

- Kids' Edition -

TEN DAYS OF PRAYER 2021

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(An adaptation of the 2021 Ten Days of Prayer by Adventist Children's Ministries at https://tendaysofprayer.org/)

About This Resource:

Although this resource was designed to assist families in including children in the Ten Days of Prayer series, it can be adapted in multiple worship settings for children. Opportunities for use include regular family worship, Sabbath School, Adventurer meetings, church school worships and many more. Take some time prior to each session to review the program. Most require minimal, but advanced, preparation such as cueing a playlist, printing, cutting, and gathering general household supplies. Day four includes an optional item that you may choose to purchase. You can view all the needed supplies on the "At a Glance" page.

The prayer activities may be used again and again, even after you have finished the series, to add excitement to your child's prayer experience.

At a Glance: (Items in red may need to be purchased in advance)

Day	Title	Key Text/Bible Reading	Supplies	Prayer Activity
1	Jesus' Special Gift	Luke 11:13 John 14:15-17	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #1- http://tiny.cc/Playlist1 Paper-1 sheet/person Paper fan instructions 	Paper fan
2	Grasping God's Greatest Gift	Eph 3:18 John 15:12-16	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #1- http://tiny.cc/Playlist1 Gift bag/box Cardstock cross- 1/person 	Gift cross
3	Give Yourself to God	James 4:7 Psalm 23	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #1- http://tiny.cc/Playlist1 	Head-to-toe
4	Living in the Holy Spirit	Gal 5:22-23 Matt 7:5-20	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #1- http://tiny.cc/Playlist1 Assorted Whole Fruits or Fruit Cutouts*- 9 total, may have duplicate fruits *Template for Fruit Cutout-https://www.bestcoloringpages forkids.com/fruit-coloring-pages.html Food Coloring Pens (if using whole fruits)-http://tiny.cc/edibleinkmarker 	Fruity prayer
5	Growing Like Jesus	Luke 2:52 Luke 2:41-52	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #1- http://tiny.cc/Playlist1 Pinto beans - 1 or 2 for each participant Clear plastic cup (or Ziploc bag)- 1 for each participant Paper towel Instructions: https://lifeatthezoo.com/growing-beans-science-home/ 	Growing bean
6	Secrets of a Happy Christian Life	John 15:11 Luke 2:8-20	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2 Prayer instructions: 	

			pastors-only/how-to-pray-the- five-finger-prayer	
7	God's Promises Can Be Trusted	1 John 5:14 Gen 9:7-17	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2 Crayons, makers, or colored pencils- at least 7 shades preferably red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet Blank Paper or Rainbow template printed on paper - 1 per participant Rainbow Template: https://pixy.org/571930/ (if needed) 	Rainbow prayer
8	Obedience Through Jesus	1 John 5:3 John 2:1-11	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2 Three-in-a-row prayer board- http://tiny.cc/prayerboard Counters/game pieces as 3-in- a-row game markers, 4 or 5 per participant 	Prayer 3-in-a-row
9	Jesus Working Through Us	Eph 2:10 2 Kings 5:1-15	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2 	Prayer walk
10	Teaming Up For Jesus	Zech 4:6 Mark 2:1-12	 Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2 Popcorn 	Popcorn prayers

Day 1: Jesus' Special Gift

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer Song Playlist: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1
- 1 sheet of paper for each participant
- Paper fan instructions (if needed): http://tiny.cc/paperfan

Key Text: Luke 11:13 (ICB). "... So surely your heavenly Father knows how to give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him."

Key Point: Jesus invites us to ask for the Holy Spirit in prayer.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

- You Are My All In All
- Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)
- Hymn of the Holy Spirit

Devotional Thought: Have you ever had to do something that you just couldn't do by yourself? Sometimes it's hard to do the right thing. Jesus knew that His disciple friends and His friends today would sometimes have hard things to do. He promised us a Special Gift-a Helper. This Helper is the Holy Spirit who will help us do good things.

Read God's Word: John 14:15-17.

Prayer: Dear God, please give us the gift of Your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Paper Fan. Make a paper fan. Take turns fanning each other. Discuss that while you can't see the breeze, you can feel it. In the same way, you might not "see" the Holy Spirit, but you can feel Him helping you. Pray and ask God for the Holy Spirit. Link with directions for origami fan- http://tiny.cc/paperfan.

Day 2: Grasping God's Greatest Gift

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer Song Playlist: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1
- Gift bag/box
- Cardstock Cross, 1 per participant, placed in gift bag

Key Text: Ephesians 3:18 (ICB). And I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love. I pray that you can understand how wide and how long and how high and how deep that love is.

