

PRAYER FOR CHILDREN AND CAREGIVERS

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Hear our prayers, O Lord, for the vulnerable children of the earth, as they survive the harsh realities of this world.

We grieve for those living in communities of constant hardship where children struggle every day. Let your light shine upon them and keep them from the darkness. Give strength and courage to the caregivers who nurture these children.

Walk beside them in all difficult journeys. When they are weary, carry them. Protect their bodies from ailment and heal those already sick.

Guide them to places of comfort, care and kindness. Merciful Father, open our hearts and minds to persevere in service to the needs of others.

We lovingly ask that you grant us this prayer, for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**