



7 Day Children's Prayer Guide

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Welcome to the Love France 7 Day Children's Prayer Guide

This fun and exciting 'Running the Race' guide is specially designed for you, a Champion in Training for God!

Over the next seven days, you'll dive into some awesome topics like hearing from God, knowing who you are in Jesus, and sharing His love with others. Plus, you'll get to explore some cool French flavours and landmarks along the way!

Each day, you'll have a new theme to focus on - like starting strong with God's Word, staying focused on Jesus, and finishing strong with His strength. You'll also learn about amazing places and foods in France, and how to pray for the Paralympic athletes who are competing with all their hearts.

HERE'S HOW TO USE YOUR GUIDE:

Each day, start by reading the theme and the Bible verse. Then, check out the action point and try to put it into practice - maybe with a little help from your parents!

Don't forget the prayer pointers, where you'll pray for France and the athletes. These are like spiritual pit stops that keep you on track in your race with Jesus.

And guess what? There's a theme song called "**Running the Race**" that's just for you! Sing it loud and proud every day to remind yourself that with Jesus, you're unstoppable!



You can also be part of an amazing marathon gift of **1 million prayers** from the worldwide church, for France! All you have to do is click the red 'Click to Gift a Prayer' button each day. Thanks a Million!

SO, LACE UP YOUR SHOES, GRAB YOUR BIBLE, AND LET'S GET GOING!

Remember, this isn't just about reading - it's about putting your faith into action. And as you pray and practice each day, you're getting stronger in your race for God.

Remember Hebrews 12:1: "Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." Keep praying, keep running, and win the race with Jesus by your side!

READY, GET SET, GO!



Daily Themes & Bible Verses for the Children's 7 Day Love France Prayer Guide

The goal of this guide is to help kids aged 6-12 years around the world to pray with their families, focusing on prayer for France and the Para-Games.

Use the 7 days of devotionals on dates that suit you!

We are really glad you're joining us!

May the Holy Spirit guide and speak to you as you pray for others to come to know the magnificent love of Jesus. We have 7 daily themes set under the banner of 'Running the Race':

DAY 1 Start Strong with God's Word

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

PSALM 119:105

DAY 2 Stay Focused on Jesus' Example

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

HEBREWS 12:2

DAY 3 Persevere Through Challenges with Faith

Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life.

JAMES 1:12

DAY 4 Run with Purpose and Passion

Run in such a way as to get the prize.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24

DAY 5 Encourage Others Along the Way

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11

DAY 6 Finish Strong with God's Strength

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

PHILIPPIANS 4:13

DAY 7 Celebrate the Victory in Christ

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:57



The World's Eyes are on France!

The Para-Games, set to take place in Paris from August 28 to September 8, 2024, promise to be a landmark event, showcasing extraordinary athletic talent and resilience. With over 4,400 athletes from around 180 countries, the Games will feature 22 sports, including popular events like wheelchair basketball, athletics, and swimming.

Paris is expected to welcome more than 2.8 million spectators and attract a significant influx of tourists, eager to witness these remarkable performances and explore the vibrant city.

The eyes of the world really are expected to be on Paris, with over 3 billion watching online!

This season of the Para Games aims not only to celebrate the athletes' achievements but also to further the global conversation on inclusivity and accessibility.

OUR AIM...

Our aim is to equip the world to cover France, the Para-Games, and the outreaches taking place with their prayers!

This Love France Children's Prayer Guide and the accompanying adult prayer guide have been produced in partnership with **2 Billion Children (2BC)** and **Impact France**.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE...

This Love France Children's 7 day Prayer Guide has been produced for 6-12 year olds. It can be used individually, but it's also an ideal resource for families or church groups.

We've not dated the guide, to provide freedom with when you use it, during the games or beyond.

INSPIRING ATHLETES / PARA-ATHLETES

The world of sports is filled with stories of triumph, but none are more inspiring than those of Christian athletes who use their platforms to glorify God.