Key Point: Jesus loves us, cares for us, and wants to be our Best Friend.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

- You Are My All In All
- Hey! Jesus Loves Me!
- Love the Lord

Devotional Thought: Who is your best friend? What is the nicest thing that your best friend has done for you? What is the nicest thing you have done for a friend? Isn't it nice to have friends? Friends can cheer us up when we're sad. They keep us company when we're lonely. Friends can even help us sometimes when we need an extra hand. Many years ago, Jesus chose us to be His special friends. Would you be His friend, too?

Read God's Word: John 15:12-16.

Prayer: Dear God, thank You for Your everlasting love. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Gift Cross. Make a cross out of construction paper or cardboard and place in a gift bag or box. Have each participant remove the cross and pray, thanking God for the gift of Jesus.



Day 3: Give Yourself to God

Supplies & Resources:

Ten Days of Prayer Song Playlist: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

Key Text: James 4:7 (ICB). So give yourselves to God.

Key Point: Let God take care of our lives and our plans.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

- You Are My All In All
- My God Is So Big
- Shout to the Lord

Devotional Thought: Parents and guardians like to take care of their children. They give them food when they are hungry. They keep them safe when they are scared. They give their children everything they need. Shepherds do the same for their sheep. God has promised that He would take care of us like a shepherd takes care of his sheep. We never have to worry, because God will always take care of us.

Read God's Word: Psalm 23.

Prayer: Dear God, I give you all of me. Please take care of me. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Head-to-Toe Prayers. Touch and name different body parts. Pray to God about each part. Examples may include:

- Head- Ask God to help us think pure thoughts.
- Ears Ask God to help us hear Him speaking to us.
- Eyes- Ask God to help us to see others who might be in need.
- Mouth- Ask God to help us say kind words to others.
- Tummy- Thank God for the nutritious food He gives.
- Knees Kneel and ask for forgiveness.
- Feet- Ask God to help us to walk in the way He leads.

For more detail on head-to-toe prayers visit: https://ministryspark.com/creative-ideas-teaching-kids-prayer/

Day 4: Living in the Holy Spirit

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer Song Playlist: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1
- Assorted Whole Fruits or Fruit Cutouts*- 9 total, may have duplicate fruits
- *Template for Fruit Cutout- https://www.bestcoloringpagesforkids.com/fruit-coloring-pages.html
- Food Coloring Pens (if using whole fruits)- http://tiny.cc/foodcoloringpen

Key Text: Galatians 5:22-23 (ICB). But the Spirit gives love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Key Point: God wants us to grow good fruit.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

- You Are My All In All
- Fruit of the Spirit (Is Not a Coconut)
- Fruit of the Spirit- Gifts That Only God Can Give

Devotional Thought: Imagine with me that you are taking a walk in an orchard. You're excited to pick and taste the yummy fruit. On your imaginary stroll, you smell the fruity aroma of juicy white grapes. You look ahead and see beautiful grapes growing on big, towering trees. Next to the grapes are vines laden with pineapples. Wait a minute! Pineapples don't grow on vines and grapes don't grow on trees! Jesus said that we can tell if someone is a Christian based on the fruit they grow-the fruit of the Spirit. Christians should show love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. God can help us grow the right fruit.

Read God's Word: Matthew 7:15-20.

Prayer: Dear God, please help us to grow the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Fruity Prayer.

Option 1- Set out an assortment of whole fruits (apples, bananas, oranges, pears, etc.). You will need nine fruits. Feel free to have more than one of the same type of fruit. Using food coloring pens, write one fruit of the Spirit on each fruit. Divide the fruit between family members. Take turns asking God to help you develop the fruit of the Spirit.

Option 2- Print, color, and cut out pictures of fruit. On each fruit write one fruit of the Spirit. Distribute the "fruit" among family members. Take turns asking God to help you develop the fruit of the Spirit.

For your convenience (suggestions only, not endorsed)

Food Coloring Pens Link- http://tiny.cc/foodcoloringpen

Fruit Cut Out Template: https://www.bestcoloringpagesforkids.com/fruit-coloring-

pages.html

Day 5: Growing Like Jesus

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer song playlist: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1
- Pinto beans 1 or 2 for each participant
- Clear plastic cup (or Ziploc bag)- 1 for each participant
- Paper towel

Key Text: Luke 2:52 (ICB). Jesus continued to learn more and more and to grow physically. People liked him, and he pleased God.

