

Prayer Strategy Ideas for Your VBS



Ideas for Adults and Congregations

- Place two week prayer guides in the bulletin before VBS
- Distribute the prayer cards (from the Admin Guide) during the week of VBS
- Distribute a monthly prayer calendar for your congregation (from Admin Guide).
- Post Prayer requests on Social Media before, during, and after VBS
- Have a VBS Prayer time during your church services leading up to and after VBS
- Recruit groups who will prayer walk the church, both before and during VBS (use the prayer walk brochure in the Admin Guide)
- Purchase inexpensive plastic bracelets and write workers' names on them. Hand them out the Sunday morning before VBS starts as a prayer reminder.
- Distribute index card size prayer cards to put in the car (Pray at stop lights, etc.)
- Host a Prayer night for VBS with Prayer stations.
- Purchase inexpensive space-themed items such as star magnets to send home with your church members as a reminder to pray.

Ideas for our Children's Ministries and Families

- Make Doorknob hangers for the kids' bedrooms
- Have the kids make star-shaped VBS prayer cards to pass out at the end of service.
- Buy a packet of M&Ms or Skittles and have each person draw one piece of candy. Each color will stand for something to pray for related to VBS.
- Have a beach ball with various prayer prompts attached to it. Pass it around the circle and have the kids pray for whatever prompt their thumb lands on.
- Make a telescope out of a paper towel tube, and let kids search for a prayer request star with their telescope.
- Hang glow in the dark stars in your child's bedroom, as a reminder to pray for VBS before bed each night.
- Make VBS placemats to use as a reminder to pray for VBS at meals.
- Go on a walk together with your family in the evening and watch the stars come out. While you walk, have each member of the family voice a prayer for VBS.
- Make/decorate star or planet shaped cookies, and spend time praying as they bake.
- Make a bracelet out of star shaped beads at home or in Sunday School.
- Have a series of Children's Sermons related the VBS stories. Have a specific item to give out at each sermon as a reminder to pray.
- Use star reminders on everyday items. When you see them, pray for VBS. (i.e. star magnets on the refrigerator, star stickers on the mirror, etc.)

