



April 2023

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:* We pray for Jake and his family. He recently found out his grandmother has cancer and will be undergoing treatments during the next few months. Lord, let Your healing power flow through every cell of her body. Help Jake to trust in You and Your healing powers. Lord, You are our strength when we are weak and we are grateful when You manifest Your power through our lives. Please protect Jake and his family as they go through these trying times. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*

*Dear God:* Alicia is worried about her family. They recently experienced a frightening experience when recent tornadoes ripped through their community. God, please surround them with prayers for strength. We ask that You heal their memories of trauma. Be with this family and help them find peace and comfort in Your loving presence. *Amen*

*Dear Jesus:* Thank You for surrounding our youth during Holy Week and Easter. They experienced the glory of Your Resurrection. We are also thankful for Pastor Perry who provided meaningful worship services throughout the week. For some of our youth, they experienced Holy Communion for the first time. Thank You, Jesus, for helping our youth experience a meaningful Easter. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*

*Dear Lord:* Jason is depressed and confused due to some recent trauma in his life. His family is in turmoil and his father is serving a prison sentence for the next several years. Jason feels lost and lonely. God, please surround Jason with Your love and healing spirit. Help him to realize that You have the power to alleviate all fear and doubt about his family situation. Let Jason know that he is loved and that he is in good hands with You, Lord. *Amen*

*Dear God:* We celebrate with our students in the English class. They went out of their comfort zone with much integrity! They just completed dramatic literature skits and performed in front of some staff. Thank You God, for giving them the confidence to memorize a script and to perform in front of adults. We are grateful that You present our youth with new experiences that lead to growth and confidence. For we know Your power is mighty, Lord. *Amen*