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IDEAS FOR LOCAL CHURCH PRAYER MINISTRIES
Adult, Youth, Kids, and Missions Ideas

Raising the Level of Prayer

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Adults

Hospital Prayer List—This is a great idea to reach hurting people. Check with area hospitals and get permission to put a prayer request book in the waiting room with the church name, address and phone number printed on it. Designate someone to pick up the book each week and have the church pray over it.

Stand in Their Place—When making urgent requests public at meetings, have someone stand in place of the needy person (if the person in need is not there). For a sick child, have another child stand in front of the group. This gives people a point of focus. If praying for a missionary family, select a family suitable to match the family needing prayer.

Knocking on Doors—When knocking on doors for evangelism purposes, instead of introducing yourself as a member of your church, have a clipboard in hand and tell them that you are out praying for your city, one area at a time. Ask them if they have a special need or prayer request. Almost without fail, they will give you a request and then ask what church you are from. Take the request back to prayer group, pray over it and follow up with a card that lets them know that you prayed for

their specific need (ex. "Dear Joan, we wanted to let you know that we prayed for Sally").

Yearly Prayer Calendar—Establish a personal prayer calendar to help develop a broad spectrum of prayer. (For example, during the month of January focus on repentance, cleansing and fresh direction. For the month of September, focus prayers on children and young people going back to school.)

Computer Prayer Reminder—How about making your computer password the name of a church leader or a divisional leader? Each time you type it in, take a minute to pray for that individual.

Sunday Morning Prayer—A program started in Louisiana where the men of the church meet at 8:00 AM on Sunday morning. They have a short time of fellowship and then they go to each Sunday school room and pray through the rooms for their children and their teachers. They also walk through the pastor's office and the sanctuary praying for the leadership of the service, protection on all of the families in the church and God's blessings on the entire church. (This can be done anytime, even at youth service)

Cleaning—(This would be great for a cleaning day at church) Assign a topic of prayer to each chore that you have. Pray for the assigned need while doing a specific chore.

Naming God—Think of the ways we think of God. Father, gracious Lord, Creator, Christ Jesus, Shepherd, heavenly King, Holy Spirit, beautiful Savior, etc.

Pray the Announcements—Ever get bored with announcements made in church gatherings? Why not anoint them with prayer? State the announcement then have corporate prayer for the event. Example: "Vacation Bible School will begin in June." Pray for God's blessing on the activity. Pray that the hearts of the children will be ripe to hear about God. Pray for guidance, direction and anointing on the workers. "Outreach will be Saturday morning at 10:00AM." Pray that God will help each person to see the need for outreach and that they will be burdened for lost souls. That all will be safe as they knock on doors. That hearts will be open to hear the gospel and that hungry souls will want to come to know Jesus Christ.

Pray the Newspaper—It is difficult not to become depressed as you read through your local newspaper. When you read of the wars, crime and violence it is enough to burden the strongest of Christians. Why not pray for the needs as you read? Pick a day and let your newspaper be your prayer list.

Entering the Prayer Zone—Think about all the times you drive through a school zone. You hit the brakes and watch for pedestrians, all the while thinking about where you are headed. Being a Prayer Zone Partner

could change that. If you are concerned about what is happening in schools these days, here is an opportunity to do something. Pray every time you enter a school zone. Pray for the school and its students, teachers and administrators. You may also want to pray for the school your child, grandchild, or friend's child attends. What better way to spend this "slowed down" time? (Youth Alive - Springfield, MO)

Four Cardinal Rules of Prayer

1. One learns to pray by praying. What is crucial is that we are really on a journey, not just thinking about the journey or talking about it.
2. Pray as you can; don't pray as you can't. Don't try to be something you are not. Find the approach to God that fits your level of spirituality.
3. Don't just pray when you feel like it.
4. When a man or a woman has an intense desire to grab hold of God, they move and act; they respond and pray. Without that hunger, they are simply playing spiritual games. If the intense desire is lacking, fall on your knees before God and beg for the gift.

