

Take a Prayer Walk

We have a unique ability to pray for the people in our communities. Whether or not we know each of our neighbors, we can be aware of their prayer needs just by opening our eyes and ears to our surroundings. Consider taking a walk around your neighborhood or another part of your community to pray for the individuals and families you encounter. Look for signs of what their prayer needs might be.

If on your walk you see a home with a swing set, you might pray for the children who live or play at that home, or if you see a car that has been in an accident, pray for the well-being of the passengers. Or you could pray for the happiness, health and spiritual life of the families and individuals in each home.

More Opportunities to Pray:

- The sound of an ambulance
- The sound of a fire truck or police car
- A child crying (or laughing)
- A funeral procession
- A wedding party outside a church or a "Just Married" sign
- A yellow ribbon on a door or on a tree
- A school or day care facility
- An assisted living home



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"Love your neighbor as yourself."
—Matthew 19:19

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 God, surround my community with your love and be present in the hearts of all of us who live here. 1 John 4:10	2. God, inspire me to be cooperative, generous and friendly to my neighbors. 1 John 3:18	3. God, help me to avoid gossip and refrain from spreading rumors. Proverbs 11:13
4 God, enable the churches in this community to work together and support one another. Romans 12:5	5 God, thank you for the volunteers in my community and their willingness to serve others. Psalm 41:1	6 God, instill a spirit of servant-leadership in the officials elected in my community today. Mark 10:43	7 God, watch over firefighters as they sacrifice their safety to protect the safety of others. 1 Corinthians 16:13	8 God, grant strength to the police officers who work to keep our streets and homes safe. 1 Thessalonians 5:8	9 God, we give thanks for the teachers who inspire our children to learn and explore and grow. Proverbs 22:6	10 God, give my church a vision for how to best support the schools in this community. Matthew 19:14
11 God, we pray for those who serve in the military and for the veterans among us. 2 Chronicles 20:15	12 God, open my eyes to the needs of the elderly in my community. Isaiah 46:4	13 God, show me an opportunity to share my resources and gifts with the poor. Psalm 68:10	14 God, sustain the businesses in this community that offer the many services we need. Matthew 6:19, 21	15 God, constantly remind me to be helpful, understanding, and appreciative of my co-workers. Philippians 2:3	16 God, remind me to show appreciation to waiters, cashiers, and people in the service industry. Colossians 3:12	17 God, we thank you for the wisdom and compassion of our doctors, nurses and healthcare providers. 1 Corinthians 12:9
18 God, show me how to be welcoming to people new to the community. Help them establish a happy home here. 1 Peter 4:9	19 God, influence my actions so that through me, my family and friends learn about you. Philippians 4:8	20 God, teach me to be a good neighbor, to lend a hand or a listen when I am needed. Proverbs 14:21	21 God, help me to never ignore my neighbors, but to love each one as you have loved me. Mark 12:31	22 God, I am thankful for my place in your world, for my home, and for my community. Psalm 24:1	23 God, just as you call us by name, help me to remember the names of people I encounter in my daily activities. John 13:15	24 God, when differences arise in my community, show us a way toward resolution. 1 Peter 5:7
25 God, light the path for our community's college students who have so many decisions to make. John 8:12	26 God, open my eyes and ears to the prayer needs of those around me. Matthew 7:7	27 God, thank you for the diversity that exists in our community. Inspire us to learn from each other. 1 Corinthians 12:7	28 God, guide the decisions of the mayor, city council and leaders of this community. Proverbs 2:6	29 God, I pray that everyone I come into contact with will see you through my words and actions. 1 Corinthians 11:1	30 God, make my church a blessing to this community. May our doors and hearts always be open to people seeking you. Deuteronomy 4:29	 www.ngumc.org