

# **Global**news



#### stories and updates from Scripture Union around the world

The new digital version of Global News aims to keep you in touch with how our network of Scripture Union teams around the world are having an impact on young lives. We hope this monthly update will inspire you to partner with us.



An unexpected meeting with a girl from an ancient tribal group in Vietnam has led to Scripture Union resources being translated and shared among hundreds of children in remote mountain villages.

The National Director for Scripture Union in southern Vietnam, Esther, said they were put in touch with a girl called Nhung, who is from the H'Mong tribe. There are approximately one million H'Mong people in Vietnam today, living primarily in the mountain regions along the northern borders.

She said, "H'Mong has the biggest population of ethnic groups, not only in Vietnam, but also in other countries. Through Nhung, our Scripture Union resources were brought to her village and all the villages where they are running children's activities. Partnering with us, they have trained hundreds of teachers every year and have also translated our books and songs - printing resources and music messages in H'Mong! We cannot be thankful enough."

Esther said they had never imagined that their meeting with Nhung would be the key to open doors to bless thousands of children in the H'Mong villages. "We're thankful to God that he has his children everywhere for his purposes in these challenging but exciting years. We pray that these fruits will encourage all of us as we join in God's work in different ways and in different places around the world."

## **About Vietnam**



With a population of 98.3 million, Vietnam is a young country - a quarter of its inhabitants are under 15. Although most people do not profess any religion, Buddhism is the majority belief, with Christians making up a very small percentage of the population. Scripture Union in Vietnam helps link the various Christian denominations together to support their work with children and young people, running holiday clubs, events and training for children's and youth leaders.



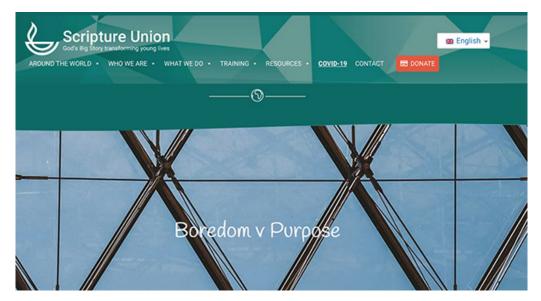
### Lego fun in Bulgaria

It was time to get building for **Scripture Union Bulgaria** as they ran their first LEGO Weekend at the end of February. After having to cancel it three times, they were relieved it could go ahead at last, allowing many children and young people to enjoy a creative time together. They also appreciated the support they had from **SU Austria** and **SU Switzerland**.

### **Sharing values in Uganda**

Scripture Union in Uganda is continuing its Values Education online with a new series of videos on YouTube, helping guide children and young people and encouraging them to be faithful disciples, both at school and in their homes and communities.





#### **Supporting families**

Our 'Families Together At Times Like These' resources offer fresh ways to help the whole family cope with things like boredom and a lack of purpose in the midst of pandemic restrictions.

"We might be feeling bored, but when we follow God's ways our lives have purpose, even the boring bits. Our whole lives are important to God. While we are living in our houses to stop the spread of the virus, we can make good choices. God wants to help us too. The Holy Spirit gives us wisdom and helps us. We don't have to do it alone!"

The full range of resources can be viewed and downloaded HERE.

#### You can partner with us

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