

## A Prayer for Lily

Father of all, we thank you for your greatness, your justice, and your mercy. Today, we pray for Lily, one of many of your precious ones, who desperately needs a foster family. We pray for the promise of a future more joyous than her present.

At five years old, Lily has seen too much and has been loved too little. Her mom loves her as much as her own darkness, emptiness, and hopelessness will allow. Drugs and alcohol have replaced mom's ability to parent and Lily is languishing in a sea of despair; she needs your light to shine into the deepest, darkest core of her being.

Lord, please hear our prayers for Lily and all children like her. So many are missing even the most basic care. Precious babies without enough to eat. Others who have never felt a parent's warm embrace. Children who have never heard "I love you" or "Your life matters to me." We ask that you also hear our prayers for the spiritual restoration of the parents who are too broken and undone to care for the valuable jewels you have given them.



We ask that you show each of us in the body of Christ how we can help to provide loving homes for orphans,

forgotten babies; your most precious and most vulnerable. Rekindle in the heart of each believer your call to defend the cause of the fatherless. Raise up families that embrace the same spirit of adoption you extended to us when you sacrificed Christ Jesus. Please, help the church to defend the 'Lillies' of this world.

### Father, show ME my role in defending the orphans. Show ME how I can be the light on

the hill for Lily in her time of crisis.

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"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you." -John 14:18

## PRAY

Say a daily prayer that the needs of children like Lily are met. That they are safe, cared for, and loved.

### **ACT**

At any given time, there are 1500 county children and youth in agency care. Take action today by becoming a Foster Parent, a Guardian ad Litem, a Mentor, or an Adoptive Parent.

**ADVOCATE** The goal of the church is not simply to start a peripheral ministry a few are involved in; it is to establish a foundational culture of caring for orphaned and vulnerable children in which everyone plays a role. "...to look after orphans in their distress" -James 1:27

DONATE Donate\* to help ensure every child's needs are being met, breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect.

## VOLUNTEER

Lend your voice or a helping hand. With just a small investment of time, you can impact a young person's life and see YOUR world change too!

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