

CHILDREN'S PRAYER GUIDE

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Think of a time you were sad. Did you tell God how you felt? Think of a scary place you may have been. Was God with you in that place? Think of a time you did something wrong, or disobedient. Did God forgive you? Psalm 32 tells us that there is no place that is too far away from God. You can always pray to him. He will always forgive you. Knowing these things can help you feel calm and safe all of the time.

Not all children know that they can tell God how they feel, or that God will forgive them when they do wrong things. In Brazil, Ministério JEAME helps children who don't have homes and live on the streets. They tell them that when they are afraid and sad they can pray to God. They tell children who don't have families that God is always with them and they are never alone. The missionaries give the boys and girls food to eat and they help them find a safe place to live. The missionaries also help teenagers who have broken the law and are living at Casa Foundation. Casa Foundation is a special jail where teenagers live. They have school classes, and learn to be helpful in their neighborhoods. The missionaries from JEAME teach the teenagers that God will forgive them for the wrong things they have done. They also help them learn to make the right choices in the future.

At Christmas time, JEAME throws parties so everyone can celebrate that Jesus came to save them!

They give Bibles to the children so they can read about God's love for them in passages like Psalm 32. The missionaries from JEAME are friendly and kind so the children know

how much God loves

them. They visit the children and teenagers so they don't feel so lonely.

But the most important thing the missionaries do is teach them that

God can forgive them and He will be with them even when they feel

lonely or afraid.





MEET RAFAEL

Rafael is 6 years old. Before he was born, Rafael's Mom was homeless. Rafael's Dad went to jail due to some bad decisions and his Mom was left all alone on the street. It was a scary time for her. She was going to have a baby but didn't have a safe place to live or a job. Rafael's Mom learned about the JEAME street school where missionaries help women in difficult situations. The missionaries at JEAME rented a place for her to live and gave her a job as a cook for their staff! When Rafael's dad was released from jail they were all able to live together as a family. Now Rafael has a little sister. He enjoys going to school and learning his letters. He also loves to go to church with his mom and learning how to live like Jesus. The missionaries at JEAME helped his mom change her life so that she could take better care of both herself and her children.

HOW TO PRAY:

- Pray for the children who receive Bibles from JEAME. Pray they would read the Bible and learn about God.
- Pray for the teenagers living in Casa Foundation to be sorry for the wrong things they have done and learn to make good choices in the future.
- Pray that children without homes and families will find a safe place to live.

TRY A BRAZILIAN MANGO ICE CREAM

Mangos are a favorite fruit in Brazil. In America you may only be able to find one or two types of Mangos in the grocery store, but in Brazil your grocery store might have 15 different kinds of mangos! This easy recipe is perfect for a delicious dessert on a warm day.



Ingredients:

- 2 Mangoes (ripe), peeled and cubed
- 2 cups of vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt
- 4 Tbsp of sweetened condensed milk

Instructions:

1. Using a blender, blend all the ingredients until you obtain a creamy mixture.
2. Pour into individual dessert cups and bring them to the freezer for around 20 minutes.
3. If desired garnish with toasted coconut flakes.
4. Serve with sliced mango.

HANDS-ON PRAYER CHALLENGE:

Read Psalm 32:7 and Psalm 32:11

"You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance."

"Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!"

Pray that the children helped by the missionaries at JEAME will learn to be joyful and glad in the Lord. Pray that they will learn that God can keep them safe from trouble.

* For an even bigger challenge, try to memorize one or both of these verses!