

Week of Prayer for Foster Care

Option 1: Include these guided prayers in your small group setting as you open or close your time participating with the other missions activities

Option 2: In a large group setting, ask a family (ahead of time) to represent this area of need in prayer. This is a wonderful opportunity to highlight families within your congregation that are already connected or serving in foster care.

Option 3: Ask older children to lead a prayer using this topic guide.

Monday:

Pray for the church.

Pray for every church to be a safe, healing place for children, who have experienced trauma.

Pray that your church would choose a specific way to engage in foster care.

Pray that ministry leaders would inspire others in the church to foster, adopt, and support kids in foster care.

Pray that God would raise up advocates in every church and community that speak up for children and families in foster care.

Tuesday:

Pray for the children.

Pray that every child in foster care would know they are loved by God.

Pray that every child would experience safety and belonging with a foster family, church, and community.

Pray that siblings can stay together in foster care.

Pray that youth aging out of foster care would be connected to the resources and people they need to thrive.

Wednesday:

Pray for healing.

Pray that God will help children in foster care work through their hurts and move towards a bright future.

Pray that counselors and therapists would have the discernment to help children work through trauma and become emotionally healthy.

Pray that foster parents have discernment and compassion in building relationships with the kids they serve.

Thursday:

Pray for the government leaders.

Pray for the emotional well being of social workers as they face many heart-breaking situations, that they will have the support and encouragement needed to fight burn-out and discouragement.

Pray that teachers would be aware of the hurts and needs of vulnerable children in their classes and meet the unique needs of children in foster care.

Pray that judges and attorneys would seek out biblical wisdom when defending vulnerable children.

Pray that local leaders would actively fight against human trafficking, substance abuse, poverty, abuse, and neglect to keep all children safe.

Friday:

Pray for foster families.

Pray that foster families would have the strength and support to work toward the safety and well-being of their children.

Pray for God to call and equip new foster families and that they will be encouraged by a strong community of support to meet their needs.

Pray for enough well-prepared respite providers to provide rest and relief to foster and adoptive families.

Pray that there would be families waiting to foster and adopt every child so no child needs to wait for the protection and provision of a loving family.