

UPWords Family Prayer Night

Possibilities – 82 Ways to Demonstrate God's Love

(Some are specific, some are more generic – either way, apply the circle of influence graphic at the end)

1. Check on your neighbors during this freeze and help them as needed.
2. Visit those who are ill.
3. Testify about God's goodness to others.
4. When eating out, ask the waiter if they have a need you can pray for as you say the blessing.
5. Volunteer at Feed the Need.
6. Share God's Word with someone.
7. Call to check on someone (that you haven't seen for a while or who has been sick or unable to do the things they normally do).
8. Reach out to someone with a phone call or text.
9. Share how serving others has changed you and invite people to serve with you.
10. Encourage and check on those in leadership.
11. Pray for others.
12. Try to defuse a difficult situation. (Be a peacemaker.)
13. Realize that love doesn't always mean agreeing.
14. Pray over disagreements.
15. Love the person; hate the disease (or sin). Be willing to hear "their" story.
16. Point people in the right direction.
17. Give others a connection with someone.
18. Join a deacon in visiting shut-ins.
19. Share a meal.
20. Help a coworker complete their task.
21. Be the hug on someone's hard day.
22. Allow God to use you as His vessel to speak to others in any situation.
23. Spend TIME with people.
24. Include your children when you are praying for someone who has asked.
25. Ask a stranger if they need help or prayer.
26. Pray for God to bless those who don't share my faith.
27. Ask God to enlighten you and help you pray for those outside your circle.
28. Sit and listen.
29. Tell each other about God and His love.
30. Be patient with your kids (spouse) when you are tired.
31. Actively acknowledge others during mundane activities such as driving, grocery shopping, etc.
32. Make a meal for someone who is sick or in need.
33. Tell someone, "God loves you."
34. Give funds to support a missionary.
35. Help elderly neighbors move to a retirement home.
36. Tell someone the gospel.
37. Tell other people that God loves them and their family.
38. Pray with someone at the moment they ask for prayer.
39. Find ways to publicly praise others.
40. Be a helping neighbor.
41. Smile and thank those working at restaurants, stores, etc. in the community.

42. Bake cookies for someone.
43. Pray for telemarketers and customer service representatives.
44. Follow what the Holy Spirit says when it's uncomfortable.
45. Try to see past the surface to the heart.
46. Babysit for a stressed family.
47. Tell others the everlasting God loves them.
48. Team up with a local elementary school to provide material needs of the classroom or students in need.
49. Take a meal to a family that is sick.
50. Bring care packages to teachers in the schools.
51. Encourage and compliment others – even if you don't know them.
52. Pray with people; don't just say you'll pray.
53. Intentionally make lunch dates with neighbors.
54. When in the grocery store, be kind and supportive of moms with young kids.
55. When traveling, keep your eyes open. Ask others if they are okay; smile at them; show them that you see them.
56. Simple acts of kindness – reach for something for someone; open doors; help someone walk up the stairs.
57. Contact your pastors, elders, deacons, and ministry leaders and let them know that you are praying for them and their families.
58. Call on a person to see how they are doing.
59. Buy groceries for someone in need.
60. Consistently make phone calls or send texts to encourage someone who may be lonely.
61. If you are concerned about someone, ask them if it is okay if you call them each week.
62. Ask someone who seems down if there is something you can pray for in their life.
63. Do not expect the lost to live by our (God's) standards.
64. Call someone in your family and tell them that you love them.
65. Pray with your kids nightly to give thanks and lift up your friends, families, and others around you who are sick, hurting, or lost.
66. Help your children know they can talk with God at any time. (Some adults may need to know this too.)
67. Be a greeter at church or volunteer with ministries the church supports.
68. Volunteer your time for anything you enjoy doing.
69. Set a goal for yourself to share the gospel. There are so many opportunities. Pray that God will give you these opportunities and then be ready to share!
70. Perform car care or maintenance for a single mom.
71. Say kind words to others.
72. Thank others for who they are in your life.
73. Rake someone's leaves.
74. Love your enemies.
75. Apologize when you have done something wrong or hurtful. Ask the person for their forgiveness.
76. Buy diapers or a baby outfit and drop off at the Pregnancy Resource Center.
77. Visit someone in a nursing home who never has visitors and listen as they talk. Ask questions about their life if they are alert and able to visit.
78. Pack a goodie basket and drop it off at the police department or fire station with a note thanking first responders and law enforcement officers.
79. Help serve meals in a soup kitchen for the homeless or those in need.
80. Pay for someone's fast food meal without them knowing.
81. Try to never be critical and judging of others. Ask God to help you see people through His eyes.
82. Make eye contact and smile in greeting as you pass people on the sidewalk or in the store.

CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE

