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These prayers are offered

for _____

that they might grow in love and faith this month.



This special gift of prayer is given

by _____



As today's children grow and develop morally, spiritually, and intellectually, they are faced with a wide variety of options, decisions, temptations, and opportunities. To safely navigate their way in the world, children must make wise choices. To do so, they need the guidance and prayer support from the significant adults in their lives. Whether you are a parent, grandparent, coach, teacher, religious educator, or clergy, here are a month's worth of specific, purposeful prayers to offer for children within your sphere of influence. A quote from Scripture accompanies each prayer.

Day 1

*My God sent his angel and closed the lions'
mouths so that they have not hurt me.
For I have been found innocent before him;
neither have I done you any harm, O king!*

Daniel 6:23

For Faith Like Daniel

Dear God, give my children the courage of Daniel, a young man who survived a night in a lion's den protected by the strength of his faith. Let my children be inspired by his example. May they have faith that if they do what is right and adhere to their values, all will ultimately be well for them. Amen.

Day 2

Jesus said to him, “‘If you can!’ Everything is possible to one who has faith.”

Mark 9:23

For a Positive Attitude

Dear God, help my children understand that disappointments will come and bring with them negative feelings and thoughts about life and people. Give my children the power to dispute negative thinking. Grant them the ability to discourage and banish negative thoughts from permanently settling in their minds. Amen.

Day 3

*May the eyes of [your] hearts be enlightened,
that you may know what is the hope that
belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory
in his inheritance among the holy ones, and
what is the surpassing greatness of his power
for us who believe.*

Ephesians 1:18–19

For a Magnanimous Heart

Remove from my children, dear God, all pettiness, all faultfinding, all pretense, and all self-service. May they be generous in thought, word, and deed. Amen.

Day 4

*He replied, “If he is a sinner, I do not know.
One thing I do know is that I was blind and
now I see.”*

John 9:25