



A Global Discipleship
Experience for Families

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Thank you for choosing to invest spiritually in your family. When discipleship takes root in a home, its potential to transform people's hearts over a lifetime increases. This four-session family experience is a gift to you from the global children's ministry of Awana. Our desire is to encourage and equip your family in your walk with God. We created **Go Together–Grow Together** as a heart-shaping discipleship resource that will expand your family's view of how kids are being reached for Christ around the world (and in your own home too!).

Go Together–Grow Together is designed for families with children anywhere from age 5 to grade 5. Each of the four-session family experiences includes a **simple activity**, a **short video**, a **key Bible passage**, a few **discussion questions**, and a **family challenge**. For families with younger or older kids, feel free to get creative by adapting the activities and questions to suit your setting. If you commit to carving out 20-30 minutes together (for the next four days or for the next four weeks), you'll be surprised how God impacts the heart of your home and your family.

The focus of this **Go Together–Grow Together** is the nation of Burkina Faso (burr-key-nah fah-soh) in West Africa. You'll learn some important facts about this incredible country and its people. You'll also discover how God is at work there in similar and different ways from where you live. We encourage you to look, listen, and learn together as a family about what the Lord is up to in Burkina Faso and let this experience transform you too.

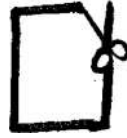


family experience **1**

A Day in the Life of
Burkina Faso



Let's Go & Grow!



Family Activity: *Make Your Own Passport*



Time needed: 10:00



Materials Needed:

- One copy of the **Burkina Faso Coloring Sheet** per person
- Markers, crayons, colored pencils, or whatever you prefer

1. Print one copy of the **Burkina Faso Coloring Sheet** for each member of your family.
2. **Fold it in half** as a booklet so that the coloring page is on the inside.
3. **On the outside:** Have each person draw a picture of the world and write his or her name.
4. **On the inside:** Follow the instructions for coloring the flag.
5. **Read the two facts** about Burkina Faso together as a family.
6. **Choose one person to stamp** (sign or initial) each homemade passport before watching the video.

FOR MORE FUN

You can increase the fun factor by transforming your seating area into an airplane. Face all the chairs toward whatever device will be playing the video. Give each person a tray or box to write on while making his or her passport. Then watch the video as if you're traveling.

Let's Watch!



Video: *A Day in the Life of Burkina Faso (05:30)*

Before watching the video, let your family know that you'll be learning more about the African country of Burkina Faso and the ministry of Awana there. Ask family members to pay attention to what they see and hear while watching. Some kids (and adults) may enjoy taking notes or drawing about what's going on in the video.

When you're ready, **play the video.**

FOR MORE FUN

You might want to search for a map of Africa on your computer, tablet, or smartphone so everyone can see where Burkina Faso is located. This is also a great way to show how far away this country is from your home.

After the Video:

You know the people in your family best. Ask some or all of the following questions about the video you just watched together:

- What is the same or different in Burkina Faso from where we live?
 - » What is their **land** or **ground** like?
 - » What are their **homes** and **buildings** like?
 - » What **animals** and **types of transportation** did you see?
 - » What stood out to you about their **food** and **water**?
 - » What did you notice about the **men, women, and children**?
 - » What fact did you hear that **surprised** you?
- What did you see or hear that was most interesting to you?
- What did you see or hear that you are curious about?
- If you could ask a Burkinabé (burr-key-NA-bay) person one question, what would it be?



Let's Read!



If possible, have each person in the family look up the Bible passage (Acts 17:24-25) in his or her own Bible. Take turns reading the verses to encourage participation by everyone. It can be meaningful to have older and younger siblings work together to find and read the verse(s) aloud.

Bible Passage: Acts 17:24-25

The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

Let's Talk!



