



Children in Poverty Lenten Prayer Calendar

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MARCH 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
			<p>Lord, please surround our children with friends & adults who point them toward you. Amen. Romans 15:1-7 #pray4kids 5</p>	<p>Heavenly Father, let us be the hands and feet of your will. Help us to guide your children and bring them hope. Jeremiah 29:11 #pray4kids 6</p>	<p>Lord we pray Jesus will call our children and no one will hinder them from coming. Matt 19:13-15 #pray4kids 7</p>	<p>Heavenly Father, we pray our children will respond in faith to your persistent call. 2 Peter 3:9 #pray4kids 8</p>
<p>Lord, let us love you with our whole heart, soul and mind and our children the way you have loved them. Matt 22:37-39 #pray4kids 9</p>	<p>Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes a child welcomes me." Matthew 18:5 #pray4kids 10</p>	<p>"Children are our present and our future, our hope, our teachers, our inspiration." Safe Sanctuary Policy, UMC. #pray4kids 11</p>	<p>"You really can change the world if you care enough." - Dr. Marian Wright Edelman. #pray4kids 12</p>	<p>"When we give unconditional love to children, we give the most valuable gift we have." - Katherine M. Olson #pray4kids 13</p>	<p>God, grant us hope, even in the midst of our suffering and the suffering of others. Lamentations 3:25 #pray4kids 14</p>	<p>God, show us the ways to break the cycle of poverty. Psalms 72:12-13 #pray4kids 15</p>
<p>In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you, for this is the law of the prophets. Matthew 7:12 #pray4kids 16</p>	<p>God, show me what is truly valuable to you. Matthew 10:31 #pray4kids 17</p>	<p>A population that doesn't take care of the elderly or young has no future; it abuses both its memory & promise. - PP. Francis #pray4kids 18</p>	<p>Lord, hear the prayers of parents who want a better life for their children. I Corinthians 13:4 #pray4kids 19</p>	<p>"Let the little children come to me, do not stop them, for it's such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." Mk. 10:14 #pray4kids 20</p>	<p>And hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts. Romans 5:5 #pray4kids 21</p>	<p>We know that all things work together for good for those who love God. Romans 8:28 #pray4kids 22</p>
<p>"Never give up on a child." - Patricia Willis #pray4kids 23</p>	<p>Lord, give hope to parents seeking employment. Hebrews 6:10 #pray4kids 24</p>	<p>God, let my church be open to the poor. Romans 12:13 #pray4kids 25</p>	<p>To our God and Father be the glory forever and ever. Philippians 4:20 #pray4kids 26</p>	<p>"May God richly bless our efforts to end the hopelessness and despair of children in poverty." - Anne Shelton #pray4kids 27</p>	<p>God, give fresh energy and renewed hope to those in poverty. Isaiah 40:29-31 #pray4kids 28</p>	<p>Have you heard God's call? Are you willing to volunteer to help children? Isaiah 6:8 #pray4kid 29</p>
<p>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send?" Isaiah 6:8 #pray4kids 30</p>	<p>Lord, remind me that all people are to be loved! 1 Corinthians 13:13 #pray4kids 31</p>			<p>www.umcsc.org</p>		

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		<p>"If we had a war on poverty, then poverty is winning. What is good news for the poor?" Bishop Kenneth Carder. Luke 4:16-21 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, help me remember to proclaim the good news that I CAN do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13 #pray4kids</p>	<p>"Let us march on poverty until no American parent has to skip a meal so that their children may eat." - Martin Luther King, Jr. #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, remind us that Jesus didn't avoid the poor, instead modeled a caring, embracing acceptance for us to emulate. Matt 7:12 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, we know you give us opportunities for sharing your love with those in need. May we embrace the call to serve. 2 Cor. 9:6-12 #pray4kids</p>
<p>Loving God, remind us that in everything your hand will guide & your strength will be sufficient for each day. Isaiah. 41:13 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, bless the many churches and congregations in S.C. that provide Backpack Ministries for children in poverty. Psalm. 46:1 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, there are so many fragmented families today. Bless all the children who need nurture & a place to belong. Ephesians 5: 1-2 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, we haven't loved you with our whole heart or loved our neighbor. We have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us as we #pray4kids</p>	<p>"When we address the issues of poverty, we are being good neighbors." - Bishop Jonathan Holston. Luke 10:29 #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, give grace and peace to your children whose broken lives need your love and comfort. Psalm 72:12-13 #pray4kids</p>	<p>"We must all be Advocates for children...they have no money and can't vote." - Bishop Jack Meadors. #pray4kids</p>
<p>Continue to remind us, that ministry to the poor is part of our Wesleyan heritage. I Timothy 4:12 #pray4kids</p>	<p>"Open our eyes, we pray, to see that every child is made in your image and belongs to you." - Children's Defense Fund. #pray4kids</p>	<p>"All children are our children." - Former Gov. Richard Riley. #pray4kids</p>	<p>"If you want the poor to see Christ in us, we must see Christ in the face of the poor." - Mother Teresa #pray4kids</p>	<p>Lord, we ask a special blessing on the books to be collected for children in need. #pray4kids</p>	<p>"Children make up 25% of our state's population, but 100% of our future." - State Senator John Matthews. #pray4kids</p>	<p>"Ministry happens when just one person reaches out to a child living in poverty." -Martha Thompson. #pray4kids</p>
<p>God, remind us to support ministries that provide better education and training for children living in poverty. John 4:13 #pray4kids</p>						
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