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Children's address

Note to whoever is taking children's address

Below are ideas for how to top and tail the Digital Dispatch from the Cowans to be used in autumn. The Dispatch is part of the next set of resources for the Blaze the Bee initiative.

****DO NOT MENTION BEFORE THE VIDEO THAT IT'S THE COWANS AND THAT THEY ARE IN KENYA****

What is the thing that you most associate with bees?

What do you think of when you think about bees?

(Answer: honey)

Honey is something that we all know about. It is made by bees in many different countries around the world. However, how bees collect nectar and make honey can be different in different places.

Blaze the Bee has gone on a long trip this autumn to meet another global mission worker and learn what they have been doing to help others where they live, using their gifts and talents. Blaze is particularly excited on this trip to visit some other bees and see how they make honey.

Let's watch the video and see where Blaze has been!

****video of Digital Dispatch****

The project uses what the honey collectors know to teach them about God, using illustrations that relate to their work, e.g., telling them about God's Word being like honey. It says in Psalm 119:103: "How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!". What do you think that means? I mean we can't actually eat the Bible!

Well, we might not eat the Bible, but we certainly take in and "digest" God's Word. The psalmist in this passage talks about God's law, the Bible, is wonderful, keeping the psalmist wise and full of understanding. But what does it mean that God's Word is that way? We know that the Bible contains the true words of God, given to us so that we know what God loves and thinks. It also helps us know how to live.

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The Bible isn't just a collection of random words and stories or a list of rules. It is an instruction manual for how to live our lives. We can think about what the words mean and how they help us and make our lives better. When we think of it that way, it really is as sweet as honey! We can always go back to God's Word, if we are not sure what it means, or you can't read it very well yet. We can ask God to help us understand it and ask other people to help us too.

Let's pray for the Cowans in Tuum using the prayer points from the end of the video:

- Pray that the honey business continues to grow in Tuum.
- Pray that God's Word will be as sweet as honey for those who hear it in Tuum.
- Praise God for the relationships that Stephen and Angelina have built with the honey collectors.