Key Point: Spending time with Jesus each day will help us grow to be more like Him.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/Playlist1

- You Are My All In All
- Seek Ye First
- Jesus Loves Me Remix

Devotional Thought: Jesus enjoyed spending time with His Heavenly Father. The Bible tells us that Jesus prayed, read the Scriptures, and went to church often. One time when Jesus was a boy, His family went to Jerusalem for a special religious celebration. Jesus was so engaged in spending time talking to the Bible teachers at church that He missed when His family was returning home and got left behind! How do you like to spend time with God?

Read God's Word: Luke 2:41-52.

Prayer: Dear God, please help us to grow more like Jesus every day. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Growing Bean Prayer. You will need the following for each participant: 1 or 2 pinto beans, 1 clear plastic cup (or Ziploc bag), 1 paper towel, and a spray bottle for holding water (may be shared). Dampen paper towel with water. Place the wet paper towel crumpled up in the middle of the cup or bag. Place bean seeds around the outside of the wet paper towel. Make sure the towel stays moist. Check in on your plant daily and think about how you can grow more like Jesus. Pray asking God to help you grow more like Jesus every day. For more details on growing beans, visit this site: https://lifeatthezoo.com/growing-beans-science-home/

Day 6: Secrets of a Happy Christian Life

Supplies & Resources:

Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2

Key Text: John 15:11 (ICB). "I have told you these things so that you can have the same joy I have. I want your joy to be the fullest joy."

Key Point: Jesus brings joy to my life.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/playlist2

- You Are My All In All
- I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Down in My Heart
- He Has Made Me Glad

Devotional Thought: When was the last time you felt very happy? One night many years ago, some shepherds were taking care of their sheep. Then, an angel lit up the sky! At first the shepherds were frightened. But then the angels said, "Don't be afraid. We have good news!" They told the shepherds that Baby Jesus was born. The angels shared that Jesus would bring joy to all people! Today, Jesus continues to bring joy to all of our hearts.

Read God's Word: Luke 2:8-20.

Prayer: Dear God, we pray for the needs of church members, family, and neighbors. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Five-Finger Prayer. Use your five fingers to guide your prayer. Pray in this order:

- Thumb: This finger is closest to your heart. Pray for the people closest to you.
- Pointer: This is the pointer finger. Pray for the people who point you to the right way-teachers, pastors, mentors, etc.
- Middle: This is the tallest finger. Pray for those who stand tall on our behalf- military, police, civil and religious leaders.
- Ring: This is the weakest finger. Pray for those who are sick or in trouble.
- Little: This is the last finger. Pray for ourselves last.

Reference for more on this: https://www.childrens-ministry-deals.com/blogs/childrens-pastors-only/how-to-pray-the-five-finger-prayer

Day 7: God's Promises Can Be Trusted

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 http://tiny.cc/playlist2
- Crayons, makers, or colored pencils- at least 7 shades preferably red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet
- Blank Paper or Rainbow template printed on paper 1 per participant
- Rainbow Template: https://pixy.org/571930/ (if needed)

Key Text: 1 John 5:14 (ICB). We can come to God with no doubts. This means that when we ask God for things (and those things agree with what God wants for us), then God cares about what we say.

Key Point: God gave us many promises in the Bible.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/playlist2

- You Are My All In All
- The B-I-B-L-E
- Jesus Loves Me

Devotional Thought: A long time ago, God was very sad with how evil the people had become. He told Noah that He would destroy the world with a flood. In order to save the good people, God told Noah to build an ark. It rained straight for 40 days, but Noah and his family were safe in the boat. When the flood was over, God promised Noah that He would never destroy the whole world in a flood again. To show Noah that God meant His promise, He painted a rainbow in the sky. The Bible has many promises of God to us. Just like He kept His promise to Noah, God keeps His promises in the Bible.

Read God's Word: Genesis 9:7-17.

Prayer: Dear God, we ask for Your Holy Spirit to help us, because we cannot do it ourselves. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Rainbow Prayer. You will need 7 colors of crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Suggested colors are those of the rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet. Give each participant a sheet of paper. Draw a rainbow using each of the colors. For each layer/color, pray for one of the following things: praise, confession, thanksgiving, prayer for family, prayer for friends, prayer for someone who doesn't know Jesus, and personal request.

Alternatively: Download and print a rainbow template (https://pixy.org/571930/). Label each layer of the rainbow with a prayer category: praise, confession, thanksgiving, family, friends, someone who doesn't know Jesus, and personal requests. Color and pray for each "layer".

Day 8: Obedience Through Jesus

Supplies & Resources:

• Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2

• Three-In-A-Row prayer board- http://tiny.cc/prayerboard

• Counters/game pieces as 3-in-a-row game markers, 4-5 per participant

Key Text: 1 John 5:3 (ICB). Loving God means obeying his commands.