Discussion Questions: One Big World, One Great God

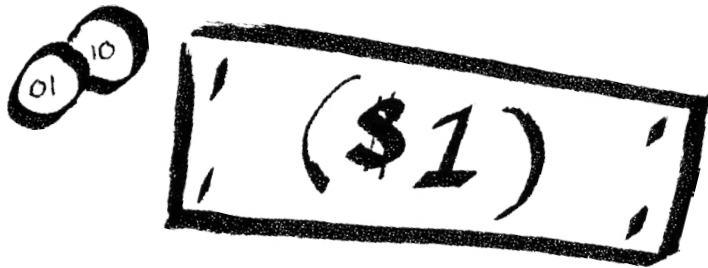
1. What is one thing you saw in the video about Burkina Faso that God made?
2. What do we have where we live or in our home that people also have in Burkina Faso?
3. How do you feel when you see kids and families in Burkina Faso farming in bare feet, pulling up water from a well, and eating food with bugs on it?
4. The Bible says that God does not live in buildings and is everywhere at the same time. Why is this truth about God a good thing for our family and our new Burkinabé friends?
5. God is using the ministry of Awana to reach over 12,000 children every week in Burkina Faso with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Why is it a good thing that kids around the world get to experience Awana clubs like we do?

Let's Keep Going & Growing!

Family Challenge: *Pray for the Burkinabé Believers*

To start the family challenge, ask a family member to go get a **dollar bill (\$1)** and **two dimes (20¢)**. Place them in a location that is visible to everyone during your conversation.

- How many dimes does it take to make one dollar? When you compare the size of a dollar bill to the size of a dime, what do you notice?
- Of all the people living in Burkina Faso (about 17 million), there are only one or two dimes (up to 20¢) worth of people living there who call themselves Christians. Where can we put two dimes in our home so we will remember to pray, individually and as a family, for the small number of Burkinabé believers each day this week?



Let's Pray!

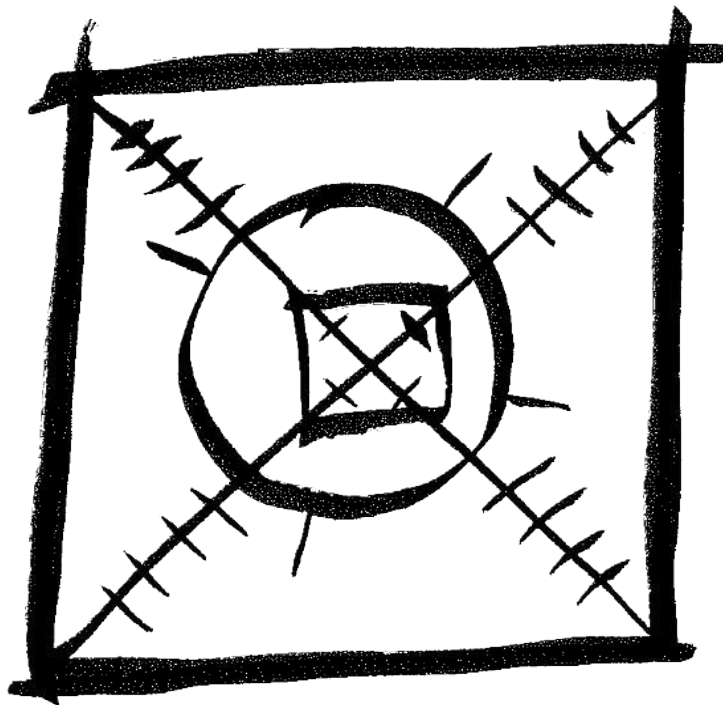
At the end of the video, where do you think the child on the bike and the two boys walking were going? Maybe they were heading off to Awana. It looks like we'll find out more next time. Let's be sure to pray for our Burkinabé friends between now and when we meet again.

Dear God, we worship You for making the world and everything in it. We worship you with the people of Burkina Faso who know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. Thank You for giving all of us what we need, even when we don't feel like it's enough. We pray that You will continue to use the ministry of Awana to reach kids and families with the gospel here at home and in Burkina Faso. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

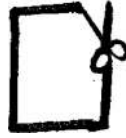


family experience **2**

Awana Game Time in
Burkina Faso



Let's Go & Grow!



Family Activity: *Not-So-Fancy Football*



Time needed: 20:00



Materials Needed:

- Five plastic/paper grocery bags or large trash bags
- One roll of twine, string, or wrapping ribbon
- Four or more empty water bottles

In Burkina Faso, football, known as soccer in some places, is a very popular game. Many children and families can't afford sports equipment, so they use what they can find to make their own. Depending on where you have open space and if the weather cooperates, this activity can be played outside or inside your home.

