

We invite you to seven days of prayer to join together and plead the cause of vulnerable children and orphans. Ask God how you and/or your church can join in His work to "set the lonely in families"

— the promise of Psalm 68:6.

### DAY<sub>1</sub>

He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

**Prayer:** Lord, break my heart for what breaks Yours and give me a personal sense of responsibility to pray regularly for orphans, vulnerable children, families in crisis, my church, and my community.

#### DAY<sub>2</sub>

God sets the lonely in families. Psalm 68:6a

**Prayer:** Thank you, Almighty God, for the families who have adopted and for those who are in the process of adopting. Please sustain, give wisdom, and provide for their emotional and physical needs.

# DAY<sub>3</sub>

The King will reply, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

**Prayer:** Father God, we ask you to provide more loving, Christian foster homes where children can find healing and encounter Jesus Christ as Savior. Please ensure that a child's *first* foster home will be their last, as multiple placements reduce the likelihood that children will experience the love and stability needed to grow into mature adults.

### DAY 4

And anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf is welcoming me. Matthew 18:5.

**Prayer:** Lord please raise up more foster and adoptive families who are motivated and willing to keep sibling groups together. Through your Holy Spirit empower them to love these children and their families well.

## DAY<sub>5</sub>

Give justice to the weak and fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked. Psalm 82: 2-3

**Prayer:** Lord pour out your mercy and blessing on families in crisis. Heal their emotional wounds and protect their vulnerable children from harm.

#### DAY 6

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. John 14:13

**Prayer:** Father in Heaven, bring your peace and grace to all who work in foster care and adoption. May your light shine in the darkness.

## DAY 7

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. James 1:27

**Prayer:** Lord, we pray that You would be glorified by your Church taking her rightful place in caring for orphans and vulnerable children.