

December 2018 Prayer Guide

ORPHANS & WIDOWS

SALVATION

"Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them." Hebrews 7:25, ESV

- + Ask God to encounter every orphan and widow in our city so that they would know Him as their great provider and protector.
- + Pray for the salvation of foster care parents and elderly care workers who oversee their welfare.
- + Pray for Christ to direct the lives of orphans and widows so Jesus' healing and restoration can manifest in their families.

THE CHURCH

"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

James 1:27, ESV

- + Pray for God's heart of compassion in His church toward orphans and widows and for wisdom on how to reach out to them.
- + Pray for individual church families to open homes and lives to those need of a family this holiday season.
- + Pray for a greater revelation of the function and purpose of a spiritual family in every church in our city.

OUR COMMUNITIES

"He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing." Deuteronomy 10:18, ESV

- + Pray for more Christ-centered institutions and programs in our city to support the needs of orphans and widows.
- + Ask for God's compassion and wisdom for friends and relatives to reach out and comfort those who need support especially this Christmas.
- + Pray for our governmental leaders and those in authority to have wisdom on how to best implement laws that help safeguard orphans and widows from abuse.

TRANSFORMATION

"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God..." Ephesians 2:19, ESV

- + Pray that orphans and widows would be transformed in His love and heal from any past wounds.
- + Pray that God would transform the "orphan mentality" and help children to feel safe in knowing His care and protection.
- + Pray that God would transform the hearts and minds of those who have abused or exploited orphans and widows that they might know Jesus.