As a family, tightly scrunch up the bags and tie them together into the shape of a ball. Then fill the water bottles halfway with dirt or sand so they don't fall over on their own. Use your homemade "soccer ball" and "cones" to play a few games as a family. Ask your kids what they'd like to play or choose from these options:

1. **Simple Soccer**—Use the cones as goal posts; play a few five-point matches.
2. **Weave the Cones Relay**—Set up the cones in a line spaced 2-3 feet apart; take turns passing the ball through the cones.
3. **Monkey in the Middle**—Use the cones to form a medium-sized circle; have the oldest family member stand in the middle first while the rest stand around the circle. The goal is to keep passing the ball without letting the person in the center get it. When the person in the middle intercepts the ball, they trade spots with the person on the outside of the circle who passed it last. Keep playing until everyone has a chance to be monkey in the middle.

**FOR
MORE
FUN**

Rather than gather supplies in advance, work together as a family to find recycled supplies to make your own soccer ball and cones. Let yourself be surprised and inspired by how creative you and your kids can be!

Let's Watch!



Video: Awana Game Time in Burkina Faso (03:00)

Share with your family that Awana Game Time is one of the most recognized parts of the ministry of Awana—both in Burkina Faso and around the world. Churches in rural areas face big financial challenges, so it can be hard to find time and a dedicated space for meaningful fun. Encourage family members to think about their own experiences going to the park and playing on playgrounds. Ask them to think about the similarities and differences between Game Time in Burkina Faso and your home church.

When you're ready, **play the video.**

FOR MORE FUN

If possible, play the video from a laptop computer, tablet, or smartphone while sitting where you played your family activity together. Being surrounded by the homemade soccer ball and cones is a physical reminder that can help your family connect more personally with what you're watching on the video.

After the Video:

You know the people in your family best. Ask some or all of the following questions about the video you just watched together:



- How is Game Time the same or different from your experience at our Awana club?
- What did you see or hear that seemed really fun about Game Time in Burkina Faso?
- Do you think the kids and leaders were excited to participate? How do you know?



- What makes Game Time a great opportunity to invite friends to Awana no matter where we live?
- How did you feel at the end of the video when you heard that the child's mom would not let her stay at Awana to hear the Bible teaching?



Before continuing on, remind your family about the incredible impact of Game Time. Most people don't realize it, but Awana provides an opportunity for children and adult leaders everywhere to play with a purpose. The Awana Game

Square is simple to set up, gives kids and leaders an easy way to organize teams, and introduces tons of great games that can be played by anyone, regardless of age, gender, or athletic ability. Many clubs don't just play games around the square. They also sing worship songs, recite Bible verses, and listen to teaching. It's not unusual for kids and adults from the community to stop by while Awana games are happening to watch and listen to what's going on. It's pretty amazing that God can even use Game Time to share the gospel with people who don't know, love, and serve Jesus Christ yet!

Let's Read!

If possible, have each person in the family look up the Bible passage (Hebrews 12:1-2) in his or her own Bible. Take turns reading the verses to encourage participation by everyone. It can be meaningful to have older and younger siblings work together to find and read the verse(s) aloud.

Bible Passage: Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Let's Talk!

Discussion Questions: *Playing With Purpose*

During your conversation, help your family discover how Game Time can be about much more than just playing together.

1. What is your favorite game to play on the Game Square and why?
2. How do you think kids in Burkina Faso feel when they are playing Awana games?
3. Why is it helpful to have family and friends cheering you on while you're playing?
4. How hard would it be to run fast while carrying a lot of books or with a backpack on?

5. When you think of Jesus Christ living, dying, and coming back to life, how is this encouraging to you when life gets hard at home, school, or church?
6. There's an African proverb that says, "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." What is one way our family can stay focused on our life with Jesus every day? How can we cheer on our Burkinabé friends to do the same?

Let's Keep Going & Growing!

