

tips for youth workers

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**#BeKind** – Submitted by Carson Decker

As summer approaches, here are some ideas to show kindness and offer encouragement to others.



We're celebrating you! Join us on Saturday, June 26th for an ice-cream treat.

# **Idea: School's Out Drive Thru**

As the school year wraps up in June, why not offer a School's Out Drive Thru ... inviting students, teachers, and support staff to come by your parking lot (or other designated location) for an ice-cream treat & a friendly "hello" or "congrats on a successful school year".

## **Idea: Neighborhood Beverage Stand**

Give back to your neighbors with a Beverage Stand in your yard/driveway. Serve cold drinks & share in conversation with your neighbors. Beverage options: water, lemonade, soft drink (bottles & cans of course).



## **Idea: Good Neighbor**

One of the biggest ways the church can serve the community is by being a good neighbor. Explore ways your church can be a good neighbor ... and then do it. Ideas could include: trash pickup, free BBQ @ the park, serve a free BBQ lunch in a local business park, parking lot fun day, supplies drive for a local shelter (collecting socks, t-shirts, toiletries, etc.).

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#### Idea: Dinner's On Us – #shareameal

Think of someone you would like to bless with a meal. Purchase the ingredients for one of your favourite recipes and place supplies in a basket, with the recipe card. Deliver basket to the individual/family you're wanting to show kindness to. \*This could also be done in connection with your local food bank or CFS ministry, with families donating meal baskets.

## **Idea: Serving Saturday**

Have youth/young adults serve the elderly/shut-in of your church community, by doing yard/garden work, house cleaning, small reno projects (painting deck/fence), running errands (grocery shopping), etc. After projects are completed, gather the team together to share what they did and the impact it had on them personally. Share pizza and snacks together.

# **Idea: Praying for You**

Set up a prayer table for neighbors taking walks or driving by your house.

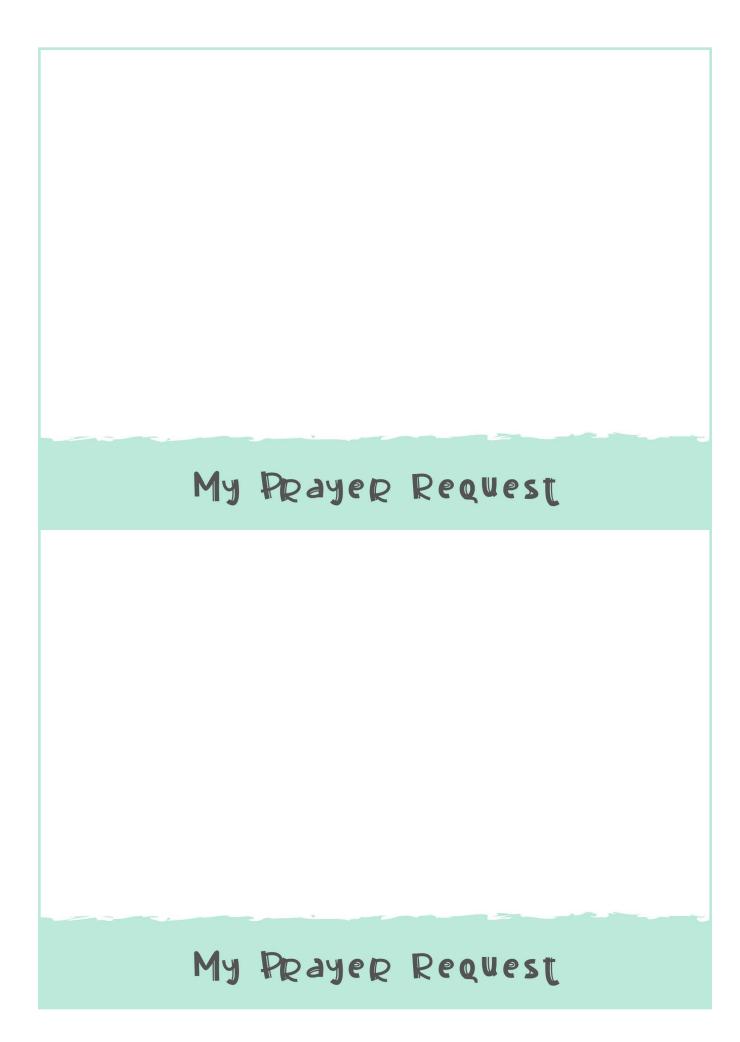
#### What You Will Need:

Set a table out on your front lawn or driveway with a small basket that has new, sharpened pencils of any size, and prayer cards (see page 3) that are individually sealed in zip-lock baggies. Also, put a separate basket on the table for people to put their prayer requests into. Make a large sign that says, "How Can We Pray for You?" See page 4 for instructions to leave on the table.

## **Bags for Foster Kids**

Gather donations to purchase a backpack and necessities that you can deliver to a local foster care office.





# Praying For You!

HELLO NEIGHBORS!
WE WOULD LOVE TO PRAY FOR YOU.

PLEASE TAKE A CARD AND WRITE DOWN
A NEED OR REQUEST YOU HAVE.

PUT YOUR CARD BACK IN THE BAGGIE, SEAL IT AND PUT IT IN THE OTHER BASKET.

TO KEEP US ALL SAFE, PLEASE TAKE THE PENCIL WITH YOU AS A GIFT.

WE WILL REGULARLY PICK UP THE PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAY OVER THEM!

THANKS FOR LETTING US PRAY FOR YOU!

GOD BLESS YOU!