

Three more ideas for families to use with Blaze

- **1. Write a letter to one of the PCI global mission workers or other missionary family.** Global mission workers love hearing from individuals or churches with words of encouragement and prayers. Help children, families and other members of your congregation to write letters or emails addresses are available from the PCI website.
- 2. Learn about where the food we buy comes from and then try to buy and eat locally and seasonally for a week. Being a global disciple and thinking about creation care also involves thinking about food miles and how what we eat affects the world.

Use the Food Miles Calculator, *Foodmiles.com* to see how far some of the food in your house has come. Are there ways that you can reduce the food miles in your house?

Can you find any food in the supermarket that has been produced in Kenya, especially from the food that has been mentioned in children's ministry? (coffee, tea, bananas, passion fruit, pineapples, avocados)

3. Harvest themed: How could you give everything you have to Jesus this week? In children's ministry you may have been looking at the story of the Feeding of the 5000 in the extension activities that come with Blaze.

The following is what was taught:

Bible passage: John 6:1-15 (Jesus feeds the 5000).

The little boy in the story did not have very much – just a small amount of food. Certainly not enough for all those people. But I don't think that he was thinking about feeding all those people – he just knew Jesus was there and he wanted to give him everything he had. And that's all Jesus asks of us. That is our harvest. We don't have to have a lot. He just wants us to give him everything, and thankfully! He wants your love and your fears and your voice and your courage and your heart.

And what did Jesus do with the small amount the boy gave him? He fed 5000 people (plus a few more) and there were baskets full left over. He did an amazing miracle. And he can do amazing things with what you give him as well! Pray as a family to ask God to show you the harvest that he wants from you and then ask him to do amazing things with it!

