



Teaching Guide for Adults

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Leader Background Information

Kentucky Baptists through the leadership of Kentucky WMU observe the Season of Prayer for State Missions in September. The suggested dates are September 10-17, 2017. **Rise Up and Shine** is based on the Isaiah 60:1-3 NLV. The focal passage is the first part of verse one: *“Rise up and shine, for your light has come.”*

Desired Outcome

Adults will learn about internationals and all the ministries supported by the Eliza Broadus Offering[®], pray for missionaries in Kentucky, and give to the Eliza Broadus Offering for State Missions[®].

Before the Session

1. Read the Master Article for 2017. Pray for God’s guidance as you prepare to lead your specific audience.
2. View all of the video segments on the 2017 State Missions DVD. Prepare to show the ones suggested in this teaching plan or that you select for the mission study based on time available and special interests of your congregation.
3. Pray that God will prepare the hearts of your congregation/group to both hear and understand how they can be involved in ministering to internationals in your community.
4. Promote the date/time/location of the adult study. Publicize the study throughout the church via clearly displayed signs, the church bulletin, newsletter, and website. Also utilize social media to promote the event (Facebook, Twitter, personal text messages to cell phones, E-vite, etc.).
5. Obtain Rise Up and Shine prayer guides and Eliza Broadus Offering (EBO) envelopes for participants. Print copies of the 2017-18 EBO Allocations included with this teaching plan.
6. Print copies of the current issue of InterSEED, a monthly prayer calendar for Kentucky missionaries, to share during prayer time. Available from: kybaptist.org/interseed.
7. Optional activity: Print copies of the Biblical Basis of Missions – Some Selected References (included with this teaching plan) to help participants understand God’s intent that all peoples will know Him.
8. Enlist people to assist with the study:
 - A volunteer to lead one or more music selections suggested for the emphasis or a person to sing a solo.

2017 State Missions Emphasis Highlights

Suggested Date: September 10-17, 2017

Suggested Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-5 (New Life Version)
(Note: If your church has a preferred translation, please use it.)

Focal Verse: “Rise up and shine, for your light has come” (Isaiah 60:1a NLV).

Suggested Music:

- *Rise Up, O Men of God*
- *Rise and Shine*
- *Arise, Your Light Has Come*
- *Sunlight*
- *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*
- *Lead Me to the Cross*
- *Shine, Let Your Light Shine – Brian Howard (1998)*
- *The Very Next Thing – Casting Crowns (2016)*
- *God’s Not Dead (Like a Lion) – Newsboys (2012)*
- *Live It Out – Abandon (2011)*
- *Carry the Light – Twila Paris (1988)*

Master Article (print from DVD) – information about featured ministries in Kentucky.

2017 Videos

- International Students
- Friendship International
- Ethnic/Language Missions
- Internationals in Your Community – Nik Ripken
- Bonus Videos: Operation Inasmuch, and others

All 2017 state missions materials and videos are also available online: kywmu.org/ebo

- A volunteer to provide technical support for the video clips to be shown as well as the sound system, if necessary.
- A volunteer to close the session with prayer for state missions. Ask him/her to specifically pray for the missionaries and ministries presented during the study as well as the requests on the prayer guide.
- One or two volunteers to hand out materials for the session.

During the Session

1. Welcome participants as they arrive.
2. Open the session with prayer, asking God to use this time to teach participants more about How to Befriend Internationals and Friendship International, and how they can help make a difference in Kentucky.
3. Use music to begin the emphasis. Refer to the list of recommended music.
4. Say: *What do you think of when you think of walking out of the darkness? One picture of darkness is someone walking out of a coal mine in the far eastern hills of Kentucky. Many of us may have never been in a coal mine but from my understanding, there is nothing but pitch black. The darkness consumes everything and there is no light to be found unless there is a head lamp or other portable lighting devise to show the way. The same illustration holds true with the spiritual darkness we live in every day. The same darkness that covers the world. Darkness is all around us. Satan presses us from every angle he can possibly get to. He hides in every nook and cranny. He tries to completely consume us in his darkness. But just like the old camp song says, it only takes a spark. Jesus is that spark. His light can drive out every bit of darkness in the world and in our own life.*
5. Say: *Nik Ripkin, Kentucky missionary and author of two books, has much to say about the darkness and persecution that internationals are living in. Nik challenges believers with some tough questions that he asks throughout his books. One series of questions asks: "What if the worst persecution today was having little or no access to Jesus? Am I a persecutor when I keep my faith to myself, only within the environment of the church?" Consider these questions as we watch the video from Nik.*
6. Show the video clip "Internationals in Your Community."
7. Say: *Nik is very insightful in the persecution that internationals face today. Most of Nik's perspective comes from his extensive travels to see and hear firsthand how Christians around the world are treated for their faith. He says, "It is a great honor to walk across the street to share Jesus with your neighbor. A large percentage of people in America, along with most of the Western world, do not believe that Jesus is the Son of God, nor is He the only way to eternal life." Are you going to be a persecutor by keeping Jesus within the walls of the church or are you going to go out and share Jesus across the street, around your neighborhood, and across our state?*
8. Say: *Now let's look at a ministry that ministers to internationals right here in Kentucky. Friendship International has three locations across Kentucky in Lexington, Louisville, and Paducah. Each location has different classes, but all of them share the love of ministering to internationals by going across the street to them. Every group has an ESL class that assists them in learning English as a Second Language. They offer other classes to help the student get adjusted and familiar with the area they live in and tools that will help them get acclimated to their new situation. They also offer child care for members to be able to bring their children to learn that Jesus loves them as well.*
9. Show the video clip for Friendship International.



