Bonus Activities

For all ages:

Rosalie's boys love the Hope Library. Take your class to your church's library (or bring books in from a library) and encourage children to pick out a book to read.

For older children:

Changing Places Charades: Encourage children to choose a person from this list to act out and see if the others can guess who they are.

Mail Carrier
Dentist
Doctor
Mom/Parent
Soccer Player
Teacher
Senior Adult
Pastor
News Anchor
Singer

For all ages:

Scavenger Hunt: Hide items around the room and encourage children to find the items. Help children discover how these items relate to Rosalie and her family.

Backpack
Book
Plate
Play food
Tent (picture)
Car (picture)
Texas Flag (picture)
House (picture)
Baby (picture)
Map of Africa (picture)

Pathlight

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CBF's *Pathlight* curriculum helps children explore the Good News of Jesus through stories, scripture and activities.

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Your word is a lamp that gives light wherever I walk. **Psalm 119:105 (CEV)**

Theme Overview

CBF field personnel Karen Morrow helps immigrants and refugees in Fort Worth, Texas, have abundant life. This session focuses on a refugee named Rosalie and how she has journeyed from needing help as a refugee to helping others. This session focuses on the theme of making changes.

Bible Verse

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Session Outline

Prepare

- Make copies of the Student Handout.
- Review the Story and Bible Verse.

Welcome

- Greet students as they arrive.
- **Ask:** How has someone helped you? How have you helped others?

Engage

- Distribute the Student Handout.
- Read and discuss the Bible Verse.
- Work on the Handout Activity.
- Transition to Story Time.

Share

- Tell the story, "Rosalie Changes Places."
- Share the photo and caption.
- Discuss the Story and pray.

Conclude

- Lead students in Bonus Activities as time permits.

Rosalie Changes Places

"Hi, Karen!" Rosalie said as she opened the door. "Hello, Rosalie! I wanted to come see you and the baby. I also wanted to talk to you about some refugees who are moving here to Fort Worth soon. We have a family coming next week with a similar story to yours. The mom also had to leave her home country when she was young. You had to leave Zaire when you were nine, right?" Karen asked. "Yes. It was very hard to leave our home and my friends when I was so young. We traveled all the way to Tanzania. God sent workers who provided shelter, food, and even dishes for us! We lived in that refugee camp for twelve years before we finally came here to Texas. And God provided again. We were able to learn English, get our driver's licenses, and find jobs," Rosalie said.

"And now here you are, with a master's degree in social work, a house of your own, and four wonderful children!" Karen said. "I am so blessed, Karen," Rosalie said. "God has provided amazing people like you in my life. You encouraged me to keep going and helped my kids with Ready for School and the Hope Library. I am so glad that now I can help others who were just like me. It's still a bit weird to be on the other side of things. Now I am the helper instead of the refugee," Rosalie said. "Now, tell me more about this family. We want to make sure they feel welcome!"

Discussion and Prayer ✱

- **Ask:** How would you feel if you had to leave your home and your friends?
- **Ask:** How do you think Rosalie felt when she moved to the United States and had to learn a brand-new language?
- **Ask:** Why do you think Rosalie wants to help refugees?
- **Say:** There were many people who helped Rosalie and her family when they were refugees. And because Rosalie received that help, she is now able to offer the same help to others. Rosalie's life changed because others listened to God and helped her. And now she does the same for refugees.
- **Pray:** Thank you, God, for people who share your love with others. Help us to find ways in our own community to share your love. Show us ways that we can be a help to others. Amen.

Karen and Rosalie

CBF field personnel Karen Morrow helped Rosalie and her children find abundant life in a new place through resources like Ready for School and the Hope Library.

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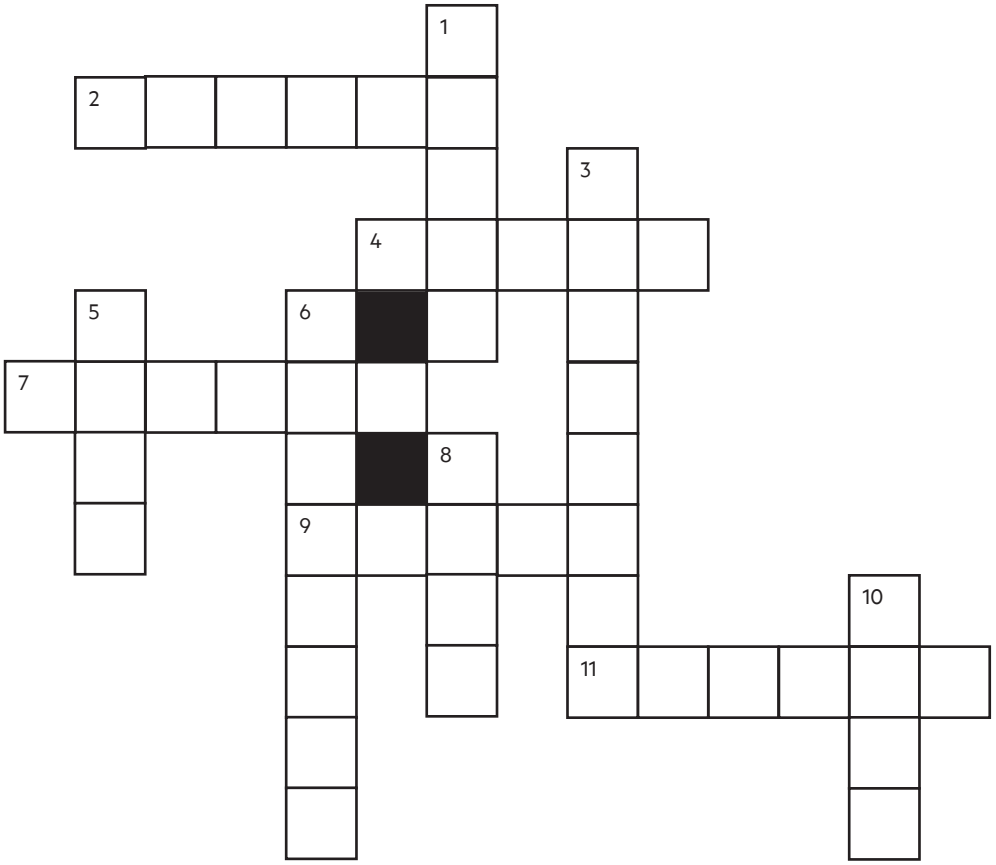
Rosalie Crossword

Use the story to learn more about Rosalie and discover the answers to our crossword.



Across

2. How many years did Rosalie and her family live in the refugee camp?

4. _____ Morrow is the CBF field personnel who encouraged Rosalie.

7. Rosalie got her master's degree in _____ work.

9. Where did Rosalie and her family originally live?

11. Ready for _____ is a program run by Karen Morrow that also helped Rosalie's children.

Down

1. What state did Rosalie and her family move to?

3. Who does Rosalie want to help now?

5. _____ Library helped Rosalie's children with their reading levels.

6. Where was the refugee camp?

8. How old was Rosalie when she and her family left home?

10. How many children does Rosalie have?

Across: 2. Twelve, 4. Karen, 7. Social, 9. Zaire, 11. School. Down: 1. Texas, 3. Refugees, 5. Hope, 6. Tanzania, 8. Nine, 10. Four