

KIDS-2-PRAY-4-KIDS

This week we will pray for other children that are in trouble because bad things have happened to them. Every time we pray for a child who is in trouble, we can also say thank you to God for giving us so many things, and people who are our family and love us. We do not always think about it this way, but we have many things that other children do not have.

Monday: HIV/AIDS: South Africa has the highest number of people living with HIV/AIDS. This means that many children are born HIV positive because their parents have AIDS. Many children are left behind all by themselves when both their parents die of AIDS. Often other family members are also sick or too far away to take care of them. *Lord Jesus, I pray for these children, that they will not feel alone. Please send someone to take care of them and give them food every day. Help them to come to know You, Jesus.*

Tuesday: AFTERCARE: Many parents work during the day and leave their children at daycare or after school care centres. The people caring for children at these places are really amazing and special. But, sometimes bad things happen to children in these care facilities, because some adults do not really love the children and do and say nasty things to them. *Lord Jesus, I pray for children that suffer because adults do and say nasty things to them. Please help them so that these bad people will be found out. I thank you for the good people who watch and take care of children everywhere in South Africa.*

Wednesday: POVERTY: Many parents are not able to find a job and then they cannot buy food for their children. It sometimes happens that children begin to beg for money at street corners, because they really want something to eat. *Lord Jesus, I pray for children who do not have enough food to eat every day. Please will You do miracles for everyone, so that they will know You are a good God. Please help their parents to find good jobs, so that they can buy food for everyone.*

Thursday: PARENTS: Many children do not have parents and live with their grandparents. Other children's parents work in towns far away and they only see them once in a while. *Lord Jesus, I want to say thank you for every child who has parents and who is able to live with them. Please help these children to love and respect their parents. Also comfort those children who do not have parents or who are in orphanages to know that You are a heavenly Father who also provides for their needs on earth.*

Friday: GIVE THANKS: As we have prayed about the troubles of other children, let us take time to look and see what we have, compared to them. Ask someone to help you to write down the things you have that you can thank the Lord for. Also say thank you to your parents/family or guardians who look after you. *Lord Jesus, I give thanks to You for You are good and Your mercy endures forever (1 Chr.16:34). Thank you for showing me how much I have to give thanks for.*