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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!

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

*Dear God:* Ten students will be graduating from the James E. Davis school. This is a monumental achievement for each of the graduating seniors. We pray that You give them hope as they step into a new future. Help them with each challenge they may encounter and give them the wisdom to solve any challenging circumstances. Most importantly, keep them close to You, Lord. Make sure that their values stay guarded and that their faith becomes even stronger. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*.

*Dear God:* Alene is dealing with deep depression. A few days ago, she visited her ailing grandmother and was shocked to see her in such poor condition. Her grandmother has just a few months to live. Alene also learned that her beloved dog died a few days ago and she is grieving. God, please assure Alene of Your unfailing mercy. Give her patience, love, and understanding as she deals with grief and depression. Continue to surround her with people who can give her love and compassion. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*.

*Almighty God:* Maria is very nervous about passing her math test. She has passed all of the other tests so she is very close to getting her Graduate Equivalency Diploma. Maria is struggling with staying focused and has bouts of self-doubt. Lord, please instill in Maria that she has the knowledge and strength to pass the math test and earn her diploma. In Your Name we pray, *Amen*.

*Dear Lord:* Chuck has been at the Children's Home for nearly two years. He has never had a loving home life. Chuck will be leaving the Children's Home soon and has made great progress. A few days ago, he was told that he would have a host family once he leaves the Children's Home. Chuck is happy to have this family in his life. Lord, we pray for a peaceful transition for Chuck and his host family. Thank You for placing him with people who care about his future and well-being. *Amen*.

*Dear Lord:* We pray for Martin. He just applied for barber school and is excited about his future. Martin is passionate about hair design and has practiced his barbering skills on some of the staff. Thank You, Lord, for the people who encouraged Martin to pursue his dream. For once in Martin's life, he sees an exciting future where he will make a good living doing what he loves to do. Martin has renewed hope, thanks to Your presence, Lord. *Amen.* 

Thank you for praying for our youth.