BUILDING BLOCKS OF RECOVERY

Share the story of Mozambique with children at your Sunday School. Use a map of the world to point out the different countries and oceans mentioned below. Then do our building block craft activity with them.

In spring last year, a powerful storm called a cyclone hit the east coast of Africa, striking a country called Mozambique. A cyclone is a swirling storm, like a hurricane or typhoon. The three different storms form in three different places. Hurricanes are found in the Atlantic Ocean near the USA. Typhoons are found in the north of the Pacific Ocean, near Japan. And cyclones are found in South Pacific and Indian Oceans, near Mozambique.

A cyclone brings with it strong winds and fierce rain. Once the winds reach over 74mph, a storm becomes a cyclone. Sadly, the cyclone that hit Mozambique was much more powerful and reached speeds of 120mph.

Beira, a city in Mozambique, was badly damaged. You can see where Beira is from the map above. That’s where many BMS World Mission workers live and where BMS does lots of things to help the country. One of those things is teaching young children just like you. But lots of schools were knocked down in the storm. Can you imagine what would happen if your school was knocked down?

Churches in the UK, like your church, gathered to pray and raise money to help people in Mozambique. Thanks to those churches, BMS has been able to collect £17,000 so the schools can be rebuilt. Now that’s a lot!
INSTRUCTIONS

Sergio Vilela is a BMS mission worker leading the rebuilding team in Mozambique. Will you join us and help us rebuild? The grown-ups in church may have given money to help Mozambique, but we can also help by praying. Write a prayer on the shapes on the next page, decorate your shape and build your house or school. Have a look at the example above to help you.

For the grown-ups

BMS World Mission’s relief ministries

This is what we can achieve when we give to BMS relief ministries. When you give before disasters happen, you help us deliver immediate relief. Help us ensure people in some of the world’s poorest countries, like Mozambique, are not held back by devastating natural disasters.

Thank you for your love and support of BMS’ work. You make all this possible. Please continue to give and help transform lives: www.bmsworldmission.org/disaster-recovery
CRAFT ACTIVITY

Cut out the shapes below to make your own building blocks. The two cuboids can be used for bricks and the prism as a roof.