

SESSION 2

What We Know... What We Wonder... What We Learn



VERSE: “For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord plans to prosper you and not to harm you plans to give you hope and a future. ”

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

READY: Materials needed:

- Elizabeth and Stella Meet Zoe Empowers book (Find at <https://zoeempowers.org/zoe-inspired-childrens-book-released/>)
- Large visual writing space (whiteboard, chalkboard, poster board)
- Markers/chalk
- World map/globe
- Zoe information (optional)

SET: Draw out on the Board or writing space

What I Know

What I Want To Know

What I Learned

GO: Welcome to the TWC clubhouse detectives. Today we are going to read a story our field agent sent to us called *Elizabeth and Stella Meet ZOE*. This story is going to share the story of two girls: one lives in America and the other in Kenya. Has anyone ever traveled to another country? Let's look at a map. Have students first identify where they live then identify where Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, Liberia and India are located. Let's see what we know about Kenya? Has anyone ever been to Kenya? What do you think about when you hear about the country of Kenya? What do you think life is like for children there? Allow children to share what they know about Kenya. At this point it is OK if their answers are not correct, they are brainstorming. What would they like to learn about Stella, Zoe Empowers, and Kenya? Read the story. At the completion of the story, ask students what they have learned. See if there is anything they thought they knew that we might need to change.

- Leader pass out clue books and have agents place name on book. You will now read the following clue to the group and have them record it (by pasting it on the page) in their detective notebook. If possible collect detective books and keep for next session.

Clue: Across the world, children are caring for children because one or both parents have died of poverty, disease, war, famine and other causes. They face lives of loneliness, hardship and hunger. Many of them end up begging for food, living on the streets, or worse. Zoe Empowers partners with communities where orphaned and vulnerable children live. TOGETHER, they bring children into supportive groups and connect them to local resources, training and churches that empower them to break the cycle of poverty in just three years.

Keyword: TOGETHER

Prayer: Dear Lord, Help us to learn to be generous givers. Thank you for giving us hope for a better future for us and the world. Amen.