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QUIVIRA

The previous issue of *Kidz Newz* (see Vol. 5.2) is full of facts about salt, including its' value and the remarkable places God placed it so we will always have enough. I promised that in this issue I would tell you about an amazing salty place near "Aunt Carolyn's" childhood home. So here we go! Grab your hat and boots and join an all-day cattle drive straight west on the plains of central Kansas. After seventeen long miles, we turn the herd south to wide open sand hill pastures with plentiful grass for summer grazing. If we had turned north, however, before us would be a huge salt marsh stretched out on the

would be a huge salt marsh stretched out on the wide prairie. It was the same prairie where Coronado, the Spanish conquistador, searched the fabled Indian "city of gold" in the 1500's. He left without finding any gold, and the prairie salt marsh lay ignored for hundreds of years as useless wasteland, but millions of birds didn't think it useless as they made their semi-annual migrations. Finally, some men concerned about wildlife conservation realized the treasure before them and the **Quivira National Wildlife Refuge** was established in 1955. It was named after the Quiviran Indians, whose teepees and trappings originally spread over the prairie.

It is amazing! In the middle of flatland, thousands of miles from the ocean and 1,750 feet above

sea level, God planted a perfect salt marsh for the benefit of millions of His birds. In the fall, up in the cold north, God stirs an instinct in the birds to go south for the winter. Soon the sky is full of geese, ducks, gulls, terns, and more. Perhaps Mrs. Whooping Crane says to her neighbor, "Well, it's time to go, dear. See you at the marsh!" They spread their beautiful wings and begin their long journey over thousands of miles. Six months later, they will reverse their flight over the same *Great Central Flyway* and once again find the perfect "rest stop" God provided for their journey.

If God provides so perfectly for the birds, don't you think He can provide for boys and girls who put their trust in Him? "... They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing (Ps. 34:10b)."

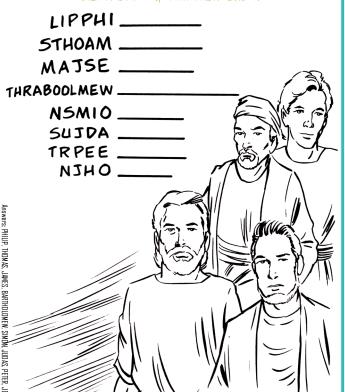


Color the flowers. Look in the <u>Kreative Korner</u> on the other side for an art project when you are done!



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| PUZZLE |
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| UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS TO FIND OUT THE |
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| NAMES OF SOME OF JESUS' DISCIPLES. |
| (HINT: LOOK UP MATTHEW 10:2-4) |



Mother's Day is May 10th

Give your mother blooms that will never wilt! Cut out your completed flower picture and the wreath below to decorate a sign or card. Use construction paper, scissors, glue, paint, markers and other art supplies.





"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you." I PETER 5:7

(Be sure to take your vitamins and say your Vita-Verse every day!)

A little birdie wants to know, can you memorize this verse and say it to your parents or teacher?



-THE WONDER OF IT ALL- "Stand still and consider the wondrous works of God" (Job 37:14).

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The *Quivira National Wildlife Refuge* covers 22,135 acres of marsh, wetlands, and sand hill grasslands. It provides safety for over 345 species of birds and many species of animals. Some animals make *Quivira* their home year-round. Others find it a perfect "Welcome Center" and "Rest Stop" on their semi-annual migrations. It is as if God says, "Okay, you're here, fellers," and they slowly fold their wings and settle onto the marsh for a grand reunion, to rest and refuel. At certain times of the year you can observe thousands of wildlife from boardwalks, bird blinds, and observation towers. You might see mule deer, white-tailed deer, coyotes, raccoons, skunks, bobcats, foxes, beavers, prairie dogs, or muskrats. As for the birds, (perfect for the bird-watching crowd) there are shorebirds, geese, ducks, pelicans, gulls, plovers, terns, whooping cranes and more. Even bald eagles and golden eagles spend their winter on the refuge! Does the *Quivira Refuge* sound like an exciting place to explore? The seeming endless flat central plains, great salt marshes,

and tall prairie grasses filled with the sounds of chirping, singing, quacking, and honking when the magnificent flocks come flying in for their "conventions" must be thrilling! You would want to praise the Lord and burst forth in singing that great hymn by George Beverly Shea, "The Wonder of It All!"

TAKE A VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP TO QUIVIRA!

Go online and type in <u>fws.gov/refuge/Quivira</u> to explore even more fun facts and information!