Bonus Activities

All Ages

Enjoy a Snack: Provide applesauce, pudding cups, fruit cups or granola bars, spoons (if needed), napkins and water. Give children their snack and talk about what nonperishable food is. Tell children that when people have gone through a disaster like a hurricane, they may not have power. If they don't have power, they may not be able to store food that must be cold or cook food that must be cooked. That's why helpers bring nonperishable foods so that they can have things to eat. Ask children to name a few foods that they think may be nonperishable.

Older Children

Practice Cup Stacking: Gather rubber bands (1 for every 4 children), string (1 piece per person) and cups (1 for every 4 children). Split your class into teams. Groups of four to eight work best. Each team needs one rubber band and as many strings as there are teammates. Each player ties their string to the rubber band. Then, everyone steps back and works together to place the rubber band around the cup, expanding and contracting as needed to place it just so. When they have finished playing, talk about how it's not just a pilot who flies the supplies. There are people who help the pilot know where to fly and when to land, and crews who help get the supplies off the plane to where they are needed.

All Ages

Play Mini Golf: Gather small plastic containers, bowls, empty cans, cardboard boxes (cereal boxes to create the holes, other boxes to create obstacles), masking tape, painter's tape, books, pool noodles, hula hoops, kids' umbrellas or brooms (to use as golf clubs) and ping pong balls, golf balls or other balls. Watch this video to get ideas about creating your mini golf course: www.youtube.com/watch?v=8O5AwMDmCrU&t=196s . For older children, encourage them to create their own mini golf course to play. For younger children, create some or all of the course beforehand. Create a few holes for kids to play through. Talk about how Augusta, GA, is known for its famous golf tournament, the Masters.

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Theme Overview

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Bible Verse

Micah 6:8

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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 does our church help people in need?"

Engage

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

Share

- Tell the Story, "Responding to Disaster through Flying."
- Share the photo and caption.
- Discuss the Story and pray.

Conclude

- Lead students in Bonus Activities as time permits.

Responding to Disaster through Flying

"Hey, Len, it's Howie," FBC Columbus's Mission Minister Howie Hooper said as Len Strozier answered the phone. "We need your help." "Hi, Howie. How can I help?" Len asked. "You know how lucky we got in Columbus after the hurricane shifted. And we want to help those who weren't so lucky. We're busy collecting supplies, and we're hoping you could help us get them to Augusta," Howie said. "I'd be happy to," Len said. "Let me check in with Angel Flight and see when we can go." Later, Len met a group from FBC Columbus at the airport. When he saw all the supplies, he was amazed. "Wow!" said Len. "The city of Columbus really stepped up. "Yes, they did," agreed Howie. "It's been wonderful to see. This is about 2,000 pounds worth of supplies. But these supplies would still be sitting at the church if it weren't for you and Angel Flight," said Howie. "I'm just doing what I love to do," Len replied. "I love to fly, and it's so rewarding that I can use it to help others. We can get to places that cars and trucks can't because we can fly over the damage. And these emergency supplies will go a long way to help the people of Augusta. Let's get it loaded, and I'll get it to Augusta ASAP," Len said. After loading everything, the group stood around the plane, praying that the people receiving these supplies would know that they weren't alone.

Discussion and Prayer ✱

- **Ask**: Angel Flight is a group of volunteer pilots. How do these pilots use what they love to do to help others?
- **Ask**: How does flying supplies to people in need help share God's love?
- **Ask**: How can you use your talents and things you like to do to help others?
- **Say**: These volunteer pilots don't get paid to fly. Instead, they use their skills and what they love to help others. They help get people and supplies to places where they are most needed, especially places where cars and trucks can't get through. They are sharing God's love by helping make sure people have what they need. And when people know that others are thinking about them and praying for them, it can give them strength to keep going. God can use others to help us and to remind us that God is always there with us.
- **Pray**: Dear God, thank you for people who use their talents to help others. Help us to look for ways to use our gifts and talents to help others too. Amen.

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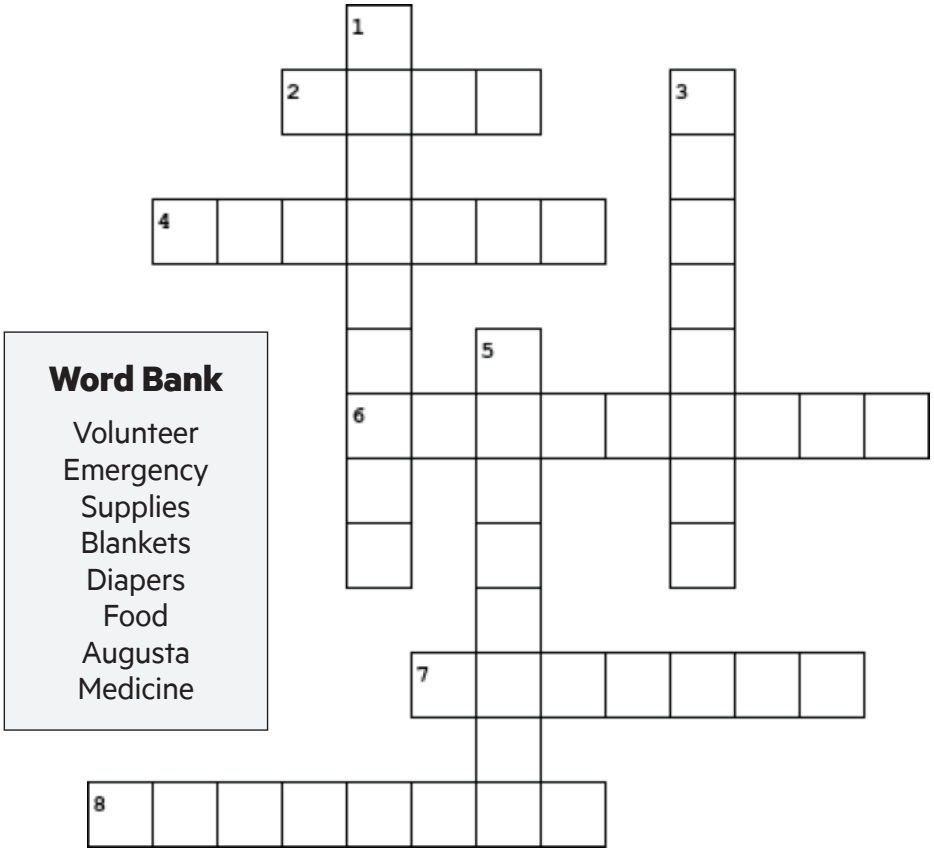
Disaster Response through Flight



Word Bank

Volunteer
Emergency
Supplies
Blankets
Diapers
Food
Augusta
Medicine

Across

2. The supplies included non-perishable _____ so that people would have things to eat.
4. Angel Flight partnered with FBC Columbus to send supplies to _____, GA, after they were hit with hurricane winds.
6. Angel Flight pilots are able to fly over the damage and bring people _____ supplies.
7. The supplies also included _____ for babies.
8. FBC Columbus sent thousands of pounds of _____ to Augusta, GA, after Hurricane Helene.

Down

1. Angel Flight uses _____ pilots, who don't get paid but instead offer their time freely.
3. Those supplies included things like _____ to keep people warm.
5. The supplies even included _____ in case people did not have access to the things that keep them well.