Family Challenge: A Color's Worth a Thousand Words

Did you know the Game Square is more than just fun and games? There's more going on behind the Red, Blue, Green, and Yellow lines! The colors can be used to share the gospel, the life-giving truth about Jesus Christ. Take time to talk as a family about the significance of the four colors on the Game Square:

- Many Burkinabé people speak French, the national language, but there are also over 90 native languages and dialects spoken. **How could the four line colors – Red, Blue, Green, and Yellow – communicate what the Bible teaches about Jesus Christ more easily than words alone?**

- What do you think **RED** stands for?



- » Red (love): God loved the whole world so much that He sent Jesus Christ to live, die, and rise again to pay for our sins. (John 3:16, Romans 5:8)

- What might **BLUE** represent?



- » Blue (clean water): If we believe in Jesus Christ, our sin is washed clean. Being baptized in water is also a symbol of our new life with God. (Romans 6:23, Acts 16:31)

- When you think of **GREEN**, what comes to mind?



- » Green (growing): We get to grow in our relationship with God by following Jesus Christ every day. The Holy Spirit empowers us to love the Lord and people. (John 15:5, Colossians 2:6-7)



- What could **YELLOW** represent as part of the Game Square?
 - » Yellow (light, heaven): Anyone who trusts in Jesus Christ for salvation becomes a bright light that can point people to God. When the Lord returns, we will be with Him forever. (Matthew 5:16, John 14:3)
- Now that you know what the line colors can communicate about Jesus, who else is this good news for in addition to the kids and families in Burkina Faso?

Let's Pray!

It's hard to watch the little girl and her Muslim mother walk away from Game Time at the end of the video. There is so much to be known about God, the Bible, and the gift of salvation offered in relationship with Jesus Christ. There are many boys and girls in Burkina Faso (and around the globe) who get in trouble with their nonbelieving parents for participating in Awana. But God still uses these tough situations to reach individuals and families for Christ. Let's pray that every child will be given an opportunity to learn about God with his or her family and friends.

Dear heavenly Father, You created and love every child and family member in the whole world. You made each one creative just like You, and You enjoy watching us play with purpose together. Our lives are not always easy, but we receive encouragement from You and Your people along the way. We pray for our friends in Burkina Faso that Game Time will keep drawing in new kids, that it will keep telling people about new life in Jesus Christ, and that no child will be kept from participating. We pray this in the powerful name of Jesus. Amen.

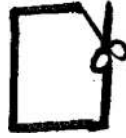


family experience **3**

Awana Small Group Time in
Burkina Faso



Let's Go & Grow!



Family Activity: *Thank You, Mr. or Ms. _____! Collage*



Time needed: 15:00



Materials Needed:

- One blank piece of paper or cardstock per person
- Markers, crayons, or colored pencils
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Stickers, or other craft supplies
- One sheet of poster board
- One glue stick or roll of tape

Followers of Jesus learn to follow Him in relationship with other followers of Jesus. Who are the most spiritually influential people in your family members' lives? Give each person in your home one blank piece of paper or card stock. Provide assorted markers, crayons, or colored pencils. You might also choose to put out construction paper, scissors, stickers, or other craft supplies. Finally, you'll need one sheet of poster board and a glue stick or roll of tape.

Ask each person to identify the first name of one family member, friend, leader at church or Awana, teacher, pastor, coach, or someone else they believe is a positive spiritual influence on them. If you have younger children, this may be harder for them to comprehend. Help them identify someone they know who loves Jesus and loves them too. Take time drawing a picture of the person and/or writing words that describe their character and the specific way(s) he or she represent Jesus. Finish by writing "Thank you, (Mr. or Ms. First or Last Name)!" at the top of each family member's page.

Take turns having each family member share about the person he or she chose, what they drew or wrote, and why. Once everyone in the family has taken a turn, attach the individual thank-you pages to the poster board. As time permits, decorate the poster together and close by praying for the people represented by your family's thank-you collage.

FOR MORE FUN

Consider inviting some or all of the people on your family's thank-you collage over to your home at some point. If not all at the same time, one at a time would be great too. If they don't live in the area, call them or use a video call service like Skype to connect with them. The important thing is to say thank you in a personally meaningful way for their godly example in your lives.

Let's Watch!



