available for purchase from Children’s Hunger Fund at ChildrensHungerFund.org/AnswersVBS. Printable Coin Paks are included on the Digital Resources.)

**Day 2: Nimah - Guatemala**

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SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt” slide

This week for our mission project, we are going on *The Great Treasure Hunt*. Together, we are hunting for coins to provide meals for suffering children all over the world.

Have you started your treasure hunt yet? [Pause for participation.] Fantastic! Remember, one meal costs just 25¢. The coins you put into your Coin Pak mean meals for a hungry child.

Walter has been all over the world searching for treasure, and he has more stories to tell about the places he’s been, the treasures hidden around the world, and the people he’s met.

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt – Nimah” slide

Today, we’re going to meet a little girl from Guatemala named Nimah. Do you remember Hennrick from yesterday’s story? He wasn’t always poor, but Nimah has always lived in poverty.

SHOW: Video 2 – Nimah

Child’s Name: Nimah

Country: Guatemala

Problem: Generational Poverty

Nimah has never known a life outside of the garbage dump. Her family has lived there for generations. Unless things change for Nimah, someday her kids will live there, too. This is called generational poverty. When a local pastor delivered a Food Pak from Children’s Hunger Fund, Nimah learned about Jesus and how God has a plan for her.

The coins we’re collecting this week will be used to provide food for families like Nimah’s. For the first time, Nimah has hope that she will be able to go to school someday and break the cycle of poverty.

Now, do you want to hear how many meals we’ve raised so far? [Pause for participation.] Well, we’ve counted the coins you brought in and we’ve raised \_\_\_\_ meals! *(Remember, one dollar provides 4 meals. To calculate your VBS meal progress, multiply the dollars raised by 4.)*

SHOW: “Daily Count Day 2” slide with current meal count filled in

But *The Great Treasure Hunt* isn’t over yet! You can keep bringing in coins all week long! Tell someone about Nimah’s story and how you are working to help children like her all around the world. Ask your parents if you can do a special chore to earn money for your Coin Pak.

PRAYER JOURNAL: Give each child the “Nimah” Prayer Journal page to take home. (Included on the DIGITAL RESOURCES.)

**Day 3: Binsa - Nepal**

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SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt” slide

All right, treasure hunters! Are you ready to meet up with Walter to continue searching for treasure? He’s got another of his adventures to share with us and another child for us to meet.

Remember, we’re raising coins to provide meals for children in need all over the world. Children’s Hunger Fund will send Food Paks to churches all over the world, where they will be delivered right to the door of someone in need. But they don’t stop at delivering food; they will also tell the families about Jesus!

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt – Binsa” slide

Who knows where the country of Nepal is located? [Pause for participation.] Well, today Walter will introduce us to a little girl named Binsa, who lives in the country of Nepal.

SHOW: Video 3 – Binsa

Child’s Name: Binsa

Country: Nepal

Problem: Injustice

Binsa’s life doesn’t seem very fair, does it? She works so hard to help her family, but it never seems to be enough. After working all day long, they still don’t even make enough money to buy food. Most days, they feel powerless and hopeless. When a pastor brought Binsa and her family a Food Pak, he also shared with them about Jesus, who offers hope.

The coins you place in your Coin Paks will help children like Binsa. Can’t you just imagine how she must feel, learning that there are people who want to help her and a God who loves her? That’s pretty amazing, right? Well, the coins you are collecting can have a part in all of that.

Did anyone ask their parents if they could do a chore to earn money for their Coin Pak? That’s great! There are so many ways to raise money for your Coin Paks! Maybe you can set up a lemonade stand or sell some of your old toys at a garage sale. Talk to your parents about other ways you might be able to raise money for meals.

Now, do you want to hear how many meals we’ve raised so far? In only two days, you have raised \_\_\_ meals! (*Remember, one dollar provides 4 meals. To calculate your VBS meal progress, multiply the dollars raised by 4.*) That’s pretty fantastic!

SHOW: “Daily Count Day 3” slide with current meal count filled in

That’s a lot of meals and a lot of kids who are learning about a God who loves them! But you know what? I know we can raise even more meals, so keep up the good work!

PRAYER JOURNAL: Give each child the “Binsa” Prayer Journal page to take home. (Included on the DIGITAL RESOURCES.)

