

## December 2021

## Dear Friends,

Thank you for lifting up the youth at Indiana United Methodist Children's Home in prayer. The Bible tells us about the power of prayer. Philippians 4:6 says "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

For privacy reasons, we have changed the names in each prayer...but God knows exactly who they are and what they need!

Dear Lord: Richard and Sean were recently discharged from the Home. The youth have faced some troubled times recently. Lord, protect these young men from the challenges presented in front of them. Allow them to see past the temptations and give them clarity to make better choices. Lord, please protect and guide them in the right direction. In Your name we pray, *Amen*.

Dear God: We pray for Theresa as she will be placed with a foster family right before Christmas. Please help Theresa find refuge and shield her from any harm. We ask that Theresa would feel the presence of Your love and care in the absence of her biological family. Please help alleviate her loss, grief and confusion. We pray that Theresa finds security and confidence fully in You, knowing that You are trustworthy and true. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*.

Heavenly Father: #GivingTuesday was a huge success. Our youth will now have the Best Christmas Ever. Please Father, keep the youth safe as they travel to holiday events. Let

them know how much they are loved during the holiday season and all seasons. Give them the courage to let You into their hearts and find happiness and strength during this Christmas season. In Your name we pray, *Amen*.

Heavenly Father: Please keep Bianca and Ashley safe. They currently work part time as certified nursing assistance in a local nursing home. Please keep them healthy as they seek to serve the most vulnerable. Give them strength and resilience. Lord, we know you have lead Bianca and Ashley to serve others in need. Please offer them rest and peace when needed. Protect them as they go and serve. Thank you, God, for taking care of your servants. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*.

*Dear God:* We pray for Miss Vivian as she begins teaching a new Bible study to our residents. Please give Miss Vivian the wisdom and knowledge to reach each youth successfully. We also pray for our youth who will be studying the Bible and scripture. Let Your words be of comfort during their spiritual journey. Let them know that they are loved and instill in them hope for a better future. *Amen*.

Dear God: We celebrate the progress that Tim and Joe have made. They recently transitioned into one of the Independent Living Homes. Please help them move forward as they make plans to graduate from high school and apply for jobs in the community. Give them the confidence they need to forge ahead and have a smooth transition as they begin a life of independence. Thank you, God, for leading Tim and Joe on a productive path and surrounding them with people who care deeply about their happiness and well-being. In Your name we pray, *Amen*.