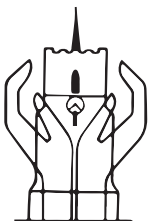


ADVENT Challenge

Do 24 small acts of kindness (in any order!) over Advent and make the world around you a little better. On Christmas Day ask everyone in your home to read the prayer overleaf.



- Make your own Christingle or bake a Christingle cake! Visit bit.ly/tcs-cake for the recipe
- Tell the Christmas story to your pet, or to a plant or teddy bear
- Donate a Christmas treat to a food bank
- Phone the person who's on your mind
- Pray for children who are alone this Christmas
- Talk to someone who may be sad / lonely
- Put out some food for birds
- Buy a gift for someone special from a Children's Society shop or online: <https://bit.ly/47qK9Rf>
- Give a small bunch of flowers to someone
- Read The Children's Society's "How you can help" ideas - go to bit.ly/tcs-help
- Pray Numbers 6 v24-26 for someone who needs God's peace
- Go to a carol service at your local church
- Make a Christmas decoration for your tree
- Invite a neighbour in for tea
- Put aside a bottle to donate to next year's Deanery Fair
- Make up with someone you have argued with
- Pray for children caring for their families over Christmas
- Read a story of a child helped by The Children's Society: go to <https://bit.ly/3SAI8O5>
- Pray for someone you think is having a difficult time
- Put up Christmas lights or a decoration outside your house
- Spend a day saying nice things to everyone you meet!
- Tell someone your favourite Christmas cracker joke!
- Drop in on an elderly neighbour - maybe with a cake or picture you've drawn
- Offer to help clean or tidy up your local church/churchyard



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A Christmas prayer for the work of The Children's Society



Lord Jesus, born in a stable,



Give courage to all who do not have a safe place to call home.

**Lord Jesus, for whom the angels sang,
Give the song of the kingdom to all who weep.**



**Lord Jesus, worshipped by the shepherds,
Give peace on earth to all who are oppressed.**



**Lord Jesus, visited by both wise and meek,
Give wisdom and humility to all who govern.**



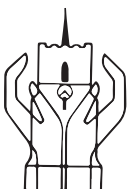
**Lord Jesus, whose radiance filled a lowly manger,
shine in our lives today,
give hope to all vulnerable children and young people
and bless the work of The Children's Society
in giving them a brighter future.**



Amen

CAMPAIGN FOR CHANGE IN 2024

Become a Children's Society campaigner in 2024. Find out how by following this link: bit.ly/tcs-campaign (please note it's case-sensitive!)



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