



## A Prayer Guide for National Hospitality Week

Join us in praying for the child welfare staff who selflessly serve the most vulnerable families and children in our communities every day. Use this Prayer Guide during Hospitality Week to encourage local child welfare staff and thank them for the important work they do.

**Day 1** | **“Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.” - Philippians 2:4-7**

Pray that we would approach this week with a humble heart, sensitive to the needs of those around us. Pray that we would joyfully put the needs of others above our own, recognizing that God alone is our Salvation.

**Day 2** | **“Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” - Galatians 6:2**

Pray that the Lord would give us a desire to come alongside child welfare staff as they carry the weight of difficult decisions and great responsibility in the lives of children and families. Pray that the presence of the Church would provide encouragement and a spirit of togetherness.

**Day 3** | **“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” - John 13:34-35**

Pray that the love of Christ would be apparent through the local church. Pray that those who don’t know Christ would be deeply impacted by the love displayed this week.

**Day 4 | “Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” - Isaiah 41:10**

Pray against a spirit of fear and discouragement for child welfare staff. Go before God requesting strength on behalf of those tirelessly serving the most vulnerable in our community.

**Day 5 | “And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” - Philippians 4:7**

Pray that the peace of God would dwell in the hearts and minds of the child welfare staff in your local community. Pray over staff by name when possible. Pray that they would experience a supernatural peace despite overwhelming circumstances.