

12 Intercessional Prayers

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If you have friends and family whom you'd like to see become new believers, you can *add power to your witness by committing yourself to praying for them as you witness.*

Each of the 12 prayers below ask God to move in the life of the person you're praying for in a specific way, and they each closely paraphrase a relevant Scripture passage. Just insert the person's name in the spaces provided and put your heart into each prayer.

1. God, help me build a caring relationship with _____.

Help me become whatever kind of Christ-like servant _____ can identify with so that by all possible means they will be saved. (1 Corinthians 9:22)

2. God, send people into _____'s life to witness to them.

Send more believers into _____'s life who will exemplify Christ and cause them to want to know Christ for themselves. (Matthew 9:38)

3. God, bring me opportunities to witness to _____.

Open doors for proclaiming the mystery of Christ to _____, even in our present difficult circumstances. (Colossians 4:3)

4. God, give me boldness to witness to _____.

Enable me to speak your Word to _____ with great boldness. (Acts 4:29)

5. God, open _____'s spiritual eyes.

Break the blindness on _____'s mind caused by the god of this age. Help them see the light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (2 Corinthians 4:4)

6. God, help _____ realize their spiritual hunger and desire for change in their life.

Break complacency in _____'s mind and help them to want to see change in their life. (John 4:15)

7. God, make _____'s heart receptive to your Word.

Like the seed that falls on good soil, give _____ a noble and good heart, help them hear the Word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop. (Luke 8:11-15)

8. God, give _____ ears to hear.

Help _____ see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their heart and turn, and you will heal them. (Matthew 13:15)

9. God, set _____ free from spiritual captivity.

Help me gently instruct _____ when they are in opposition to you, in the hope that you will grant them repentance leading them to knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil. (2 Timothy 2:25-26)

10. God, give _____ faith to believe.

Help _____ make a radical life-change before God and an equally radical trust in their Master Jesus. (Acts 20:21)

11. God, give _____ the will to respond to you.

Bring _____ to the point they declare with their mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believes in their heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, and they will be saved. (Romans 10:9)

12. God, provide an opportunity to invite _____ to a relationship with you.

You want your house full, so give me opportunity and boldness to invite

_____ to come home to you. (Luke 14:23)