Athletes like Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone, who broke world records in track, and Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce, a sprinting legend, consistently point to their faith as the source of their strength and success. In the pool, swimmers Caeleb Dressel and Simone Manuel have both achieved greatness, yet they remain steadfast in their commitment to Christ, sharing how their victories are a testament to His grace.

Gymnast Brody Malone and Paralympian Matt Simpson, who have overcome significant challenges, echo this sentiment, embodying resilience rooted in faith. Jarryd Wallace, another Paralympian, uses his journey to inspire others, showing how faith can transform adversity into a powerful witness.

These athletes not only excel in their sports but also serve as lights for Christ in a world in need of hope.

EXTERNAL LINKS

There are various links to external sources of more information. We would advise supervising children with accessing those sources as we cannot be responsible for their content.

BE BLESSED AND ENCOURAGED

The guide provides countless opportunities to reflect and give thanks for the way God equips us in our daily lives to be His champions!

We trust that everyone that uses this resource will grow in their walk of faith and witness.



Justin's Story

Justin is an incredibly talented young Indonesian writer. He overcame the massive challenges of autism, difficulty speaking and daily struggles to publish his first book at the age of 8. Despite his difficulties, Justin uses his writing to inspire and encourage others worldwide, turning his challenges into a source of strength.

Justin has written our daily thoughts and themes for the 7 Day Prayer Guide and trusts that each one of us is blessed, comforted and encouraged by them.

Follow Justin on [Instagram](#) | Buy [Justin's Book](#)

NEVER EVER GIVE UP ON YOUR DREAMS!

I am Justin Gunawan from Secondary One.

Today I want to talk about dreams. Everyone young and old has dreams.

I have a dream to be a speaker and a writer... but life is not always smooth. The road is not always clear.

I was diagnosed with a severe speech disorder. I didn't really speak until I was five years old. Hours and hours of therapy had helped me to where I am now, still choppy and had difficulty.

Do I ever have self pity?
Do I feel sorry for myself?
Do I ever give up to my dream?

No!! it's only made me work harder and harder.

Let me be honest with you, occasionally yes.

I might get frustrated, tired and a little discouraged with my situation.

So what do I usually do? Breathe, rest and relax but never ever give up!

Justin Gunawan (14)

Do let Justin know how you have been encouraged [HERE](#)

MORE ABOUT JUSTIN...

Justin's name originates from France! It's of Old French origin and means "justice."

Justin was diagnosed with autism at two. He was unable to speak until five. He underwent 40 hours of therapy weekly. He was not accepted by 15 schools before finally finding one. At seven, his writing skill was assessed at just 0.1 percent, but his mother's efforts to teach him how to hold a pencil and write bore fruit. By eight, Justin's writing was published by a national publisher.

Despite his difficulties in speaking and the daily struggles with his autism, Justin uses his writing to inspire and encourage others worldwide, turning his challenges into a source of strength. His writing can be seen on Instagram [@justinyoungwriter](#), where he continues to share his journey and connect with people around the world.



Running the Race

THEME SONG!



[[PLAY VIDEO](#)]

Verse 1:

We're running the race with God by our side,
His Word is our guide, our hearts open wide.
Start each day strong with a prayer in our heart,
We'll follow Jesus' lead, right from the start.

Chorus:

We're running, we're running, with our eyes on the goal,
With Jesus in our hearts, He's making us whole.
We'll persevere, we'll stay on track,
In faith and love, we'll never turn back.

Verse 2:

When challenges come, we won't be afraid,
God gives us strength, in Him we are made.
We'll share His love, with everyone we meet,
Encouraging others, our joy is complete.

Chorus:

We're running, we're running, with our eyes on the goal,
With Jesus in our hearts, He's making us whole.
We'll persevere, we'll stay on track,
In faith and love, we'll never turn back.

Verse 3:

We'll finish strong, with God's mighty hand,
In victory through Christ, we will stand.
Celebrate the win, His grace is our prize,
Forever in His love, we rise!

