MY QUIET TIME WITH JESUS

PRAYER CALENDAR & JOURNAL

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365 EXCITING ACTIVITIES AND IDEAS TO PRAY EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR
Praise
Praising God for what He is—our Creator, Redeemer, and Protector.

Forgive
Saying sorry for the wrong things you have done and asking God to forgive you.

Pray for Others
Praying for your friends and family members who are sick or discouraged; for those in difficulties, disasters and troubles.

Please
Asking God for help with personal needs and things.

Thank You
Thanking God for all for the blessings and the many good things He has given you and your family.

A Note 2 Kids

Hi Boys and Girls,

The world is changing very fast today and so is your life. Are you busy, busy, busy—with school, homework, piano, football practice, etc. Of course, you also need time to Facebook and What’s App your friends, too. Wow, just too much to do every day!

But slow down, my friend. Jesus loves to share part of your time. He loves to talk to you and hear about your day, your friends and family, and even your problems. So turn off the TV and Internet and take a few moments each morning or evening doing something really important: Praying. It doesn’t have to be long. What matters is that you talk to God, telling Him what you think and feel.

My Quiet Time with Jesus Prayer Calendar and Journal is just for you. As you pray and do the activities in this prayer calendar each day, may you experience God’s Grace and respond with joyful Worship of Him as you reach out in loving Service to your Community.

Write down your thoughts and feelings as you pray. Keep a record of your prayers and God’s answers throughout the year with this prayer journal. Witness the power of prayer and see the power of a loving God.

God has promised: “It shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear” (Isaiah 65:24).

Are you ready? He’s listening.

Sincerely,

Fingers
The Prayer of Thank You

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Worship
is our response to God’s love. Because He first loved us, we love Him. Because He gave His Son to die in our place, we worship Him. We worship Him through praise, through our lifestyle, and through our stewardship of all that He has provided for us.

Service
is our outreach to others, to those who may not know and love the Jesus we serve. It is to them that we give the invitation to become a part of the family of God. It is to them that we take a message of hope for the future.

Grace
is the demonstration of God’s love for us. He sent His Son to die in our place, to redeem us, and to accept us unto Himself that we might live with Him forevermore.

Community
involves our relationship with those around us, with our immediate family, our church family, our friends, and with other Christians who know God’s love.
### January

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<td>Luke 2:52</td>
<td>List the different things you can do now that you couldn't do a year ago. Praise God that you're growing and learning.</td>
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<td>Zephaniah 3:17</td>
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<td>Psalm 51:7</td>
<td>Find some things like an egg, seed, or soap that remind you how God gives you a fresh, new start. Thank God for what they teach you about His loving forgiveness.</td>
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<td>Isaiah 58:13</td>
<td>Ask God to help you and your family to think of new and special way to make Sabbath a delight this year! Make a list of your ideas and invite other families to enjoy Sabbath with you.</td>
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<td>1 John 1:9</td>
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<td>Lamentations 3:22, 23</td>
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<td>James 1:5</td>
<td>Think of something new that you find difficult to do. Pray that God will help you to understand it better and make it easier for you to learn.</td>
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<td>Psalm 23:4</td>
<td>Pray about a new challenge your family is facing, such as money problems, illness, a move etc. Ask God to help you know how to comfort and encourage each other.</td>
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<td>Colossians 3:13</td>
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<td>Luke 19:1-10</td>
<td>List the people in the Bible who were given a fresh start by God (Zacchaeus, Rahab, etc.) Thank God that He can do those amazing things for you, too!</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>Luke 15:11-32</td>
<td>Act out the story of the Prodigal Son with your family. This story shows us how God welcomes us even when we’ve messed up and need a new start. Praise God for His amazing grace.</td>
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### New Beginnings! 

Worship

Grace
Romans 12:13 - Ask your parents to invite a new family at your church to have lunch with you on Sabbath. Pray that your time together will bless all of you.

Ecclesiastes 9:10 - Offer to help your family this year by choosing to do a special chore. Ask God to help you honor Him by doing your chore cheerfully and well.

1 Peter 4:10 - Think of a special gift God has given you. Ask Him to show you how to use your gift to share His love with your friends this year.

Proverbs 24:3 - Pray for a family who has recently moved to a new home that needs lots of work and decorating. What can your family do to help them?

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 - Sort out some good clothes and toys that you don’t need any more, and give them away. Pray for the children who will use them next.

1 Corinthians 10:31 - Ask God to help you do one chore you’ve never done before to help prepare for Sabbath. Pray for each person in your family as you do your chore.

Hebrews 13:7 - Ask your Sabbath School teacher what you can do to help him or her each week. Pray that all the children in your class will grow closer to Jesus this year.

Revelation 21:1-4 - Thank God that one day He will come and make our earth perfectly new again, without any harm and danger. Imagine what it will be like to live here then!

Ezekiel 36:25-27 - Praise God that He can take away all our sins and give us a complete change of heart. Pray for someone who needs God to change their life completely.

Philippians 4:8 - Pray that God will help you start a new habit in your life. Whenever you start to worry or feel sad, try thinking about happy, lovely and good things.
**Prayer Plant**
Write a prayer request on one side of a plain card. Decorate the other side of the card with a picture of your prayer request. Plant a sunflower or pumpkin seed in a large pot. Tape your prayer card onto a plant cane and pop your stick into the plant pot. Whenever you water your seed remember to pray for your prayer request. As you watch your plant change and grow, watch for the differences your prayers are making, too.

