

WELCOME TO CHILDREN'S WEEK OF PRAYER 2021

Please take a walk with me!

Dear Boys & Girls

Did you know that I love to go walking? I love how it makes me feel relaxed, free and happy. I forget all the hard things and only remember the good. This week, we are going to take a walk together. A walk you are asking. Yes! A walk with our best friend Jesus. And since he is with us, I don't have to tell you what an amazing experience it will be. There will be a lot to learn and friends that will share good news along the way. Where will we end up? You need to come along to see. So make sure you join the Holders Hill YouTube channel every night to be a part of this glorious experience.

Some really special people who love you very much have created this booklet for you to enjoy. We want you to read the devotion for each day and complete the activities in your daily devotions. We also want you to take the time to talk to Jesus. He loves it when his children talk to him. It makes his heart glad. You will find a special book in your Week of Prayer packages that you can write all the things that you want to tell Jesus. And guess what? If you take enough time to listen, he will have a special message JUST FOR YOU!

I pray that you have an amazing week.

Auntie Roxanne

My Prayer Focus for Each Day

Sunday – Walking with Jesus through Prayer

Dear Jesus, Help me to remember I can talk to you anytime, anywhere and about anything.

Monday - Walking with Jesus Through Bible Study

Dear Jesus, Please give me the diligence to study and understand my bible and receive all the messages you have for me.

Tuesday - Walking with Jesus Through Worship

Dear Jesus, Help me to always put you first in everything. Please be the center of my life.

Wednesday - Walking with Jesus Through Witnessing

Dear Jesus, Please help me to show others your love.

Friday – Walking with Jesus through Promises

Dear Jesus, Help me never to forget your promises. Help me never to worry because I know you have me covered

Sabbath - Walking with Jesus into Heaven at Last

Dear Jesus, I look forward to the day that I will meet you face to face when we all get to Heaven

July 18th

Day 1: Talk to God About Everything

Written by Auntie Roxanne Beckles-White

Proverbs 18:10

The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

If you have ever read a fairy tale or watched a fairy tale movie, you will know that every princess has to have a fairy god mother. The princess finds herself in trouble and the fairy god mother appears and with the wave of her wand, POOF! Everything is ok again. Have you ever seen a fairy god mother in the good times? I am almost sure you will say no.

Sometimes we treat Jesus like a fairy god mother. When things go wrong we expect him to show up and just fix it. But when things are going well we don't really pay much attention to reading our bibles or saying our prayers.

Jesus loves to help us when we are in trouble, but guess what? He wants to hear from us when things are going well. He wants to know what is happening at school, he wants to know about the friends you have met, the food you love, the things that make you sad and those that make you happy. He wants to be more than our rescuer, he wants to be our friend.

God wants us to tell him how we are feeling. We don't have to use fancy words, we just need to keep it real and tell him what is on our minds and in our hearts. God loves to hear your voice. He wants us to know and understand that we can talk to him about anything, anytime and anywhere.

And just as those that love you do, when you talk to Jesus, he will also talk to you. If we take the time to listen he will share with us many precious words that make each day a happier one.

Dear Jesus, Help me to talk to you about everything in my life! Amen.

ASK GOD TO LEAD YOU EVERYDAY

Have you ever been lost and not known where you were going? It's not a fun feeling. The easiest way to avoid this is to ask for directions from someone with a map. Jesus has the map to life and has the best plan for our life.

Follow the numbers 1-5 and color in the road map on the next page as you ask Jesus to lead you today!

1. Thank You, Jesus, for the plan you have for me!
2. Today I choose your plan for my life, because I know it's the best plan there is!
3. Lead me. Give me words to say. Help me think good thoughts.
4. Help me to be kind to people, be wise, and make good choices.
5. Jesus, please make me more like You every day. In Jesus' name. Amen.

(Proverbs 3: 5-7; Psalm 131:1-3, Isaiah 30:21)

July 19th

Day 2: Pesky Shoelaces

Written by Auntie Heather Ann Agard

Jeremiah 29:12

Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Have you ever gone for a walk? Maybe it was a stroll - just a relaxing walk, or maybe it was fast paced - exercise? You started on your walk, looking at the trees, flowers, occasionally the clouds, admiring the different things in nature, or getting into the rhythm of your steps. All is going well, until you hear a little swishing noise, you look down and realize your lace has become undone. You stop, stoop and take a few moments to tie it back. You continue on your journey, you take a few more steps only to find it has become undone again. What a bother!

In our walk with God, we have many experiences like this 'untied shoe-lace', things that bother us and slow us down, things that distract us. Sometimes we feel like just leaving that lace undone as we continue on our walk. However, we quickly recognize the dangers, we can easily trip and hurt ourselves, so we take the time to deal with that pesky lace and continue on our way.

In our life, we are expected to do the same thing. To keep going, to not let the distractions stop us. We are expected to keep our eyes on the prize, 'making heaven our home'.

God has promised to help us in every situation. On every walk we go on, God is there. He has promised that when we call, He will answer, so let's tie those laces and let's keep walking.

Prayer:

Dear Jesus, please help me to stay focused and in those moments when I may become distracted and may fall, please help me to get up and keep walking, remembering that I can cry out to you at any time. Amen

Journal Prompt:

What are some of the things that distract you now from spending time with God?

What are two (2) things that you can do daily to spend more time with God?

My Story

Hi! My name is _____. I have _____
members in my family. I like to go to
church to learn about _____.

My favorite Bible song is

_____.

I like to ask God to help me _____. I
pray for _____ each night. I really
like the Bible verse:

_____.



This is me.