Picture This—One California church reports that they use photos as part of their intercessory prayer time for each other and others in need. Each person in the prayer ministry purchases a small photo album and puts pictures of people on his prayer list into the album, as well as all those in the prayer ministry group. Opposite each photo is a card with the person's phone number and appropriate verse to use when praying for that person. Each member is encouraged to provide their own photos and a verse for other members of the group.

For example, if a person is struggling with worry, he could choose one of the

power of prayer. Global information can be found easily on the internet.

Directed Prayer—Use chalkboard poster or newsprint to list missionaries' names. Guide the group in praying step by step for: (1) physical well being (2) spiritual growth (3) relationships with family (4) relationships with fellow missionaries (5) relationships with national Christians.

Nationals—Ask several people to wear the national dress of some of the countries represented on the prayer calendar. Pray for the missionaries in the context of their relationships to national Christians.

Write A Note—Give each person the name of a missionary and a post card or other writing paper. Ask each person to write a note of support to the missionary and to pray for that missionary each day that week.

Feature One—Find out several interesting facts about one country or state one province one missionary or one kind of missionary job and tell about what you found – then pray accordingly.

World Events—Make a list of world events and have your children pray for them. This begins to teach them not to just pray for themselves and the things that affect their busy life but to pray for the needs of others. If we can teach them to pray for the "big things" when they are small then we do not have to reprogram them when they are adults.

Praying Through the Week for Missionaries

Day 1: Sunday—The Missionary's Own Relationship to God, feeding on the Word, prayer life led by the Spirit, maturity and growth, victory over Satan, sin and temptation.

Day 2: Monday—The Missionary's Physical and Emotional Life - Adaptation to climate, health in the midst of disease, safety in danger, victory over loneliness depression.

Day 3: Tuesday—The Missionary's Family - Relationships with others, family life as a model for nationals, family members stateside or otherwise.

Day 4: Wednesday—The Missionary's Ability to Communicate - Language study, continual improvement in fluency, cultural adaptation and understanding.

Day 5: Thursday—The Missionary's Ministry - Teaching, preaching, witnessing, boldness and open doors, prepared hearts, fruitfulness.

Day 6: Friday—The Missionary's Relationships with Fellow Workers, other missionaries, national evangelists, pastors and teachers.

Day 7: Saturday—The Missionary's Country of Service Government - national and local political situation visas continued open doors, outreach to cities, villages and tribes.

Prayer Map—As our postmodern teens have been raised in the virtual world of the internet and video games, many of them are visual and tactile learners. It is wise to play off that reality and download maps and information about life for teenagers around this ever shrinking world. Jesus modeled for us that there is value and power in using your hands to make physical contact by touch while praying for them.

Read about the needs of people from a particular congregation or country. Encourage touching the map while you look at the country and pray. This prayer idea has many positives as it increases our global awareness, sensitivity to others, and reinforces the

verses on peace. Another option is to choose from a list of verses dealing with the fruit of the Spirit. Additional verses can be added as new needs and situations arise. During the week, group members use the photo and verse combination to pray in an insightful manner. The albums serve as a reminder to pray, and they also encourage the group to develop a sense of family.

Four Ways Adults Can Help Kids Pray

1. Let them catch you praying – at night, in the morning, at meals, when you've lost your temper, when you're caught in traffic. There you might pray out loud for each member of your extended family, wherever each one may be at the time. Kids imitate us: that's how they learn.

2. Pray with kids. Insist on a table grace, a night time prayer, a morning prayer, or a weekly or daily family devotional.

3. Create family rituals. On birthdays have prayer before you light the candles on the cake. On anniversaries, thank God out loud, in front of the kids for your partner.

4. When bad things happen, remind everyone that God can forgive and heal what we cannot.

The Five Finger Prayer

1. Your thumb is closest to you. The thumb reminds us to pray for those closest to us - our family and friends.
2. Your pointer finger, or index finger, reminds us of teachers who point things out to us. Pray for the people who teach you - pastors, teachers, children's Church leaders, Sunday school teachers, school teachers, coaches, Girl Scout and Boy Scout leaders, etc.
3. Your middle finger is the longest,

which reminds us to pray for those who are in authority over us. Try to wiggle your middle fingers without moving any other fingers. Many people can't move them without moving any other finger. Those in authority over you (your middle finger) move other people (fingers) to do things.

