

Draw Near

21 DAYS OF PRAYER | WEEK THREE: OCTOBER 26-NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Praying for Those Who Need God

God desires for everyone to know Him. As followers of Christ, we can partner with Him by praying for those who do not yet know Him to encounter Jesus and receive the gift of salvation. This week, bring people before the Father by name and ask Him to help you reflect His love in their lives.

Your daily rhythm

Pause at midday or choose another time you can return to each day.

- 1. Pause.** Set aside 5-10 minutes. Put distractions away and turn your attention toward God.
- 2. Read and pray slowly.** Read one of the Scripture passages on page 2. Use its prayer prompt to pray for the people on your list by name.
- 3. Make it personal.** Bring their circumstances, questions, and needs before the Father. Ask Him to draw them toward Jesus and help them recognize His love.
- 4. Respond.** Ask, "How can I show Your love today?" Look for an opportunity to listen, serve, encourage, or share your faith with gentleness and respect.

Use all five prayer focuses throughout the week. Return to them as often as you need, trusting God with each person and the outcome.

Who to Pray For

Write down 3-5 names and pray for them regularly.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____

Wednesday October 28

Pray and fast together

If you can safely fast from food, choose a manageable period and use the mealtime for prayer. Let hunger remind you: "Father, draw the people on my heart toward You." Respect your health needs and continue medication as prescribed; seek medical guidance if unsure. If food fasting is unsuitable, join us in prayer and consider setting aside a distraction.

New to prayer? Begin honestly: "God, help me know You. Help me understand Jesus and what it means to trust Him." If you miss a day, return the next day. We are learning together.

Five Ways to Pray for Others

Read the full passage in your Bible. Put a name from your list into each prayer.

1 Ask the Father to Draw Them to Jesus

John 6:44

We cannot make someone come to God through our own efforts. Pray that the Father would draw the people He has placed on your heart to Jesus.

Pray: "Father, draw [name] to You. Send Your Holy Spirit and awaken a desire in them to know You. Open their ears to hear Your voice and recognize the spiritual thirst only You can satisfy."

2 Pray Against Spiritual Blindness

2 Corinthians 4:4

Pray against anything that keeps people from seeing and responding to the truth of the Gospel.

Pray: "Father, in the name of Jesus, remove every hindrance that keeps [name] from seeing Your truth. Open their eyes to who You are and help them see Jesus clearly."

3 Pray for a Personal Relationship with God

Romans 8:15

Pray that people would understand God's love for them and experience a genuine relationship with Him.

Pray: "Father, help [name] understand how deeply You love them. Stir their heart to know You, hear Your voice, and experience the welcome of their Heavenly Father."

4 Pray for Believers to Cross Their Path

Matthew 9:38

Pray for godly believers to influence those who do not know God, and ask God to use you as well.

Pray: "Father, bring godly believers across [name]'s path. Let my own life reflect Your love and truth. Give me opportunities to serve, encourage, and point them toward You."

5 Pray for Wisdom and Revelation

Ephesians 1:17

Pray that people would gain spiritual understanding of their need for God, what Jesus accomplished on the cross, and the hope found in Him.

Pray: "Father, release Your Spirit of wisdom and revelation to [name]. Help them understand their spiritual condition, see what Jesus has done for them, and recognize all that You have for them."

A Simple Prayer Flow

Draw them to Jesus - Open their eyes - Reveal Your love - Send believers - Give wisdom and revelation