

A Spring Break Prayer for Our Children and Youth

Faithful Father, we thank You for our children and youth. We thank You for fulfilling Your plans and purposes through our children and youth during their spring break activities. Thank You for blessing our children and youth with a chance to rest and relax. Loving Father, we bless Your Holy Name. We come before Your presence with thanksgiving and we shout joyfully to You, the Rock of our salvation. Lord, You are the great God, and the great King above all gods. In Your hand are the deep places of the earth; the mightiest mountains are Yours. The sea is Yours, for You made it, and Your hands formed the dry land. Lord, You are our God and we are the people You watch over, the flock under Your care.

Mighty Father, You make everything beautiful in its own time. Your Word declares that there is nothing better than to be happy and enjoy ourselves as long as we can. We confess that our children and youth will be happy and enjoy themselves during their spring break. We declare that they live in Your shelter, Most High, so they will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. As a result, no harm will come near them during their spring break. We confess that their parents will seek Your wisdom while planning activities for this week so that You will show them which path to take. By faith, we declare that as our families spend time together during this week of rest and fellowship, that they will be encouraged and knit together by strong ties of love. Lord, we declare that as they spend time together during this week, the hearts of the fathers will be turned back to their children, and the hearts of the children back to their fathers. By faith, we declare that our children and youth will obey their parents and the fathers will not provoke their children to anger by the way they treat them. We confess that peace, joy, unity, love and relaxation will prevail during this spring break.

Holy Spirit, please open financial doors so that our families can take vacations. For those students whose parents aren't planning a family trip, please lead and guide them to safe, holy activities and places during this week. Surround our children and youth with Godly friends who will not lead them into evil or destruction, but will encourage them to stay on the path of holiness and righteousness. Please help each student to find time to rest and relax, so that when they return to classes they are prepared to finish out this school year.

Redeeming Father, please forgive our children and youth for disobedience and all acts of sinfulness. Forgive those parents for any abuse or neglect of their children and youth. Forgive those for being so preoccupied with their own needs that they fail to have structure in their homes for healthy meals and quality family time. Forgive those for not always supporting our children's educational needs. Holy Spirit, remind our families of those they need to forgive and help them to be quick to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to forgive.

Holy Spirit, help our families to not yield to temptation; but deliver us from the evil one.

Sovereign Lord, Your Name is very great; Your glory towers over the earth and heaven. You are worthy, Lord, to receive glory, honor and power. You created all things and they exist because You created what You pleased. You are Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture References for the Written Text: Psalm 95:1-5,7, Ecclesiastes 3:11-12, Psalm 91:1,10, Proverbs 3:6, Colossians 2:2, Malachi 4:6, Ephesians 6:1,4, Proverb 2:20, Matthew 6:13, Psalm 148:13, Revelation 4:11, Isaiah 9:6

Power Confessions

Our Father, as our families plan for spring break, we confess that we will commit everything we do to You and trust that You will help us. **Psalm 37:5**

Righteous Father, we declare that as our children and youth obtain wisdom they will also gain joy during the spring break. We know that wisdom is more profitable than silver and her wages are better than gold. Wisdom will guide them down delightful paths; all her ways are satisfying. Wisdom will be a tree of life to them as they embrace her and happiness will come forth as they hold her tightly. **Proverb 3:13-18**

Worthy Father, we confess that our children and youth will not lose sight of common sense and discernment during the spring break. They will hang on to them and they will refresh their souls. They will be like jewels on a necklace; keeping them safe on their way and preventing their feet from stumbling. They will go to bed without fear; they will lie down and sleep soundly. **Proverb 3:21-24**

As a staff, we declare that during the spring break our children and youth will enjoy the rich and satisfying lives that Christ Jesus came to bring them. **John 10:10**