4. Your ring finger is next to your little finger. It is one of your weakest fingers, so it reminds you to pray for those who are weak - the sick and the unsaved.

5. Your little finger is the smallest finger of all. It represents you. We are to think more highly of others than ourselves (the little finger); therefore, your little finger reminds you to pray for yourself. While it is important to spend time praying for others, you should also remember to pray for your own needs.

6. Your whole hand reminds you that God holds the whole world in His hand. End your prayer with praise and worship to God. So, raise your hands to God and give Him praise. Most of the time, we pray more for ourselves than we do for others. This helping hand prayer will help you to remember who to pray for.

Prayer Reminders—Often in spite of good intentions to pray more each day, the time slips by and we haven't prayed. Here are some "crutches" I use to remind me to pray at different times.

1. At 7:30 AM, a school bus passes by my house. It reminds me to pray for the safety of students, teachers and other school employees.
2. When I read the newspaper, I check the hospital list. It reminds to pray for those who are ill and those who care for the ill. I also look at the obituaries and pray for the hurting family members of the deceased.

3. Whenever I hear a siren or see an emergency vehicle, I pray for those who in pain or danger. I pray for wisdom for their caregivers.

4. At the grocery store, I pray for the people I see. As I am filling my basket with food supplies, I pray for those less fortunate and for those who are hungry.

This list could go on and on. Each day, look for your own reminders and opportunities for prayer.

Start a Prayer Triplet—Based on Matthew 18:19-20, a prayer triplet is a simple convenient way to win people to Christ. First of all, choose two Christian friends or relatives to make your triplet. Each of you chooses the names of three people who need salvation and choose a country or people group where Jesus' name is not known. Agree on a time to meet once a week to pray together - just 15 minutes at home, at work, at school, before or after a meeting is all it takes. Pray together for the nine people by name for salvation and their personal needs. Also pray for the country and people group chosen. Involve yourself with the three people you have chosen to pray for as much as possible. Have the triplet members pray for each other as each seeks to do this. As your friends become Christians, continue to pray for them as well as for new unsaved friends.

Praying for Prodigals—A pastor in Texas spoke about how we all know someone who is away from the Lord - a son or daughter, grandchild, sibling, friend, maybe even a parent. On each side of the pulpit stood a table with several pens and small sheets of paper. Each person was invited to come to the front, write down the first name or initials of the prodigal and places his

or her name in the basket. The baskets were literally lifted up into the air as a way of symbolically putting them before God's throne. Intercessory prayer followed. After the service, the names were taken to the prayer room where prayer teams spent the next few weeks praying for these people.

Focused Prayer Around the Clock - Each month select a theme to be the focus of 24 hours of prayer. (Evangelism, summer camps, healing needs, families, church staff, violence in schools, etc.) Put together a prayer guide for each theme which offers specific things to pray, appropriate scriptures, songs for meditation, and space so that pray-ers can write down what God might be saying to them or burdening them with on the subject. If the church has a website, the guide should also be made available there. Each prayer vigil is divided into 30 minute segments and individuals can sign up for one or more slots. The goal is to pray focused prayer around the clock.

Praying for Your Church's Finances—Apply the principle of sowing and reaping by creating a special notebook or rolodex file in your prayer room to hold business cards. Each Sunday, as the offering is being taken up, ask the people to place their own business card in the offering plate so that the intercessors can pray over them during the week. Beseeking God to pour out His blessing and prosperity over the businesses of your church honors Him. Some pray-ers might even want to write short notes to the business owners to let them know that they are being prayed for. As you minister to the community in this way, your church will reap what it needs as well. God promises it!

