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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!*

*A Prayer for Easter - Lord, how can we ever thank You enough? You endured more pain, more shame, more sorrow, more grief than we can possibly fathom. Help us share the great Easter story with our youth about your love and why You gave Your life. Because of love. Because of mercy. Because we all need them both. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

*Dear God: We praise You for giving Jaden another chance to reconnect with her mother. She is excited to have her mom back in her life in a more positive way. We continue to pray that they become closer to You and Your ways. We pray that Your spirit continues to lead them to a life of love, joy, peace, and fulfillment. Amen.*

*Almighty God: We celebrate with Jake as he contemplates enlisting into the military. It is clear, Lord, that You have a plan for him. Please continue to guide Jake as he makes important decisions that will affect his path into adulthood. Thank You for placing the right people in Jake's life. Help him look forward to each new day as he makes this important decision. Amen.*

*Lord, we pray for Thomas as he chooses his educational path. He is worried about failing in higher education. Please give Thomas the confidence and self-esteem to move forward and make good decisions about his future. Please help him engage in dialogue with teachers and counselors as he decides what career path to take. We know You have a plan for Thomas. Please help him find the way. In Your Name we pray, Amen.*

*Dear God: We celebrate with Addie! She has lived at the Home for one year and she is ready to be successfully discharged into a foster home setting. We pray for a smooth transition for Addie and her foster family. Lord, help Addie to use the skills she learned at the Children's Home to help her thrive in her new living environment. We pray for the foster family, as well, as they welcome Addie into their home. We know You are placing Addie into a good home. Lord, with Your love and compassion, she will see that people care deeply about her happiness and well-being. Thank You for giving Addie renewed hope, Lord. Amen.*

*Lord, look upon all our youth who struggle with anger, anxiety, doubt, frustration, and hopelessness. Your Holy Word tells us that all things work together for the good of those who love God. Lord, we know that means that You make all things good for all who follow You. Remind our staff, our youth and all of our supporters of Your invitation to "Cast all your cares upon me, because I care for you." In Your Name we pray, Amen.*