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In Step with the Master Teacher

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Creative praying

Children can show great faith and are willing to pray about everything. Keep your prayer time interesting and relevant by planning creative ways for them to pray.



Practical Tip

Stacking Hand Prayers

Arrange everyone in a circle with their right hand stretched out towards the centre. Their hands should form a stack with one hand on top of another. The child whose hand is on top will be the first to pray. When he has finished his prayer, he removes his hand. The child whose hand is next in the stack is the next one to pray. If any child doesn't want to pray they can remove their hand when it's their turn and the next child prays instead. Continue until each child has had the opportunity to pray, and there are no hands left in the centre of the circle. If you have a large group, divide them into several small circles.

Prayer for Countries

Before the children arrive, display a large world map, and place a small souvenir from another country in a bag. When it is time for prayer, choose one child to take the item out of the bag and let the other children guess which country it represents. After they have identified the country, see if they can find it on the map. Share relevant information about the country that will help the children see the need to pray for the children in that country, along with specific prayer requests. Plan for a different country each month, but continue praying for the other countries you have introduced.

To learn more, we recommend the ISMT training session:

Helping Children Discover Prayer

Pray in the Spirit at all times. Pray with all kinds of prayers, and ask for everything you need...

Ephesians 6:18
(International Children's Bible)



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