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Missions

Prayer for World Needs—Form groups of no more than four and give each group a newspaper section filled with world news. Say: "Your group has 5 minutes to search your newspaper for one situation you want us to pray for, such as gang violence, drugs, famine, floods, or earthquakes." After 5 minutes, gather groups and have them describe their situation. Close by praying for each world need. As the "Amen" read John 16:33. Create a "World Prayer Needs" bulletin board. Throughout the week have kids cut out magazine or newspaper articles containing world need they want the group to pray for. Have them tack the articles to the bulletin board as visual prayer reminders.

World Praying—Buy an inflatable globe. Have the a group stand in a circle. One person will toss the ball to another. That person will then close their eyes and point to a place on the globe. (Have a list of missionaries available) Have group prayer for the missionary in that part of the world.

Missions Prayer—Cut out headlines in the newspaper and mount them on poster paper writing under each headline the name of a missionary who is working near that area.

Bible Promise for Missionaries—Give each person the name of a missionary and suggest she claim a Bible promise also list the scripture for the Bible promise. Pray that this promise might be experienced in the life of the missionary whose name you have.

Chain of Prayer—Write each missionary's name, place of service, and type of work on a long narrow slip of paper. As each person prays silently for their missionary they will join (with tape) their link to the others, making a chain of prayer.

Gift of Prayer—Give each person a piece of paper with a missionary's name. Ask them to write a brief prayer for the missionary and drop it in a wrapped gift box.

Stand-Ins for Missionaries—Each person holds a placard with a missionary's name. He/she comes to the front and tells about their work then leads in prayer for the missionary.

Circle the Globe with Prayer—Place a globe so that those who are praying for the missionaries might stand in a circle around it holding hands and pray sentence prayers.

Prayer Box—Have the kids put their name on an index card, and jot down a personal prayer request. When finished place the cards into a prayer box. At the end of class, have each child pull out one card from the box and have them pray for that person during the week.

Open Prayer Journal—Purchase a spiral notebook and put the date of each Sunday in the top corner. Have the book open to the appropriate page each Sunday and displayed in a prominent place. Encourage the children to write down any prayer requests or praises as they arrive each Sunday. They can also look at previous pages to see what prayers were answered. The journal can be referred to during class prayer time, or the requests can be reviewed at the end of class and given to the children to pray for during the week.

Prayer M&Ms—Bring in a couple of bags of M&Ms (or Skittles), making sure you have enough for each child to have a small handful. Ask each one to take a small handful and wait (do not eat them yet). When everyone has some, ask them to pray for certain

needs/people based on the colors they have. For example, for every red M&M, pray for an unsaved loved one. For every green M&M pray for a PWOC Board member. For every yellow one pray for a family member. For every brown one pray for a Chaplain/chapel need, etc.

If you use only two colors, ask them to list an attribute/characteristic of God for each M&M of a certain color. Then say something for which they are thankful using each M&M of the other color they have. Close by praying and emphasizing that no matter what need they have on their heart, this activity is a great reminder that God is able and willing to provide for all of our needs.

Prayer Toss—Provide each kid with a blank sheet of paper. Ask them to write down a request on the paper (you may or may not include names). Crumple up the paper and on signal begin tossing them around the room. After a few seconds of tossing, ask the kids to grab the request closest to them and take a few moments to pray for that need. Then on signal, begin tossing the papers around again. Continue on for a couple of turns.

Economy—Pray when you are at the check-out stands for the economy--when you make your bank deposits--when you drive by the banks.

Leadership—Place pictures of President, VP and governor in your prayer room or foyer to remind people to pray for leaders--get the names of the church officials in your state and pray over them.

A.C.T.S.—This is a good way to always remember the basics of prayer. A.C.T.S. - Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication.

Outreach—Why not get a list of all visitors to your church each week and pray over the names. This would provide opportunity to send them a card letting them know the church is praying for their life to be blessed.

Mom's Praying—The first Monday of every month, the ladies of New Life Center get together and pray specifically for the children of the church. Those who are single, "adopt" those children or young people in the church who do not have a praying mother.

Responsive Readings as a Model of Prayer—Read prayerfully Psalm 86:1-13. Ask a volunteer to slowly read the odd numbered verses. The family or group will read the even numbered verses as a prayer.