Video: Awana Small Group Time in Burkina Faso (02:30)

Jacques (French for James) is an Awana Leader in Burkina Faso. He leads Game Time, but he's also a small group leader with a group of young boys and girls. Sharing true stories from the Bible with children is something very important to Jacques. He also likes to sing and pray with the kids in his group, as well as help them study and memorize God's Word. Hundreds of thousands of Awana leaders all over the world, like Jacques, are committed to knowing, loving, and serving Jesus Christ and inviting boys and girls to do the same. Encourage your family members to identify and remember which people in the video Burkinabé children might be thankful for during their Small Group Time.

When you're ready, **play the video.**

FOR MORE FUN

If possible, go outside and have your family experience under the shade of a tree or out on the open grass or pavement. This is very common for how children participate in Small Group Time in Burkina Faso. Use your laptop computer, tablet, or smartphone to watch the video together.

After the Video:

You know the people in your family best. Ask some or all of the following questions about the video you just watched together:

- What did you see or hear the Burkinabé children and leaders doing together during Small Group Time?
- How is Small Group Time the same or different from your experience at our Awana club?
- Would you enjoy being part of Small Group Time in Burkina Faso? Why or why not?
- Why do you think the leaders are the ones with handbooks and not the children?
- Do you think it is easier or harder for kids in Burkina Faso to memorize and recite Bible verses and why?
- What did you notice about the leaders who are serving alongside the children?



Let's Read!



If possible, have each person in the family look up the Bible passage (1 John 4:14-15) in his or her own Bible. Take turns reading the verses to encourage participation by everyone. It can be meaningful to have older and younger siblings work together to find and read the verse(s) aloud.

Bible Passage: 1 John 4:14-15

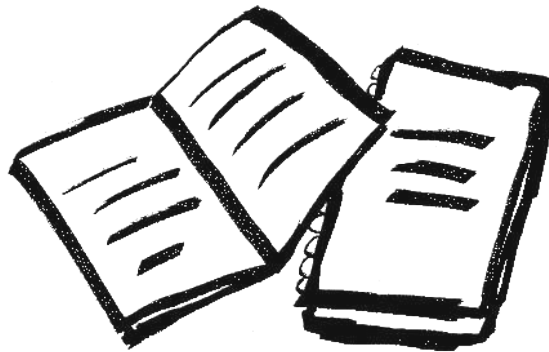
And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

Let's Talk!



Discussion Questions: Our Message Makes a Difference

1. What is something our family has experienced that reminds us that God cares about us and is present in our home?
2. No matter where a person lives in the entire world or at any point in history, the Bible teaches that salvation is always through Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12). Why is this important for people in Burkina Faso, here, and everywhere in between to believe?
3. What are some ways God gets the good news about Jesus to children and families through Awana leaders?
4. In your experience, why is Small Group Time with your friends and leader(s) an important part of being a Christian?
5. When a kid or adult decides to trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, how can he or she show the world that her or his life is changed forever?



Let's Keep Going & Growing!

Family Challenge: *It's More Than Just Bible Memory*

Why do you like learning Bible verses at Awana? Sometimes we get excited to memorize Bible verses for good but not great reasons. It's fun to get rewarded with stickers, points, or awards, but there's so much more meaning behind hiding God's Word in our hearts (Psalm 119:11). Burkinabé kids and families live in a culture where 60 percent or more of the population doesn't believe in Jesus Christ, and many are very opposed to this truth. However, like where we live, Christians still get opportunities to share God's Word with family members and friends. Even if we're not carrying a Bible around, we can still pray and spread the Word of God through preaching and sharing verses we memorize. We also show God's love through the way we talk, serve others, and worship the Lord with our lives.

To show our support of the children and families in Burkina Faso, let's memorize the passage we read earlier as a family:

Bible Passage: 1 John 4:14-15

And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

Here are some ways to break down the verse so you can memorize it together. You'll need to adapt this based on the ages of your children and the time you have available.

- **Break It Down:** Break the verse into meaningful parts by putting parentheses around phrases. For example, 1 John 4:14-15: *(And we have seen and testify) (that the Father has sent his Son) (to be the Savior of the world.) (Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God) (God abides in him) (and he in God.)*



- **Swipe Away:** Write out the verse on a chalkboard or dry erase board. Erase a word at a time to help your family members learn the memory verse. Each time you correctly say the verse, erase another word until everyone knows the entire verse.

