Prayer Planes

God loves us and he loves to hear our prayers. We pray, simply by talking to God. God listens to us and he answers our prayers. Prayer Planes is a creative way to pray.

At Wycliffe Bible Translators we pray for people who are working to translate the Bible in other languages so that everyone in the world can read about Jesus in their own language and know him for themselves.

## Equipment

- Colouring pens, pencils of crayons
- Scissors (or pre-cut plane templates)
- A template per child plus extras
- Open space to fly the planes!


## Instructions

Step 1. Each child should have a plane template and colouring pen/pencil to race to break the code. You might want to print this code out for small groups to share or you could write it up on a board/large piece of white paper so that everyone can access it at the same time.

| Code Breaker |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| I | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| K | L | M | N | O | P | Q | R | S | T |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| U | V | W | X | Y | Z |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |  |  |  |  |

Step 2. Once the children have finished breaking the code it is time decorate the plane template and fold it into shape using the instructions. The children may need help cutting the planes out and folding so make sure there are plenty of helpers or ask more able children to help others.


Step 3. Each child should write down or draw something they are thankful for on one wing and on the other wing write down or draw something they are worried about.

Step 4. The planes are ready for flying! Are you ready to pray? Each child needs to write their name on the plane and after the leader of the group counts to $\mathbf{3}$ everyone should fly their planes by throwing them in the air. Once the planes have landed, the children need to find someone elses plane and pray as loud as they can for those things mentioned on it.

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