

Mission Together

Day of Many Colours – Reaching Out



Today we celebrate how Mission Together enables children all over the world to be 'Children helping Children'. Through our prayers and sharing we use our hands to bring God's love into the world.

Our prayers unite us in love and friendship and, by sharing what we have, children living in poverty overseas can access food, school, safety, medicine and much more. Children learn that they are loved by God, our Father, and that there are children all over the world who care about them.

When children are 'Children helping Children' it's as if they are joining hands and giving the world a great big hug.

For this activity children will need:

- Copies of Appendix One or Two
- Coloured pens/pencils
- Scissors

Instructions

Below is a list of greetings from different countries. Select those applicable to the age and ability of your pupils and copy the selected greetings and translation on a whiteboard. Read a few out together. If you have a Mission Together Prayer Poster or World Map you could point out the countries where the greetings are used.

Ask pupils to draw around their hand, using the sheet on Appendix One. For younger children, you may wish to use Appendix Two, where the hand is already drawn. Then ask the children to write one greeting on their hand. If they know a greeting in another language they may choose to use that instead. After they have written their greeting, the children can colour and decorate their hand.

When they have finished, and if permitted, take a photograph of each child with their hand (or just the sheet with their hand) and please send to missiontogether@missio.org.uk or tweet @MissioUK using #MissionTogether #DOMC

CHINESE MANDARIN: *Ni hao ma* – Hello, how are you?

HINDI: *Namaste* – Hello (literal translation is 'I bow to the divine in you')

CZECH: *Dobrý den* – Good day

ITALIAN: *Ciao!* – Hello (also goodbye)!

ARABIC: *As-salamu alaykum* – Peace be upon you

SWAHILI: *Jambo!* – Hello!

SPANISH (El Salvador): *Buenos dias* – Good day

CREOLE (Haiti): *Enchante* – Pleased to meet you

YUGARA (Aboriginal): *Gurumba bigi* – Good day

TONGAN: *Mālō e lelei* – Hello

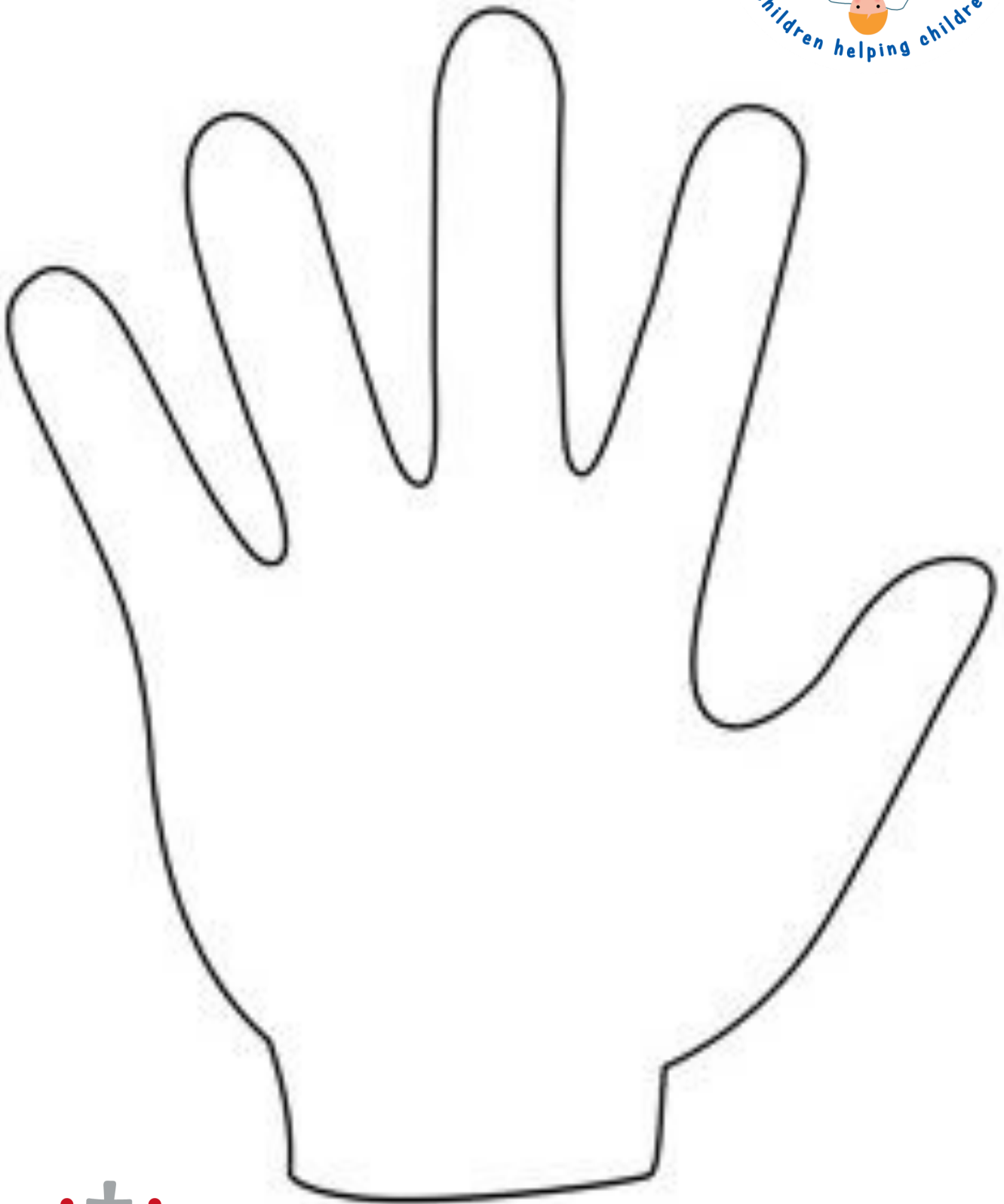


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