10. Say: *How can you get involved with internationals right where you are?*
11. Spend a few moments conversing about possible ministry opportunities in which your church or group could participate to minister to internationals in your area. What types of needs do they have? Where can they go to receive assistance and have questions answered about how to have their needs met? Do their children need extra help learning? Are there cultural barriers that are keeping them from integrating into the school system and other systems? How can I share the love of God with them? How can our church share God's love with internationals?
12. Say: *As you can see there is a great need to minister and share the love of Jesus to internationals where we live. The Eliza Broadus Offering helps to support many different ministries in this area. Are you ready to Rise Up and Shine the light of Jesus on those around you? That is exactly what God has called us to do.*
13. Optional activity: Distribute the handout with selected references for the Biblical Basis of Missions. Read several as time permits. Say: *The heart of God for the nations is found throughout the Bible. Take this list home with you and read these scripture references, looking for God's intention that all peoples would know Him.*
14. Distribute copies of the Rise Up and Shine prayer guide, Eliza Broadus Offering Allocations, and offering envelopes. Discuss how the funds are used through the Kentucky Baptist Convention, Baptist Associations, ministries which apply to Kentucky WMU for grants, and for missions education through Kentucky WMU.
15. Distribute copies of the current InterSEED prayer calendar and share how this can be downloaded monthly to pray for Kentucky missionaries.
16. Say, *"Our church goal is \$_____ for state missions through the Eliza Broadus Offering. You can see the need for prayer and participation in these ministries. Each ministry also depends on our sacrificial giving. I encourage you to seek God's guidance on how much you will give so people can experience God's light. May we remember this week to Rise Up and Shine.*
17. Close in prayer for state missions and ministries with internationals. Pray for each request on the prayer guide and for Kentucky missionaries.

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Kentucky State Missions,
Associations & Special Ministries,
And Missions Education

2017-18 State Missions Allocations

Kentucky Baptist Convention	\$875,000
Missions Mobilization	400,000
State Missionaries.....	200,000
Church & Community Missions, LoveLoud Initiatives	85,000
Metro Ministry Centers.....	30,000
Missions Mobilization Coordinator	30,000
Ministry Centers Buildings	10,000
State Missionaries Retreat.....	3,000
Disaster Relief Ministry, Training, Equipment.....	35,000
Refugee Ministry	7,000
Evangelism & Church Planting	455,000
Church Planting (Anglo/Language).....	220,000
Church Planter Network, Resources, Training	15,000
LIFE Project/Tell Your Story/Affinity Evangelism.....	37,000
Evangelism Strategy Implementation (Reset, Refocus, Replenish).....	30,000
Reach Evangelism Conference	5,000
Revive Evangelism Events	8,000
Hispanic Bible Institute.....	10,000
Hispanic Evangelism/Missions Conference.....	4,000
Ethnic Evangelism.....	3,000
Baptist Campus Ministry	45,000
International Student Ministry	78,000
Capitol Chaplain	20,000

Kentucky Baptist Associations & Special Ministries **\$135,000**

All Kentucky Baptist Associations will be given a ministry grant of \$500 provided the association meets EBO grant guidelines. Additional requests for Special Ministries Funds may be made through an application process.

Kentucky Baptist affiliated ministries may apply, including ministries of associations, MSC missionaries, etc.

The deadline for submitting an EBO allocation request from the 2017-18 offering is **December 15, 2017**.

Download instructions and application form: kywmu.org/eboapplication.

Kentucky WMU **\$240,000**

Missions Education, Leader Development, Resource Materials	125,000
Missions Events, Kentucky Changers, Camps & Overnights.....	53,800
Missions Promotion & Season of Prayer	61,200

ELIZA BROADUS OFFERING GOAL **\$1,250,000**



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Biblical Basis of Missions – Some Selected References

Read these references, looking for God's intention that all peoples would know Him.

Genesis 3:15
Genesis 12:1-3
Genesis 18:17-18
Genesis 22:15-18
Genesis 26:1-5
Genesis 28:12-17

Exodus 19:3-6
Leviticus 19:33
Numbers 14:20-25
Deuteronomy 10:11-22

Joshua 2:8-14
Joshua 9:1-27
Ruth
1 Kings 8:41-43
1 Kings 17:8-24
1 Kings 19:15-18
2 Kings 5:1-19
Ezra 1:1-4

Psalms 2:6-8
Psalms 22:27-28
Psalms 47
Psalms 67
Psalms 96
Psalms 117
Psalms 145
Psalms 150

Isaiah 9:6-7
Isaiah 11:1-10
Isaiah 42
Isaiah 49:6
Isaiah 52:10 – 54:3
Isaiah 55:3-5
Isaiah 56:3-8
Isaiah 60:1-3

Jeremiah 16:19-21
Ezekiel 39:21-24
Daniel 6:25-27

Joel 2:28-32
Jonah 1:1-2; 3:1-2, 10; 4:11
Micah 4:1-3
Micah 5:2-9
Micah 7:16-17

Habakkuk 2:14
Zephaniah 2:11
Zechariah 2:10-11
Zechariah 9:9-10
Malachi 1:9-11

Matthew 2:1-12
Matthew 24:14
Matthew 28:19-20
Mark 11:15-17
Luke 1:30-33
Luke 2:10-14
Luke 2:28-32
Luke 4:16-30
John 4

Acts 1:8
Acts 10
Acts 13
Acts 16:9-10, 23-40

Romans 3:29
Romans 10:12

1 Corinthians 12:13
Ephesians 3:2-12
Galatians 3:14, 28
Colossians 3:11
1 Thessalonians 1:4
2 Timothy 4:17

Revelation 5:9-10
Revelation 7:9-12
Revelation 22:17