

## “Announcement!”

### Text:

4 “You will say in that day:

‘Give thanks to the Lord,  
call upon his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples,  
proclaim that his name is exalted.

5 ‘Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.

6 Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

Isaiah 12:4-6



### Message:

1. There are lots of different ways to announce things. What are some of the ways we share news or announcements? *(Let the children give answers. Prompt them to look at pictures in the PPT)*
  - a. *Additional questions to prompt responses:* How might someone announce that they were going to get married or have a baby? How does your school announce things? How do people hear news about what’s going on in the world? Etc.
2. In different places around the world, people have different ways of announcing things.
  - a. In Taiwan (in Asia) people announce good news like graduation by putting these colorful flower displays along the side of the road.
  - b. In Ethiopia (in Africa) they have trucks that drive around with speakers sharing public announcements like upcoming elections or places to get vaccines.
  - c. In Slovakia (in Europe) they have speakers along all the streets in town. They use these public speakers to make daily lunchtime announcements including things like obituaries and funeral information for people who have died.
3. Our Bible reading today talks about proclaiming or announcing the things that God has done for us. *(Read Isaiah 12:4-6)*
4. The good news that God sent Jesus to live, die, and rise again so that we can be forgiven and made part of God’s family is the most important announcement - more important than funerals, graduations, or elections. But many people around the world and here in \_\_\_(your city)\_\_\_ don’t know this good news!
5. Just like we have different ways of making announcements, there are different ways we can share the Gospel - the good news about Jesus.
  - a. Hannah, Sarah, and Olivia are missionaries in Taiwan. They teach Taiwanese students at Concordia Middle School about Jesus in their classes, but they also share the Gospel with friends while doing things like drinking tea or eating meals together.

- b. Melissa and Haragewen are missionaries in Ethiopia. They help teach Ethiopian Christians so they can share the Gospel in many different places.
  - c. Clara is a missionary in Slovakia. She teaches high school students about Jesus while they learn other subjects like science and music. She also spends time hiking and biking with friends and neighbors, and while they are enjoying God's creation together, she gets to share the Gospel with them.
6. How can you share the Gospel with people here who don't know Jesus? (*Ask for examples from the children. Share with them your own examples.*)
- a. *Questions to prompt children:* Do you play on any sports teams where you meet other people and could share your faith? Do you have any classmates who need encouragement or to know that God loves them? Do you have any neighbors that you play outside with or that your family could invite over for dinner?
  - b. Any place that you meet new people and build relationships with them is an opportunity to share about the good things that God has done for us!
7. Let's pray:
- a. Dear God, you have done so many wonderful things! Thank you for making us, for loving us, and for sending Jesus to save us. Thank you for letting us announce to the world the good news of your love and salvation! Be with missionaries who share this good news around the world and be with us as we share this good news with our friends, classmates, and neighbors. In Jesus's name we pray, Amen.

\*\* All PPT slides are included below as images for printing if you do not have access to projection during worship.



# Announcements





# Taiwan





# Ethiopia



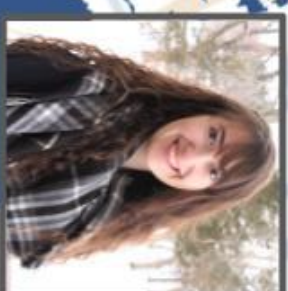
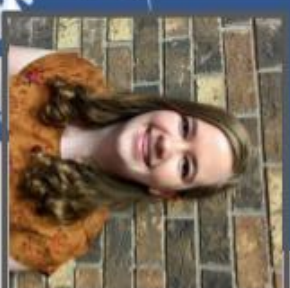


# Slovakia





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