Babbling Brook Prayer—(assure those in your family, small group or congregation that God is able to hear prayers, even if we all pray at the same time). The larger the group, the more this style of praying is effective. It is powerful to be praying in the midst of a rushing stream of prayers. Invite people to all risk and pray for whatever or

whomever they choose. The group will determine when the prayer time is over based on the naturally diminishing prayers.

Praying the Scriptures—One of the ancient styles of prayer within Christianity is "lectio Divina" or using the Word of God for prayer. Such meditation is both ancient and of great value to gain understanding from the scriptures. It can be done while walking, cooking, sitting in a waiting room, silently or in a group like the babbling brook prayer.

Select one of your favorite verses of the Bible, memorize it or put it on a 3 x 5 card and repeat it until it begins to take root in your heart. Praying the scriptures back to God is like praying the very heart of God. This builds confidence in our prayer life and often times stretches us beyond our normal thoughts and prayers. ("For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts," Isaiah 55:8-9).

Adapt the pronouns and insert the names of those for whom you are praying.

Prayer Partners—Team up in two's or threes and briefly share for what or whom you desire prayer. This can be a good exercise for a church council or committee meeting at its outset. Each person is encouraged to share one or two requests and then pray for each other. Some councils will keep their partnerships for the whole year. It is wise for males to pray with males and females with females. This prevents problems in getting together weekly (face to face, on the phone, or via email). Once people have experienced



this level of support, most value it.

Church Bulletin—Instead of throwing it away, take home your Sunday church bulletin and pray over the upcoming events throughout the week.

Schedule a Time for Prayer—Consider it an unbreakable commitment. Keep your set appointment every day for one week. For one solid week, let your scheduled prayer time be the centerpiece of your day arrange everything else to fit around it.

Give God the first fruits of your day—For one week, give the very first 30 minutes of your day to prayer.

Spell It Out—This week, try writing out your prayers. It will help you stay focused and will create a record of God's work in your life.

Make It Loud—This week, practice praying out loud during your private prayer time. It will make your prayer experience more concrete and will help you keep your mind focused.

Walk and Pray—This week, try walking as you pray. Walk through your neighborhood or around your yard. You will be more able to keep your mind open to new thoughts the Lord might introduce. You are likely to find yourself spending more time with Him.

Reminder—Between you and the Lord, settle on a phrase that He can remind you of throughout the day to call you back into intimacy when you have turned your heart outward. Find a phrase like, "Only You." Something short and simple that can be a 'shorthand' prayer that speaks volumes.

Prayer Positions—This week, during your prayer time, use different worship postures: kneel, lift your hands, and fall on your face before Him. You may do this outwardly, or inwardly—in the inner sanctuary of your own soul.

Kingdom Moments—Your daily prayer time lays the groundwork for an ongoing awareness of His presence. This week during your prayer time ask Him to alert you and call your attention to "kingdom moments" throughout your day. Watch for opportunities to enjoy fellowship with Him — waiting in lines, performing mundane tasks, for example. Being consciously aware of His presence will transform life's irritants into opportunities for fellowship with Him.

Listen—The most important prayer skill is learning to listen to the Living Voice. This week let listening to Him be the main focus of your prayer time. Let 1 Samuel 3:10 be your only request. Listen for Him in His Word, in the quietness of your heart, in the circumstances of your day, in fresh ideas that come to mind, in new understanding that settles on you. Learn to listen. Write down what you think you sense Him saying to you.

Creative Suggestions

Kids

Praying in the Park—This is a great time of year to take a group of children on a prayer walk in the park. Lead them in prayer for their city, neighborhoods, schools, friends, church, pastor, children of the world, etc. If there are people in the park, two or three of the children (with adult supervision) could approach them explaining they have gathered together for prayer and inquire if they have a special request or need for prayer. Encourage the children to pray for/with people immediately or, if they are a little shy, take the requests back to the group to be prayed over.

