



Online session

5th April 2020

MEMORY VERSE

Colossians 4:2

**“Never give up praying.
And when you pray, keep alert
and be thankful.”**

Contemporary English Version

PRAY LIKE NEVER BEFORE

Today we are learning about prayer and we especially want to all pray for everyone who is a healthcare worker (such as doctors, nurses, carers, GPs, ambulance staff) - all who are caring for people who are ill with the coronavirus.

They need us to pray!

LET'S TALK

Talk with your child(ren) about God tells us in His word to pray and that we can pray to God any time.

Talk together about prayer being talking with God, telling Him what's going on, asking for help, thanking and praising Him, saying 'sorry' and asking for forgiveness, and it's also about listening to God.

- God wants to be our best friend – we get to know Him better when we pray!
- God really does answer prayer.
- God loves us through prayer (we feel closer to Him and feel the greatness of His love.)
- We love God through prayer (when we tell Him we love Him and thank Him for Jesus and everything He has done for us.)
- The Holy Spirit helps us to pray – ask for his help now!

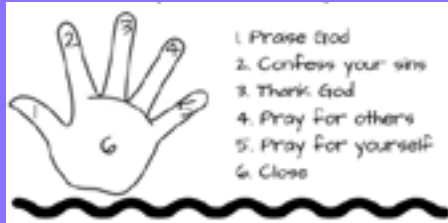
COLOURING PICTURE



'HAND' PRAYER

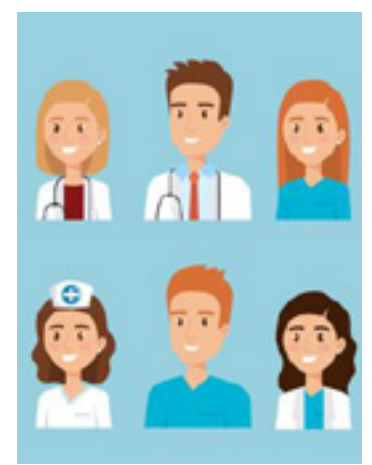
You might like to use your hand to pray in different ways together this week.

Let's start by praying for all the doctors, nurses and carers in our country today.



PRAY FOR OUR HEALTH WORKERS

- Pray for our country's healthcare workers, that they will be filled with God's strength as they look after the people who need to be cared for.
- Pray for our healthcare workers to know God's peace, joy and love more than they've ever known before.
- Pray that they will stay healthy and protected from the virus.
- Pray for their families to be safe and not to become ill.
- Pray they **really** know God's blessing.



CRAFT TIME – 'I CAN PRAY' PRAYER JAR



Encourage your child to make their very own '***I can pray***' prayer jar by using a jar, tub or container like in the picture (*you may have seen our note last week and already have something saved to use*).

As you make it, stop and ask Jesus who to pray for.

Cut a piece of paper small enough to stick on the side of your jar or tub and then write **I can pray** on the paper. Now stick it on your jar or tub.

Cut four more pieces of paper and draw a picture of people you want to pray for – something different on each piece of paper.

Some ideas: people who are sick, people who work in the hospitals, elderly people not to get ill from the virus, your family, our church.

Now each child can fold their drawings and put them into their jar.

Now get praying! During your prayer times this week, have your child(ren) pull out their pictures and pray for what they have drawn.

BODY PRAYER AND PRAISE

Use your body to pray! Try this simple prayer below:

God, you are above (*reach toward the sky*), below (*touch your toes*), inside (*hands on heart*) and all around (*big arm circles*).

I worship you (*reach toward the sky*), and give my life to you (*touch your toes*). And I love you (*hands to heart*) with all that I am (*big arm circles*).

Use your body to praise! You may like to play this song compilation from **Little Worship Company** - [Click here!](#)

It is a 20 minute long mix of worship and action, singalong songs. **Enjoy!**



Next week's craft: You will need 2 pieces of A4 paper, scissors and glue. A printer will help too!



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