

NEW HEIGHTS

Beyond the Box

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*And he said to them,
“Go into all the world and proclaim the
gospel to the whole creation.”*

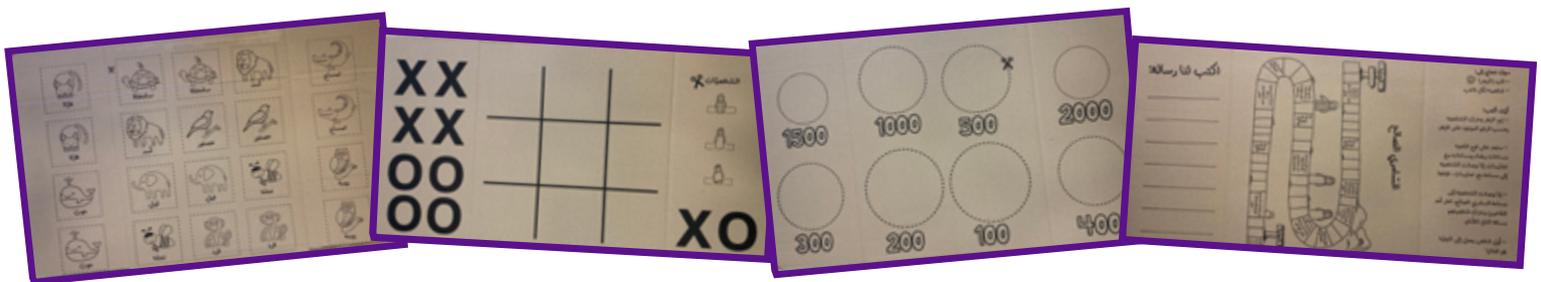
Mark 16:15

Blessed Encounters

November marks the third month of New Height's Beyond the Box project, initiated in August in response to the Beirut explosion.

With the support of our partners, our team prepared and distributed child-centered relief boxes to children from families affected by the explosion. The effect however, as the project name suggests, went Beyond the Box. Families welcomed our team for hour-long home visits, and expressed interest, not only in the parcels, but in knowing more about God's love.

Every month, the box design and packaging centers around a certain theme. This month, the box was made up of fun activities such as a board game centered around the story of the Good Samaritan, a Sandbag Toss game, and a memory game. The box also included, as usual, child-centered food packets, Bible activities, and trauma-healing material.



It was a joy to see the children's excitement upon seeing us! With every visit, our team was able to both play with the children, and engage in christ-centered conversations with the family as a whole. Remarkably, children were more interested in spending time with the team, than in the goodies and treats they received. This shows us how great the need is for them to have healthy and christ-centered interactions.

During our home visits, we realized the need for trauma-healing sessions to help children deal with stress and anxiety, and learn coping skills that would ensure their mental and emotional well-being. Parents have been sharing with us the challenging experiences that their children are passing through following the August 4th explosion. Unfortunately, children have not received any psychological help to aid them in overcoming the trauma. This is why, in addition to the box distribution, we will be running trauma-healing sessions next month.



There is a hunger and thirst for God among people, and we cannot but thank Him for the opportunity to share His love and hope. The team is continually encouraged by testimonies from children and parents. Parents frequently express their gratitude and tell us how much their children love our parcels.

During a conversation with one of our team members, a little girl expressed that she wants to be exactly like her when she grows up! She said that we bring her joy because we talk about God and His love, and she never has such conversations with anyone else.

One parent expressed that her son was eagerly waiting for our visit, and that he enjoys and learns from the Bible stories and Neima episodes.



This Month Please Pray:

- For guidance as the team conducts their home visits. Pray that God would lead the conversations and use the team as they share His love and hope.
- That God would bless the trauma healing sessions that will be held next month and use them to bring emotional and spiritual healing to every traumatized child.

We appreciate your consistent prayers and support!

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