Ideas for Small Children—For small children, make a picture album for them to have with them during prayer time. Put pictures of family, a homeless person (symbolizing the poor), and a picture of the world. Include pictures of every day blessings to give thanks for: food, clothing, a home, etc. Their requests can also be put into picture form: grandmother, father, swing set, new bike, etc.

Alphabet Praying—Each person is invited to offer a prayer about a different letter of the alphabet. (example: America, Bible colleges, Christian Education, District Superintendent, Evan-

gelism, Foreign Missionaries, Home Missions, etc)

Christmas Prayer Box—Have your children decorate a shoebox and place it on the dining table. Place Christmas cards that you receive in this box. At meal times, pull one card out of the box and pray for the family who sent it.

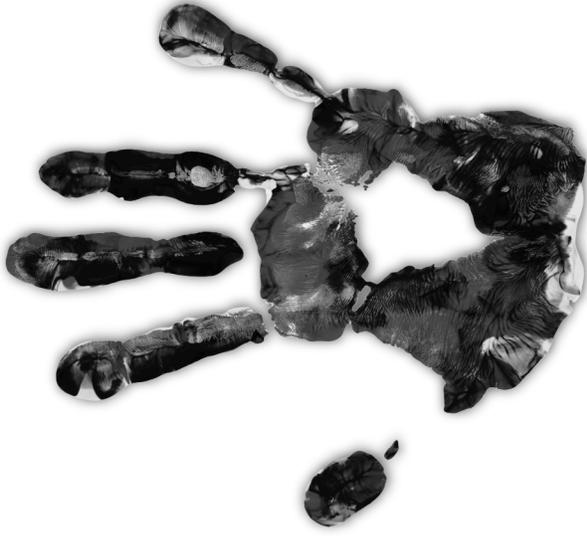
Hand Prayers—(trace the child's hand on a piece of paper) On the thumb write "praise and worship." (Psalm 147:1). On the pointer finger, examine your life, writing "confess our sins," (1 John 1:8-9). Knowing the promises of God that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, this makes us thankful. On the tallest finger write "thanking God," (Philippians 4:6; Psalm 136:1).

The weakest of our fingers reminds us of our need to pray for those who are in need. Write "needs of others" on the ring finger, (1 Timothy 2:1-4). Finally, the pinky is the least of our fingers yet the most essential for having a strong grip. Write "our needs" on the pinky finger, (1 John 3:22). Another option would be to put a nail mark in the center of the hands palm. Write "in Jesus' name." This will help children remember that we can all upon God in prayer because of Jesus death for our sins. So we pray "in Jesus' name."

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Youth

I want to touch heaven.



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Prayer Crowd Breaker—Divide your group into teams. Give each team a piece of paper and a pen. In five minutes have each team write down as many prayer requests that they can think of. (Ex. lost family members, healings, church growth, pastor, etc.) At the end of five minutes count the requests and award a prize to the winning team. Then copy the prayer list and distribute them to the team members and have them pray over the list for the week.

Prayer Cards—Take three index cards and write down one person's name on each card. Next, go to each of the people that you listed on a card and let them know that you will be praying for them. Ask them to tell you the desires of their heart and any immediate prayer concerns. Then, write it down on their card so you can partner with them in prayer. Pray for those three people each day according to the information they provided on the index cards. Pray consistently for a specified time or until prayers are answered.

Bonfire Prayer—Each person selects a twig or small piece of wood or a piece of paper with your request written on it that is tossed into the fire with a silent

or spoken prayer symbolizing our prayers are given in trust up to God.

Paper Towel Prayer—The prayer leader begins by unrolling a roll of paper towels on the floor. Each person is asked to write a person's name or prayer concern on each sheet. Re-roll. Each day or youth service tear off one sheet and lift up prayers for that particular concern or person.

Nail Prayer—Build a wooden cross (size depending on size of group). Give each person is given one or more post-it-notes or pieces of paper to write a prayer concern on. Invite each person to nail that concern on the cross.

