

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!!

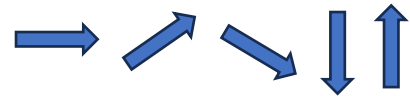
Dear Father God,

Thank and praise You for using Your great power to bring Jesus back to life! Thank You that Jesus beat death, sadness, pain, fear and everything bad. Put Your arms of love around children and youth whose parents, family or friends have been killed because they believed in Jesus. Hold them close. Let them know that their loved ones are with Jesus in heaven where there is no more suffering or sadness - only joy, laughter and love forever! Let the fact that Jesus came back to life give them great hope, strength, faith and peace and the truth that, one day, they will be with Jesus and their family in heaven. Amen.



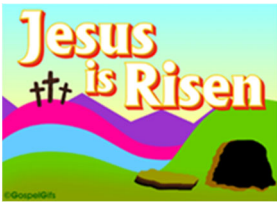
Find the following words in the wordsearch below. They are all found in the Bible in Luke 24: 1 - 8 & 36 - 39.

The words are written in 5 directions:



women
tomb
stone
rolled
Jesus
risen
crucified
raised
third
peace
hands
feet

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Dear Jesus,

Give special protection to Christian children, youth and their families and friends around the world this Easter. Holy Week and Easter are times when Christians are especially attacked.

Keep them safe by Your Almighty power as they go to church, in their homes, at work or school - everywhere they go! Make them brave and strong. Help them to keep believing in and following You even when they are being bullied, threatened or attacked. Speak to those who want to hurt them so they believe in You too and say sorry for what they have done. Amen.



Dear Jesus,

Continue to wrap Your loving arms around the Mums and Dads and families whose children were killed in the Easter Sunday

attack in Sri Lanka 5 years ago. Three churches were bombed and nearly 300 were killed including many children. 500 were hurt. Pour Your great love into the hearts of the children and youth whose parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters and friends were killed. Hold them tight and give them Your peace, strength and hope when they feel so sad and lonely. Thank You that many Christians have shown the love of Jesus to their attackers by forgiving them. Such a brave thing to do! Help the people who want to hurt Christians experience Your love and give their lives to You. Amen.



Dear God,

Give Your special love and comfort to children and youth in Eritrea whose Mums or Dads have been sent to prison for following Jesus. Their parents often stay in prison for many, many years and are treated very badly and can become very ill. Help the children know Your peace and strength as they worry about their parents and miss them so much. Help them trust You to be with their parents and look after them. Protect their loved ones and let them feel that You are with them every second of the day and night. Set them free so they can be with their children again praising Your Name!



Dear Jesus,

We pray for Your supernatural healing on children who have been badly hurt because they love You. Give them faith that You will answer their prayers and powerfully heal their minds and their bodies. Amen.



Our Bible reading this month is found in Matthew 28:6a. It says,
"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said."

The picture below will help you memorise the Bible verse. The first letter of each word of the Bible verse is written on the picture: *Hinhhrjahs*.

These letters give you a clue to help you remember each word. As you colour in the picture, keep saying the verse aloud so you can keep it in your memory and remember the miraculous power that God gave Jesus to come back to life and the new life He gives to each one of us.

