

The background is a vibrant blue space theme. It features a constellation of white stars connected by yellow lines, a yellow crescent moon in the top right, a yellow planet with craters in the bottom left, and a blue bear-like creature with a pink nose in the top right. The background is decorated with white and yellow streaks, dots, and a white spiral galaxy in the bottom right.

MISSION RESOURCE

*StudentLife*Kids



HELLO,

The Student Life for Kids team is deeply saddened that we will not be able to see you this summer. This unique season presents churches with an opportunity to teach kids about the joy of serving in our own communities! The Student Life for Kids team has compiled a list of ideas categorized by project type to help you plan a mission project in your area.

We understand each community will have different opportunities to meet in person and gather together. There are suggestions here for both group and individual activities as well as in person and remote. Please follow the recommendations of your local health officials and get creative on how you can serve during this time!

Make sure to take photos of how you are serving with your kids, whether that is in person or over a Zoom call, and tag @studentlifekids when you share them online!

THE SL4K TEAM





MISSION PROJECT IDEAS



ELDERLY CARE

- Bake and deliver sweet treats to the front porches of elderly congregation members with cards and notes of encouragement.
- Make cards for residents in nursing homes who can't have visitors.
- Set up a Google or Zoom Show-N-Tell or Talent Show for seniors in your church to interact with the kids. An adult will act as the host and call on kids for their turn.
- Record kids singing, telling jokes, or sharing what God is doing in their lives to send to elderly church members.
- Create a "shop squad" to pick up groceries and medicine for elderly.
- Deliver meals to homebound individuals.
- Organize a summer worship session with traditional hymns or a play to perform at a nursing home.



KIDS MINISTRY

- Throw a birthday party for children who are homeless at a local shelter.
- Make yard or door signs to brighten up a friend's day.
- Make "Get Well" cards for kids in a local children's hospital.
- Have kids practice sharing the Gospel. Film yourself talking through the points and have kids practice with their families. Challenge them to share with a friend over a phone call or outside this week.

BEHIND THE SCENES

- Collect nonperishable foods or money for a local food bank.
- Gather diapers and baby items for your local Christian crisis pregnancy center.
- Collect unused make-up, perfume, and other cosmetics for a center for abused women.
- Hold a book drive and donate the proceeds to a homeless shelter, and then hold a read-a-thon or give a class on basic reading skills.
- Gather combs, toothbrushes, shampoo, razors, etc. to make "I Care" kits for people who are experiencing homelessness.
- Collect backpacks and school supplies to give to children of families who can't afford them.
- Have people donate money through Venmo or your church's online giving platform, and order groceries to be sent to a local food bank by InstantCart or other grocery delivery service.
- Contact the local fire and police department to find out how you can bless the servicemen and women in your community.
- Volunteer at a local food bank to sort and pack food.



WORK PROJECTS

- Create a [Little Free Pantry](#) in your neighborhood, or outside of your church and stock it for the community.
- Spread cheer and positive messages in your neighborhood by creating sidewalk chalk art, painting kindness rocks, or organizing a teddy bear hunt.
- Volunteer to clean up trash around a neighborhood.
- Contact a local school principal to help with clean up projects that get them ready for the new school year.
- Paint over graffiti in your neighborhood.
- Complete work projects around the church grounds.



Another missional activity we can do is to pray together. Use these themes to walk through a prayer time either in person or over video.

PRAYER GATHERING

FOR YOURSELF & YOUR CHURCH

- Praise God for who He is and how He is always there for you.
- Thank the Lord for His protection and provision.
- Pray for family members and friends that are sick or hurting.
- Pray that God would help you to share your faith so the lost can hear the Gospel. Pray to have boldness to overcome fear of sharing the Gospel.
- Pray for your church and the staff as they continue to serve faithfully.
- Pray that He gives your entire church a desire to reach your community.
- Ask that He would show your church more effective and creative ways to share about Jesus.
- Pray that the Lord will reveal where to serve and give this summer.

FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

- Pray that God would open the hearts of the lost in your community.
- Pray for pastors and church leaders to stay true to God's Word in their teachings.
- Pray for the health of the people in your community.
- Pray for wisdom and strength for parents, leaders, and authority figures.
- Pray that you and your community will be filled with and known for kindness and compassion. Ask God to show you ways that you can love and serve neighbors.
- Pray for the elimination of all types of prejudices in your community. Pray that you would see each person as a valued image-bearer of God. Pray for love across all races, socioeconomic classes, religions, and genders, while not compromising the truth of God's Word.



FOR THE NATIONS

- Pray that the Lord will help the Body of Christ to labor together to bring good news where it's never been heard before. Ask that God would raise up more laborers for His Kingdom. Pray that God will supply and multiply the resources necessary to support His workers and their work.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit will provide missionaries with words that communicate effectively in other cultures and languages. Pray that they would be confident in God's word and that they would find favor with unbelievers.
- Pray for the safety, unity, and peace of missionary teams. Ask that God would give them patience, perseverance, spiritual refreshment, and joy in the midst of suffering. Ask that he would give them strength and victory in any spiritual warfare.
- Pray that seeds will be planted and that missionaries would be able to see the fruits of their labor. Ask that God will produce an abundant harvest as more people learn about the love of Christ. Pray that God would use missionaries to make local disciples to multiply churches.