- **Pocket 3x5:** Give each family member a 3x5 card. Take time to write out the verses together. Encourage everyone to carry the card in his or her pocket to review regularly. Suggest reading the verses first thing in the morning, at meal times, and at bedtime each day.





- **Find an App for That:** Check out this blog post from AwanaYM™ about three great apps to help with Bible memory: awanaym.org/blog/3appsthathelpstudentswithscripturememory

KEEP IN MIND

This challenge may not come easily to you and your family, especially if you have young or easily distracted family members. Don't let that discourage you. Take time to steep in God's Word like a tea bag in hot water. Stick with it; soak it in. Remind yourself how valuable the Bible is and the importance of storing up its true message inside. Commit to honoring God by staying close to Him through His precious Word. In the days and weeks ahead, it's very likely that this passage will come to your mind at just the right time.

Let's Pray!



It's amazing to discover that over three million children around the world get to be part of Small Group Time every week. Without leaders, pastors, and parents, kids may not get this opportunity to learn and grow in their faith. Following Jesus Christ isn't easy, and it's not a journey that we are called to be on alone. Let's take time to pray for our Burkinabé friends, and ourselves, too, as we thank God together for the gift of Himself through the presence of leaders in our lives.

Dear God, You are awesome in every way. Yet You want to be close to us so much that You sent Your son, Jesus, into the world. We know this is true and cannot help but tell the world about it. Thank You for putting loving leaders in our lives so we can learn about what it means to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. Please strengthen our ability to remember what we read in the Bible, and to have courage to share the good news of Jesus with everyone we meet. In the precious and mighty name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

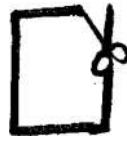


family experience **4**

Awana Large Group Time in
Burkina Faso



Let's Go & Grow!



Family Activity: What You Sow, Grows



Time needed: 10:00

As a family, read through the Parable of the Sower taught by Jesus in Matthew 13:1-9:

Bible Passage: Matthew 13:1-9

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. And great crowds gathered about Him, so that He got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And He told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear."

Jesus often taught using parables, or creative stories with a bigger meaning and purpose. So while the Lord seemed to be talking about seeds being planted, He was actually talking about the truth of God's Word taking root in people's hearts (Matthew 13:18-23).

A great way to let the Bible get inside you is to act it out. Choose one person to read the parable again. Assign different roles to each person in the family: 1. Jesus the Teacher, 2. the Sower, 3. the Seed, and 4. the Sun, Birds and Thorns. It's okay to assign more than one role per person or to break down the roles in a different way.

As you read the story out loud again, have each person act out the role he or she is assigned along the way. For example, Jesus the Teacher can walk forward, mouth the words of the story, and use hand motions to emphasize what is being said. The Sower can pretend to spread seed, the Seed can react to being thrown, scorched, choked, taken by birds, or growing strong, and the Sun, Birds, and Thorns can do whatever the verses say to the Seed. Encourage everyone to over dramatize the story. It will help make it more fun and memorable.

When you're done, circle up as a family. Ask how it felt to act out the Bible story. Also, ask how acting it out helped each family member understand the story better and remember it.

FOR MORE FUN

If you're able to do this activity outdoors, try to find a location that has each of the four soils in the parable (the path, rocky ground, thorns, good soil). Remember, the purpose of acting it out isn't to win an acting award; it's to help each person dive into the biblical story so the truth of God's Word can take better root in their heart.

Let's Watch!



Video: Awana Large Group Time in Burkina Faso (03:00)

What do you love most about Large Group Time in our Awana club? Singing and storytelling are an important part of Large Group Time in Awana, especially in Burkina Faso. Because many people are poor and unable to read, leaders share teaching materials and kids don't usually have handbooks. There is great value in using music and skits to help communicate the truth of God's Word so kids of all ages can understand and remember. Encourage your family members to pay close attention to what they see and hear during the video.

When you're ready, **play the video.**

DID YOU SEE

You'll notice right away that Burkinabé children sit in rows facing the front of the classroom for Large Group Time. This is how their school seating works as well. You might want to sit close together as a family on one chair or bench while watching the video. It's not unusual for three or four children to sit side-by-side at one desk in African schools.

