

## PRAYING FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE

## Scriptures to pray for Lydia children in foster care

**Psalm 9:9** "The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble."

Hosea 14:3 "In you the orphan finds mercy."

**Deuteronomy 10:18** "He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing."

**Psalm 82:3** "Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute."

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

**Psalm 68:5-6**"A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sunscorched land."

**Psalm 10:17-18** "O Lord, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more."

## Prayer Requests

Ask God to ...

-reunite children and youth with their biological/relative family, whenever possible

-prepare the hearts and minds of the children and youth for their future family

-move in the hearts and minds of families to foster kids

-connect kids and families and for both to overcome their fears

## Prayer Suggestion

Dear God,

Thank you for the children entrusted to the care of staff people at Lydia. Your message to us in the Bible says that you are a stronghold for the oppressed. Be that for our children in foster care. A rock, protection and provision for them. Move in the lives of their family so that they can be reunified, if possible. Heal the children from the wounds of things done and said to them and for the care and love not given. Provide a home for them. Show them, in the way only you can, of your great love for them and how you want to be invited and a part of their lives.

I ask all this in the strong and mighty name of Jesus! Amen!