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**Clearing out Your Heart**
Find some old scrappy paper and write down the things from last year that are still bothering you. Then pray, giving all your problems and hurts to God. Ask Him to forgive you for the wrong things you still feel bad about. Then screw up the scrappy paper and throw it in the garbage, knowing that God has taken care of it all. Psalm 103:11, 12.
Thank You Journal
Start a ‘Thank You’ journal. Find a diary for the year with a little space to write each day. Look out for the amazing ways God takes care of you. Every evening write in your diary at least three things God has done for you that you want to thank Him for.

Prayer Requests

Answered Prayers

Prayer is not a “gimme” list or bargaining chip or quick fix. Prayer is time spent talking with and listening to God.

—Kandi Elliott
February

Worship

Psalm 145 - Think about God’s love and some of the different ways He shows His special love for you. Write your own psalm, song, prayer or poem praising God for His love.

Jeremiah 31:3 - God has loved you since the beginning of the world! And He will love you forever! Write Him an everlasting love note on a strip of paper taped into an endless circle.

1 John 4:8 - Ask three people to tell you how they know that God loves them, and then thank God together for His amazing love.

Psalm 103:11 - Praise God for loving you! List at least one way He loves you beginning with each letter of your name.

John 14:15 - We worship God and show Him our love by obeying His commandments. Ask God to help you obey His loving commandments today.

Romans 8:37-39 - Thank God for all the loving things He does for you. Wrap yourself in a cozy quilt and imagine God giving you a big hug. Sit quietly and feel His love for you.

Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Rewrite these verses so that they are about God and you. ‘God is patient with me when… (fill in the gaps) God is kind to me when… God protects me by…’ etc.

Luke 6:27 - Pray for someone you don’t really get along with. Think about how much God loves them and then do something secretly kind for them.

1 John 4:10 - Think about a time when you hurt someone you love and ask God to forgive you. Ask Him what you can do to make things better again.

John 3:16 - Pray that the missionaries around the world will find amazing ways to show someone God’s love and grace today.

Romans 12:18 - When you feel like whining, getting angry, or being annoyed with someone ask God to help you be patient and show them love instead.

Isaiah 66:13 - Pray for your classmates who are hurting right now because their parents are divorced or separating, or because their parents are a long way away.

1 John 4:18 - Pray for the children who aren’t able to live with their families. Pray that whoever is caring for them will help them to feel special and loved.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 - List all the ways your family members help you to feel God’s love. Thank God, and your family members, for the many different ways they care for you.

I love you, God!
Psalm 103:13 - Pray that the Christians working in orphanages will show the lonely children how much God loves them.

Romans 12:13 - Pray for a church project that shares God's love with others, such as feeding homeless people, or visiting people in prison. How can you help this project, too?

1 John 4:12 - Pray that God will help you show His love to a teacher, doctor, nurse, street-cleaner, store-person, policeman or fireman today.

Matthew 22:39 - Pray that God will inspire your family to do something kind and loving for a needy person in your neighborhood.

Matthew 5:7 - Pray for the missionary doctors and nurses that are showing God’s love to their patients today. Pray that people will come to know God as well as be healed.

Matthew 6:3-4 - Thank God for a time when He surprised you by doing something loving for you. Surprise someone you know by doing something loving for them today.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 - Pray for the church workers and missionaries who are feeling lonely, sad and tired. Ask God to send someone to show them His love in a very real way. Do you know a church worker you could encourage?

Romans 12:10 - Find some photos of your relatives and pray a loving prayer for each one of them. Thank God for the kind and helpful things your relatives have done for you.

Philippians 1:9 - Pray that God will help the love in your family to increase. Help Him by doing something kind and loving for each person in your family.

Matthew 5:4 - Pray for the people you know who are sad because someone they love has died. What can you do to comfort them?

1 John 3:17, 18 - Thank God for your friends. Pray especially for those who don’t know Jesus yet. What are they learning about Jesus by the way you care about them?

1 Corinthians 13:7 - Think about the children who are afraid because their parents, or other people, are hurting them. Pray that they will find people who will help and protect them.

Genesis 2:20-24 - Pray for all the people you know who are thinking about getting married this year. Pray that they will have happy and loving homes.

John 13:35 - Pray that your church will be a place where everyone feels loved. Find someone in church who might be lonely today and spend a few minutes talking to them.

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**Family Tree Prayer**

Ask a grown-up to help you draw your family tree. Pray for each person on your tree. Thank God for the person, pray for their special requests, and pray that God will help you to show them your love, too.

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**Love Jelly**

Fill an empty jelly jar with different objects that remind you of God’s love. Perhaps a cotton ball reminds you that His love is gentle; or a stone reminds you that His love for you is rock solid, etc. How many things can you find?

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**Prayer Activities**

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**My Thoughts & Feelings**

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Love Heart
Cut a large heart from red or white posterboard. Write your favorite Bible verses about love on the big heart, and decorate it with your best craft materials. You’ll find lots of verses about love in this month’s calendar!

Prayer Requests

God can heal your broken heart, but you must give Him all the pieces!