Fastest Prayer—Divide your group into teams. Give each team a piece of paper and a pen. In five minutes have each team write down as many prayer requests that they can think of. (Ex. lost family members, healings, church growth, pastor, etc.) At the end of five minutes count the requests and award a prize to the winning team. Then copy the prayer list and distribute them to the team members and have them pray over the list for the week.

Echo Prayer—Pray a short prayer phrase out loud. Pause for the family or

group to repeat out loud your word of thanks, or confession, or praise, or petition. This continues to reinforce that people can pray out loud.

Complete the Sentence Prayer—Ask a member of your family or of the group to volunteer to think about one of the five aspects of prayer. Start the prayer and the volunteer for each type of prayer will finishes the sentence. For example: "Lord, you are...(praise and worship); "Lord, forgive me for...(confession of sin); "Lord, thank you for...(thanking God); "Lord, please help...(praying for others needs); "Lord, I need...(pray for your needs).

Circle Prayer—There is definite power in being connected via holding hands in a circle. This prayer can begin and end with the same person. After opening in prayer, the leader lightly squeezes the hand of the person next to them indicating that he/she is finished praying. That person can choose to pray or else lightly squeeze the hand their neighbor. This continues until everyone has had an opportunity to pray, at which time the leader will end the prayer time.

Popcorn Prayer—This metaphor for prayer is that of the random popping of popcorn. Anyone is encouraged to jump in with a brief prayer of thanksgiving or request. Again, a leader can open this time of prayer and after a healthy silence, close the prayer time. A word or phrase is all that is encouraged to keep this prayer style moving. It is a good introduction to group prayer. A theme of what people are thankful for could be used throughout this prayer.

Wall of Prayer—To encourage prayer requests make a "Wall of Prayer." Hang up a piece of newspaper (end

rolls from local papers may be free) or you can use butcher block paper. Allow the children to write their prayer requests on the paper after they have shared their requests with the class. It is a faith building visual reminder of the prayers and allows for great follow-up on prayers when they get answered.

For School Kids—Got Prayer?

1. Each day of the week, select a different prayer target or strategy.
2. Pray for the people who sit to the right, left, front and back of you in every class you have today.
3. Pray for your teacher in each class you have today.
4. Choose an attribute of God (such as His love or mercy); thank Him for it and how He shows it to you.
5. Every time the bell rings, pray for a Christian friend. Ask that your friend grows deeper in the Lord and for that person to be a light in the world by sharing about their faith in God.
6. Select any topic you want and pray in whatever creative way the Lord gives.
7. Pray with friends before school.
8. Pray with friends through pages in the yearbook (maybe one page per week).
9. Do a "Jericho Walk" around your school; claim your campus for Jesus Christ.
10. Have a Friday evening (or some other time) of "Pizza and Prayer;" ask a student to do a devotional and then lead the group in prayer.
11. Pick a day or a meal of the week to fast and pray for your campus.
12. Create a prayer web page where others could find requests and praises.
13. Participate in "See You at the Pole" and keep praying at the pole once a week or once a month.
14. Help your Bible study or group to

create a "Prayer on a Rope." Ask everyone to write prayer requests on a 3" x 5" card. Photocopy the list and bring it the next week. Put each copy individually into zip-lock bags. Tie a piece of yarn through holes you punch in the bag (above the seal) and hang the "Prayer on a Rope" in your shower. Pray for a different person each day in the shower.

15. Create a Prayer Slide Show. To help your group pray, select themes such as international, nature (to praise the Lord), urban, or local high schools (include students, teachers, extracurricular groups).
16. Host an Area Prayer Breakfast where teens and adults from local churches gather to pray for their teens and schools.

17. Be a Prayer Traveler. Select different locations on a map to where your group should travel by carloads, and then pray. Some destinations could include high schools, local hospitals, City/County jail, local teen hangout, malls, courthouse, Congressional offices, and churches.

18. Do "doorway praying" by standing at the doorway of your school and praying for every person who comes in the door.
19. Design a plan to pray **locker to locker** for every person in your school.
20. Power Words – write and encouraging note with a prayer for someone on it and slip it in the slots on their locker.

