God made sooooo many beautiful birds and other animals. He loves to make amazing things and He loves to take care of them all. But He loves us, His children, even more!

Sometimes, when things are hard or scary, it's easy to worry. But Jesus told us not to worry because we are so important to Him, and He knows just what we need.

JESUS SAID:

"LOOK AT THE BIRDS OF THE AIR; THEY DO NOT SOW OR REAP OR STORE
AWAY IN BARNS, AND YET YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER FEEDS THEM.
ARE YOU NOT MUCH MORE VALUABLE THAN THEY?" (MATT. 6:26)

And if God takes care of all of the birds, He will definitely take care of us because we are even more important! That is some really good news!

But right now, there are some people in Uganda who are very, very poor. That's why we call them "the extreme poor." They're very hungry. They don't have enough food to eat, and a lot of moms and dads can't work to get money to buy more food.

It is very sad, but we can pray for them—and prayer makes a BIG difference!

SO, HERE'S THE MISSION -----

MAKE A BIRD FEEDER AND HANG IT UP OUTSIDE!

- When you see a pretty bird coming for a snack, remember Uganda!
- Think about all the beautiful birds there too, and all the special people that God loves so much.
- Remember that right now there are lots of hungry people there, and pray that God would help them get the food that they need.
- Remember Matthew 6:26, the Bible verse that reminds us how much God cares for every single person there. He knows every single person's name, and He will care for them just like He cares for the beautiful birds.



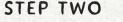
SUPPLIES

- PINECONE
- PEANUT BUTTER (OR VEGETABLE SHORTENING, SOY NUT BUTTER OR SUNFLOWER BUTTER)
- ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: UNCOOKED RICE, RAISINS, SEEDS OR NUTS (UNSALTED), CHEERIOS, POPCORN OR POPCORN KERNELS (NO SALT OR BUTTER)
- TWINE
- SCISSORS

- SPOON (OPTIONAL: TRAY TO CONTAIN SEEDS ETC.)



TIE A LONG PIECE OF TWINE SECURELY AROUND YOUR PINECONE.



TAKE YOUR SPOON AND SPREAD THE PEANUT BUTTER (OR WHATEVER THICK, STICKY MATERIAL YOU USE!) ALL OVER THE PINECONE.

STEP THREE

SPREAD A VARIETY OF RICE AND SEEDS ONTO A FLAT SURFACE OR TRAY.

STEP FOUR

ROLL THE PINECONE IN THE SEED MIXTURE UNTIL IT IS THOROUGHLY COVERED.

STEP FIVE

THAT'S IT! GO HANG YOUR PINECONE UP OUTSIDE IN A SHADY SPOT, AND GET READY TO SEE THE BIRDS COME AND ENJOY A SPECIAL TREAT!* AND REMEMBER. WHEN YOU SEE A BIRD AT YOUR BIRD FEEDER, REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA!

*IF YOUR PINECONE FEEDER FEELS TOO SOFT AND MELTY, WRAP IT IN WAX PAPER AND PUT IN THE FREEZER FOR A WHILE BEFORE HANGING IT UP OUTSIDE.







