



## **CrossRoads Church Prayer Guide For Our Children and Grand Children**

**“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” (Philippians 4:6)**

**Praise:** “Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.” (Psalm 100:3-5) Thank God for every child by name, then ask for forgiveness for anything the Holy Spirit brings to mind about your attitude or treatment to His children. Thank the Lord for the work He has already done in their lives and the blessings He has shown them.

**“I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.” (Ephesians 3:16-19) **Pray That:** God would send His Holy Spirit into the spiritual hearts to reveal Christ to our children and grand-children. That they be truly born again and live in the fullness and the abundant life promised in Christ.**

**“Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed--not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence--continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.” (Philippians 2:12-13) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will have hearts to obey the Lord and be involved in the things of God even when they are not in our presence. That they would walk in a true fear of the Lord and that they will have a heart that will ask the Lord to do His work in their lives. That God would bring them to a condition in their spiritual heart that says, “Make me hungry to do your will.”**

**“But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.”** (2 Timothy 3:14-15) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will become convinced that what they have learned is true because they have seen the lives of those they have learned it from and the Christian life they have been exposed to will produce fruit that is pleasing to God. They will be made wise and live a life that expresses the salvation of Christ within them.

**“Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the LORD. Blessed are they who keep His statutes and seek Him with all their heart.”** (Psalm 119:1) **Pray that:** Our children and grand-children will have a hunger and thirst for the Word of God and that they will seek Him with all their mind, heart and strength. That they will seek out to learn the Word of God and will desire in their hearts to obey and live what the Bible tells them to do.

**“Let those who love the LORD hate evil, for He guards the lives of His faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.”** (Psalm 97:10) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will not find delight in any kind of evil. They will have the heart of the Psalmist who wrote, “Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” (Psalm 139:23-24) They would look at the Word of God as a mirror and the key source to determine what He calls sin.

**"In your anger do not sin"** (Ephesians 4:26) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will not sin when they become angry and they will surrender everything over to the Lord.

**“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”** (Galatians 5:22-23) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will feed their spiritual hearts the Word of God and be led of the Holy Spirit so they may produce the fruit that should be seen in a Christian’s life.

**“Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.”** (Colossians 3:20) **“Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. They will be a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck.”** (Proverbs 1:8-9) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will obey their parents in the Lord and they will be eager to get direction from their godly parents so that it will go well for them and their children.

**“My son, do not despise the LORD’s discipline and do not resent His rebuke, because the LORD disciplines those He loves, as a father the son he delights in. (Proverbs 3:11-12) “Do not withhold discipline from a child, if you punish him with the rod, he will not die.” (Proverbs 23:13) Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will accept the Lord’s disciplines and they will not be blind to His correction. That we as Christian parents will have the courage to apply disciplines that are guided by the Lord and will cause our children to look to Jesus Christ for help to overcome all sin that longs to destroy their relationship with Him.

**“Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.” (Matthew 5:15-16) Pray That:** That we as parents and grandparents may live in such a way that causes our children and grand-children to praise God for the work He has done in our lives. That our lives would give our children and grand-children a hope that inspires them to look to and put their trust in Jesus Christ as they face the temptations of the flesh and the world and combat the lies of the devil.

**“If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!” (Ecclesiastes 4:10) Pray That:** The Lord would raise up good solid Christian friends that will build and challenge our children and grand-children in the Lord Jesus Christ and that they will mature in the Lord so they can be true Godly friends to their friends.”

**“My son, if sinners entice you, do not give in to them.” (Proverbs 1:10) “Do not be misled: “Bad company corrupts good character.” (1 Corinthians 15:33) Pray That:** The Lord would send the Holy Spirit to remind our children and grand-children of these two passages of Scripture so they can be successful in living for Christ. That our children and grand-children will not be influenced by anyone who could cause them to fall into sin and hurt the Lord.

**Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved.” (Matthew 24:12-13) “Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong.” (1 Corinthians 16:13) Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will be able to stand firm in their Biblical convictions so they will be able to live forever with Christ and be true salt and light in a sin cursed world.

**“Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.”** (Philippians 2:4) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will exercise their spiritual gifts for the good of others, not only for their own good and they would do nothing out of selfish ambition and consider others better than themselves.

**“Wine is a mocker and beer a brawler; whoever is led astray by them is not wise.”** (Proverbs 20:1) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will fear the dangers that can come with partaking in alcohol and drugs and other addictions that would cause them to find pleasure and delight in anything but accomplishing God’s will for them.

**“Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.”** (Colossians 3:19)  
**“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church.”** (Ephesians 5:25)  
**“Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.”** (1 Peter 3:7) **“Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.”** (Colossians 3:18) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will have spouses that were raised in true Christian homes and they will bring great joy to each other. They will have marriages that bring glory and honor to the Lord.

**“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.”** (Proverbs 3:5-6) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will overcome the world’s view on living and have an understanding of what it really means to trust in the Lord. That they will acknowledge Him as they live down here on this earth so they can enjoy the path of life that He has chosen for them and they will be able to discern what doors He has opened for them.

**“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.”** (1 Corinthians 4:2) **“He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of men’s hearts. At that time each will receive his praise from God.”** (1 Corinthians 4:5) **Pray That:** Our children and grand-children will prove faithful to everything the Lord has entrusted to them.

The call to pray is from God’s Word and we are given a sure promise, **“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.”** (James 5:16b) Have assurance that the Lord God has heard and will answer your prayers.