**FAMILY TABLE ACTIVITY INSTRUCTIONS #2**

**FAMILY PRAYER CAN**

This is a simple plan to help your family pray more for more things!

**Tips for Your Family**

• Customize this idea to fit your family's ages and stages.

• Try it following a meal, as part of family devotions, or at bedtime.

• Each person pulls a stick from the can and then offers a brief prayer.

• You'll figure out ways that work for your family

• Light a little candle to bring focus and calm (no guarantees!).

**Materials List**

• 6-12 wooden craft or popsicle sticks (jumbo, colored are super fun!)

• colorful paper to create a band around your can or cup

• small stickers to optionally decorate can or sticks

• markers (Sharpie preferred)

• glue stick

• scotch tape to reinforce if needed

• can, pot or coffee cup (decorate optionally)

• Bible

**Instructions**

• Cut a strip of paper to wrap the outside of your can.

• Choose a scripture or idea to write on the strip of paper:

 Possible verses: Psalm 145:18 or Colossians 4:2

 Other ideas: "God Hears Our Prayers" or "Family Prayers"

• Decorate optionally and glue onto can

• Gather popsicle sticks (jumbo is great!) or cut slices of cardboard to use.

• Using a marker write a person or thing to pray for on each stick (ideas below)

**Prayer ideas---choose what is relevant to your family**

It's best to write categories rather than specifics, which may change.

Dad Mom Each of children

Grandparents Friends Our neighbors

Our church Leaders Job(s)

Our learning (school or homeschool)

Something that's hard for us

Something we're thankful for