**Day 4: Tavi - Romania**

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SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt” slide

We’ve been raising meals for kids all week with our Coin Paks, and you are doing great! Who remembers how much it costs to provide one meal for a hungry child? [Pause for participation.] That’s right! Just 25¢! So how many meals can one dollar provide? [Pause for participation.] You got it! 4 meals! What about ten dollars? [Pause for participation.] That’s right! 40 meals!

In a few minutes, we’ll find out how many meals you’ve raised so far. But first, we’re going to travel deeper into the cave with Walter!

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt – Tavi” slide

One of Walter’s treasure hunts took him to a country called Romania. That is where he met a little boy named Tavi.

SHOW: Video 4 – Tavi

Child’s Name: Tavi

Country: Romania

Problem: Orphan

Tavi and his friends look out for each other because there were no adults to take care of them. That must feel scary and lonely, right? For someone who felt like no one cared about him, how do you think Tavi felt when he learned that God loves him and cares for him? [Pause for participation.] Right! That probably felt amazing!

Kind of like Walter’s headlamp helps him see in dark places, we know that Jesus is the light in the darkness, too. Thanks to the pastor that spoke to him, Tavi now knows that he is a precious child of God!

Well, we have had a few days to raise meals for kids just like Tavi. Are you ready to be blown away by how many meals we’ve raised so far? [Pause for participation.] I don’t think you sound excited enough. Are you ready to find out how many meals we’ve raised? [Pause for participation.] That’s better! In just three days, you have raised \_\_\_ meals! *(Remember, one dollar provides 4 meals. To calculate your VBS meal progress, multiply the dollars raised by 4.)* That’s incredible!

SHOW: “Daily Count Day 4” slide with current meal count filled in

Remember, that number doesn’t just mean meals. That number means another chance for a child to learn about Jesus, and that is the greatest gift that we can give. The coins you are collecting can help make that possible!

PRAYER JOURNAL: Give each child the “Tavi” Prayer Journal page to take home. (Included on the DIGITAL RESOURCES.)

**Day 5: Max - United States**

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SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt” slide

Well, today is the last day of *The Great Treasure Hunt* adventure! We’ve learned a lot about treasure hunting and where treasures can be found all over the world, but we’ve also met some amazing people, right? Are you as excited as I am to find out how many meals we’ve raised? [Pause for participation.]

Walter has one more very important tip for us about treasure hunting; he also has one more child for us to meet. Today, we’re going to meet a boy named Max.

SHOW: “The Great Treasure Hunt – Max” slide

At first glance, you might not think Max looks like he’s living in poverty. He lives in a house right here in the United States.

SHOW: Video 5 – Max

Child’s Name: Max

Country: United States

Problem: Invisible Poor

Did you know that you are a treasure to God? [Pause for participation.] Well, you are! And so is Max!

Max and his family are known as invisible poor because it’s not easy to see that they are living in poverty. Max’s closest friends may not even know.

Isn’t it great to know that there is a way you can help kids like Max? Don’t you think they should know that they are a treasure to God?

When a church learns about a family in need of food, they deliver Food Paks from Children’s Hunger Fund – Food Paks like the ones your coins will help to fill! Each time the church visits a home with a box of food, they have a chance to tell the family about the hope of Jesus and invite them to church. Remember, the coins you raised this week mean meals for someone in need!

Okay! Are you ready to see how many meals we’ve raised this week? [Pause for participation.]

The grand total number of meals we have provided this week during *The Great Treasure Hunt* is \_\_\_\_\_meals! *(Remember, one dollar provides 4 meals. To calculate your VBS meal progress, multiply the dollars raised by 4.)*

SHOW: “Daily Count Day 5” slide with final meal count filled in

Amazing! You guys did a fantastic job collecting coins to help feed children all over the world! You really made a difference. Thank you for all of your hard work!

But do you want to know the best part? It doesn’t have to end here! There are more ways you can continue to make a difference for children around the world with Children’s Hunger Fund. Ask your parents how you can continue to share meals and the love of Christ with children in poverty.

PRAYER JOURNAL: Give each child the “Max” Prayer Journal page to take home. (Included on the DIGITAL RESOURCES.)