After the Video:



You know the people in your family best. Ask some or all of the following questions about the video you just watched together:



- What did you like about the way the Awana leaders acted out the stories they shared with the children?



- What did you notice about the way the kids were seated during Large Group Time?

- Did you hear the five-count being called out in another language by the director? What verse was being written on the chalkboard and in what language?



- How did the children respond when their leaders were calling on them? How is this the same or different from your experience at our Awana club?

- What stands out to you about the different ages of people who were attending Large Group Time in Burkina Faso?

- Why do you think children were standing at the window and by the doorway? What might they be wondering or feeling while the Awana club is going on?

Let's Read!



If possible, have each person in the family look up the Bible passage (Psalm 90:1-2) in his or her own Bible. Take turns reading the verses to encourage participation by everyone. It can be meaningful to have older and younger siblings work together to find and read the verse(s) aloud.

Bible Passage: Psalm 90:1-2

Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God.

Let's Talk!



Discussion Questions: *Everyone Is Welcome*

1. In what ways do we make sure our home is a safe place for our family and friends?
2. How do you know that God loves everyone in the whole world yesterday, today, and forever?
3. How can we help people who don't know, love, and serve Jesus Christ feel welcome in our home, church, and Awana?
4. What are the first names of some of our family members and friends that we want to introduce to Jesus through Awana? What might happen if we wrote their names down, prayed for them regularly, and committed to inviting them to Awana?
5. How can we help our Burkinabé friends serve more children and families so no one has to stand outside their Awana club?

Let's Keep Going & Growing!



Family Challenge: *Partner With Awana*

The ministry of Awana is open to everyone; unfortunately it's not always realistic for this to happen. It's not physically or financially possible for some churches to open their doors to every child who wants to participate.

We have an opportunity to rewrite this reality and be a part of God's bigger story, not just in our Awana club but also in Awana clubs worldwide!

Pray: Just as God works in your home through Awana, He is at work around the world impacting children, families, and leaders through weekly outreach and discipleship ministry. Every family can partner with Awana by praying for Burkina Faso, just one of over 100 countries we serve worldwide.

Give: There are over eight million children in Burkina Faso today under the age of 15. Children there face some of the poorest conditions in the world. Awana Burkina Faso can give hope to children, introduce them to a real relationship with God, and allow them to have fun—something they rarely get in Burkina Faso. For every \$10 you give as a family, you can introduce a child to the truth of the gospel and impact their eternity with four to six years of discipleship. Please go to www.awana.org/gotogether to donate.

Talk about your Go Together–Grow Together family experience. How did the Lord challenge your hearts on behalf of the kids, families, and leaders of Burkina Faso? Perhaps He's inviting you to take another step to strengthen and multiply the Awana ministry there.

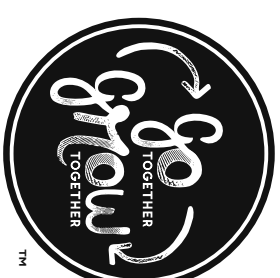
Let's Pray!

Go Together–Grow Together was designed to be a heart-to-heart experience for you and your family. We can learn from each other even if we don't know one another or live in the same country. God's invitation to us is to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ. Let's pray that He will change our lives, and the lives of our Burkinabé friends, as we walk with the Lord moment by moment, day by day.

Dear Lord of heaven and earth, You are deeply concerned with every living person. You want us to have a strong relationship with You and for us to tell the world about who You are. Whether we live in Burkina Faso or here at home, our desire is to honor Your name forever. We ask You to build us up and to build up our Awana clubs. We want every child to have the same opportunity to know, love, and serve Jesus Christ that we have. Thank You for opening our eyes and ears and hearts to what You are doing to change lives around the world. Our family commits to supporting the ministry of Awana here and around the world however You lead us, Lord. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Burkina Faso

flag & country map



Color the top stripe red, the bottom stripe green, and the star gold.

Did you know?

- Burkina Faso, formerly known as Upper Volta, gained its independence from France in 1960.
- Burkina Faso is a little bit larger than the U.S. state of Colorado.