July 20th

Day 3: To Worship you I Live

By M.S.Lowndes

John 4: 23 – 24

Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

Worship is more than just singing songs. It's a lifestyle! Our lives, everything we say and do, are acts of worship. It's all about being thankful and grateful, not only for all that God does, but also for who He is. And we live our lives out of this gratitude because God is worthy of our praise and thanksgiving.

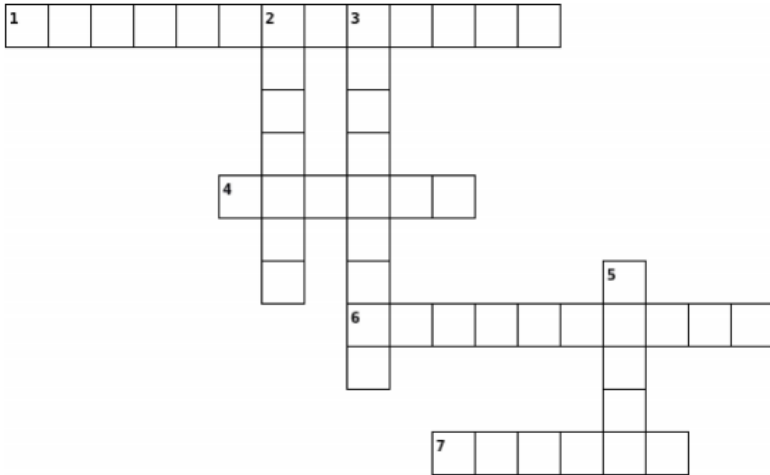
God is Spirit, so our worship must be in Spirit and in Truth. Our outward expression of worship is living a life that pleases Him, because as we express our love for Jesus, we will want to do what we know will please Him. We will:

- Care for those around us;
- Help those who need help;
- Encourage someone who feels sad;
- Put our hands up to do jobs that nobody else wants to do;
- Share what we have with those who don't have;
- Show kindness to others;

It's in the little, everyday things where we express true worship to God. Maybe you can think of somebody you can show God's love to or maybe there are situations where you can serve. By stepping out and showing God's love in practical ways, you are being a blessing to others, which pleases the Father's heart, and this is the lifestyle of worship!

Prayer: Dear Jesus, Help me to worship you in everything I do. Help my life to be joyful and an example to each person I meet.

Walking With Jesus Through Worship



Across

1. Worshipping together as a family
4. Sanctuary or synagogue
6. The special name for a disciple of Christ
7. Talking to God

Down

2. A temple is a place of
3. To respect the Lord
5. God's word

Tools We Need for Walking with Jesus Through Worship

Hello boys and girls, in this activity you will need:

- Scissors - Glue - Marker

Instructions - Carefully cut out the words from the bottom of the worksheet. - As you hear the word in the pres-en-ta-tion, use the glue to stick that word onto the place of worship. - In the last box, use the marker to write your name, then stick in onto the place of worship.

This activity is for night # 3. Please see sheet insert

July 22nd

Day 4: Keeping a Healthy Heart

Written by Auntie Lee Ann Brancker

Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Walking is a great form of exercise. Health experts recommend walking for at least 30 minutes every day. One good thing that happens when you include walking in your exercise routine is that you lose excess body fat. This means that you get rid of the unnecessary fat in your body that can lead to problems with your heart and other illnesses. Walking helps keep your physical body fit and healthy.

Spending time with Jesus everyday is a great way to keep spiritually fit, because it is the best way to get rid of the excess 'fat' in your life like selfishness, disobedience and dishonesty that makes your heart unhealthy. Your heart will become very healthy as you become like Jesus, while showing love, being obedient to your parents and others in authority who tell you to do what is right, and telling others what you learn from God's Word.

So, if you haven't already started, get moving. Your heart, family, friends and others will thank you and Jesus will be pleased.

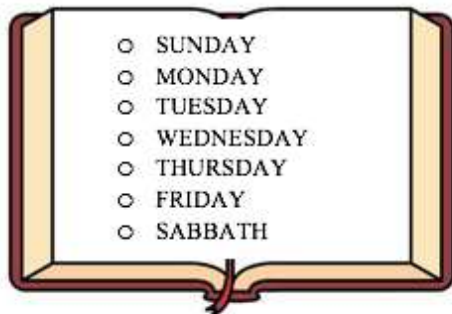
PRAYER FOCUS: *Dear Jesus, help me to have a healthy heart that shows love to you and others.*

As you begin your heart-healthy exercises, use these tackers to record your progress.

Daily Exercise



Daily Devotion



July 23rd

Day 5: Sharing is Caring

Written by Auntie Lee Ann Brancker

Matthew 5:16

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Receiving gifts for your birthday, graduation or other occasion gives you a good feeling, right? That feeling causes you want to tell and show others what special thing or things you have received. You don't hide those gifts in a closet or forget them.

Well, Jesus gives you gifts that you can share with others, such as your talents, not to hide and forget them, but so you can share His love with others.

Can you draw well? Then draw some pictures or design a card and include some encouraging words to share with a sick friend or on social media.

Can you sing? Then call someone you haven't seen at church for a while and cheer him or her up, or volunteer to enhance a church service.

Can you cook or bake? There may be a family in need that you can take a meal to.

Whatever Jesus helps you to do, you can share with others to show you care and be a shining light for Jesus.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, help me to use the gifts You have given me to share Your love with others.

Journal Prompt: Write in your journal one (1) way you can use your talent to share Jesus. Take a picture, if possible, to keep as a reminder of how you felt sharing Jesus.