



Find the words in the wordsearch below. The words remind us what to pray for when we pray for persecuted children - children who might be attacked, bullied or even killed because they and their families love and follow Jesus Christ. Find the words in 5 different directions:



- love
- peace
- courage
- protection
- hope
- joy
- trust
- faith
- strength
- comfort
- safety

l	o	j	f	s	t	r	u	n	g
h	o	s	o	a	e	f	h	o	y
p	t	h	a	v	i	t	a	i	c
e	s	a	o	f	g	t	f	t	o
a	u	l	o	n	e	n	h	c	m
c	r	t	e	t	y	t	p	e	f
e	t	r	p	e	o	c	y	t	o
s	t	f	a	i	j	a	y	o	r
s	c	o	u	r	a	g	e	r	t
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Dear Jesus,

Please be with all Christian children around the world who start this new year feeling very scared: afraid of being bullied or hurt at school; frightened that their family will be harmed; terrified of being attacked in their homes or at church. Give them Your great strength and protection Jesus! Make them brave. Help them know you are with them always.



Dear God,

Please be with 5 Christian girls in Nigeria who were kidnapped in June 2021. Their names are Elizabeth, Esther, Rebecca, Neempere and Bilha. Please keep them safe. Pour Your great love, peace and courage into their hearts and minds. Help the kidnappers believe in You and send the girls home safely. Be close to their families as they are so worried. Help them all trust You. Amen.



Be a detective and crack the code to work out this month's Bible verse: a = 1, b = 2, c = 3, etc.

"20, 8, 5 12, 15, 18, 4 8, 9, 13, 19, 5, 12, 6 7, 15, 5, 19

2, 5, 6, 15, 18, 5 25, 15, 21 1, 14, 4 23, 9, 12, 12 2, 5

23, 9, 20, 8 25, 15, 21; 8, 5, 23, 9, 12, 12 14, 5, 22, 5, 18

12, 5, 1, 22, 5 25, 15, 21 14, 15, 18 6, 15, 18, 19, 1, 11, 5

25, 15, 21." (4, 5, 21, 20, 5, 18, 15, 14, 15, 13, 25 chapter 31, verse 8)



Dear Jesus,

Please help all persecuted children to know that You are with them every second of the day and night and that You will never ever leave them. Help them feel Your arms of love around them and know that, whatever is happening, you are right there beside them to look after them.



Dear Jesus,

Please help children in Afghanistan get enough food, water, fuel and medical care so they can be warm and well fed during the freezing winter. Help their families get enough money by Your miraculous power so that they have enough to live on and can look after their children. Keep the families together in Your mercy and love. Amen.

Thank you for praying for persecuted children - you make a BIG difference to their lives! God hears and answers your prayers! God bless you!