



Life In Abundance Parent Guide

“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full,” John 10:10.

When a group of men from Maper, South Sudan, walked 64 miles to Rumbek, South Sudan, carrying their wounded friend to find medical help, Life in Abundance (LIA) discovered the most rural of its community partners. Village leaders met with LIA under a tree and decided to provide training to empower community members to identify the needs of their own community. Health care was at the top of the list. Maper is now home to a clinic that has served more than 6,000 patients.

This story from Maper embodies the mission of LIA: to mobilize the local church to restore health, renew hope and inspire lasting transformation for the world’s most vulnerable families. Through their transformational development model, LIA is holistically empowering local churches to invest in their people through economic empowerment, community health, social engagement, and education.

Despite the violence that can make the work of Life in Abundance in South Sudan challenging and travel within the country nearly impossible at times, the country and its people are beautiful, and the Good News of God’s love is transforming their lives.

Here are some other ways to pray:

- Pray for the unrest in South Sudan
- Pray for wisdom and strength for the local church and the leaders of Life in Abundance.

FAMILY DISCUSSION

Watch the video on flatironskids.com about LIA. (It’s under the Outreach Partners tab.) Then discuss.

1. Life In Abundance is in what country? ([South Sudan](#))
2. What do you think it is like in South Sudan? ([Together look up facts about South Sudan.](#))
3. How Can we help people all over the world know the Good News? ([Pray for Life In Abundance; learn more about our friends in South Sudan; bring in money for the offering.](#))
5. In the video we heard that people in South Sudan have a big problem with tribes fighting with each other. But our friends at Life In Abundance are working hard to teach people in South Sudan about showing God’s love to other tribes. Think about your own life, are there people you have a hard time getting along with but you need to show them God’s love too? ([Together come up with ways to show God’s love to people who can be difficult.](#))