Key Point: Jesus can help us obey Him even when we do not understand.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/playlist2

• You Are My All In All

Obedience

Trust and Obey

Devotional Thought: One day, Jesus went to a wedding. At the party, the bride and groom ran out of wine to serve the guests. The servants didn't know what to do! Then Jesus told them to fill up the jars with water and serve that to the person in charge of the party. This seemed like a strange thing to do. They needed more wine, not water! However, the servants obeyed Jesus. Guess what happened? When they gave the party host the drink, he tasted the best wine ever! We should always obey Jesus, even when it doesn't always make sense.

Read God's Word: John 2:1-11.

Prayer: Dear God, please give us obedient hearts. Help us to trust You even when we do not understand. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Prayer 3-In-A-Row. Print the prayer board. Use beans or buttons or other counters. Choose a space and pray for what it says. After praying, place your counter on the space. Try to get three counters in a row. (Try to print the board large enough so you can use large counters. AND watch younger children carefully to prevent choking from placing small pieces in their mouths.) Click on this link for more specific instructions, and to print off a copy of the board: http://tiny.cc/prayerboard



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Day 9: Jesus Working Through Us

Supplies & Resources:

Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 - http://tiny.cc/playlist2

Key Text: Ephesians 2:10 (ICB). God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us new people so that we would do good works.

Key Point: Jesus works through us with His divine power so that we can bless others.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/playlist2

- You Are My All In All
- This Little Light of Mine
- Every Move I Make

Devotional Thought: During the time of the Old Testament, the Arameans invaded Israel. They took a little girl as slave, and made her work for Captain Naaman and his wife. The little girl loved God and was determined to serve Him always. One day Captain Naaman got very sick. The little girl shared about God Who was able to heal Naaman through His prophet, Elisha. Naaman traveled to meet Elisha. Elisha told Naaman to dip in the river seven times. Naaman followed Elisha's instructions and was healed. He praised God! God can help us to tell others about Him just like the little Israelite girl did.

Read God's Word: 2 Kings 5:1-15.

Prayer: Dear God, teach us that we cannot serve You on our own. Thank You for promising to work through us. Please bless the work of our hands. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Prayer Walk. Take a walk (or drive) around your neighborhood and pray for each of the people living in the houses you pass by. Additionally, you may leave a postcard on their door letting them know you prayed for them.



Day 10: Teaming Up For Jesus

Supplies & Resources:

- Ten Days of Prayer song playlist #2 http://tiny.cc/playlist2
- Popcorn

Key Text: Zechariah 4:6 (ICB). "...'You will not succeed by your own strength or by your own power. The power will come from my Spirit,' says the Lord of heaven's armies."

Key Point: Jesus helps me work with others to share the good news of salvation.

Songs: http://tiny.cc/playlist2

- You Are My All In All
- What a Mighty God We Serve
- My God is Powerful

Devotional Thought: One day, Jesus was preaching in a house in Capernaum. Many people had come to hear Jesus. A man who was paralyzed wanted to be healed. His four friends took him to the house where Jesus was preaching. The house was so full that they couldn't get in through the door to see Jesus. Then they had a brilliant idea! They cut a hole in the roof and gently let their friend down into the house near where Jesus was preaching. Jesus saw the man and healed him. Best of all, Jesus forgave his sins. We can work together with others in our family and church to bring people to Jesus.

Read God's Word: Mark 2:1-12.

Prayer: Dear God, please forgive us for trying to do everything by ourselves and not depending on the Holy Spirit. Show us how to work for You. Amen.

Prayer Activity: Popcorn Prayers. Prior to prayer, pop a bowl/bag of popcorn. Invite each person to pray one or two word prayers as they "pop" into their minds. Eat the popcorn together as you reflect on your prayers.

References and Resources:

This work is an adaptation on the 2021 Ten Days of Prayer prepared by Adventist Children's Ministries located at https://tendaysofprayer.org/. Other references and resources include:

- Adventist Children's Ministries-Ten Days of Prayer- https://tendaysofprayer.org/
- How to make a Chinese paper fan: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3gTvvduwd58
- Ministry Spark-Head to Toe Prayers: (https://ministryspark.com/creative-ideas-teaching-kids-prayer/)
- Best Coloring Pages for Kids-Fruit Cut Out Template: https://www.bestcoloringpagesforkids.com/fruit-coloring-pages.html
- Life at the Zoo-Growing Beans: https://lifeatthezoo.com/growing-beans-science-home/
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