Chorus:

We're running, we're running, with our eyes on the goal,
With Jesus in our hearts, He's making us whole.
We'll persevere, we'll stay on track,
In faith and love, we'll never turn back.

Bridge:

With each step, we trust His plan,
In God's love, forever we stand.

Chorus (Repeat):

We're running, we're running, with our eyes on the goal,
With Jesus in our hearts, He's making us whole.
We'll persevere, we'll stay on track,
In faith and love, we'll never turn back.

(Instrumental)**Verse 3: (x2)**

We'll finish strong, with God's mighty hand,
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Bridge:

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In God's love, forever we stand.

Chorus:

We're running, we're running, with our eyes on the goal,
With Jesus in our hearts, He's making us whole.

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Love France

Taste of France

Baguettes

Crunchy on the outside and soft bread inside, French baguettes are perfect for any meal. They're as famous in France as the Eiffel Tower!

Just as runners start their race with focus, we begin our day with God's Word to guide our steps.

God's Word is our starting block. Just like a runner needs a strong start, we need His Word to begin our day with direction and strength.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

PSALM 119:105



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INSPIRING ATHLETES

Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone

SPORTS: Track and Field (400m Hurdles)

Sydney, a world champion hurdler, has consistently used every opportunity to glorify God. After setting a new world record, she praised God openly, declaring that "Anything is possible in Christ" and crediting her faith for her success.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Sydney](#) | [Instagram](#)



Justin's THOUGHT

Begin each day by anchoring yourself in God's word, your unshakable foundation. Just as a runner draws strength from a powerful start, let His truth ignite your soul, guiding each step you take with intention and grace.

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3 Prayers for Today...

- 1 **A PRAYER FOR FRANCE**
Please help Christian families in France stay strong in their faith and shine Your light brightly.
- 2 **A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES**
May the Paralympic Games run safely, smoothly and with great success.
- 3 **MY PRAYER**
Help me start each day reading Your Word, so it lights my path like Psalm 119:105

Action Point

Begin each day by reading a Bible verse, letting it guide your thoughts and actions.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

F1M Click to Gift a Prayer!



Love France

Taste of France

Eiffel Tower

Standing tall in Paris, the Eiffel Tower sparkles at night, offering incredible views. It's like France's most famous landmark waving "bonjour" to the world!

Athletes keep their eyes on the goal. We keep our eyes on Jesus, following His perfect example every day.

In a race, staying focused is key. We look to Jesus, our ultimate example, to stay on track in our lives and choices.



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce

SPORTS: Track and Field (Sprinting)

Shelly-Ann, a Jamaican sprinter, views her running as an act of worship, stating that she hopes her performance pleases God. She sees her athletic talent as a divine gift and competes with the intention of giving glory to God.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Shelly](#) | [Instagram](#)

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

HEBREWS 12:2

Justin's
THOUGHT



Life is a race where our focus is fixed on Jesus, the ultimate source of strength and direction. As we follow His perfect pace, we run with purpose, knowing we're always on track with Him.

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3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

Bless the Christian schools in France. Help the teachers and students to grow strong in their faith.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Give peace and joy to the families of the athletes as they support their loved ones.

3

MY PRAYER

Teach me to keep my eyes on You, following Your example in everything I do.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

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Love France

Taste of France

Cheese

France's cheeses are like edible art — creamy, tangy, and full of flavor! Each bite tells a story of the French countryside.

Runners face hurdles and challenges, but perseverance brings victory. In life, faith helps us overcome and keep going.

Just as athletes train hard and push through obstacles, we trust God to help us through life's challenges with perseverance and faith.

Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life.

JAMES 1:12



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Simone Manuel

SPORTS: Swimming

Simone, another U.S. swimmer, attributes her perseverance and success to her faith. After winning a spot on the Olympic team, she expressed gratitude to God for the strength to push through difficult times and achieve her goals.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Simone](#) | [Instagram](#)

Justin's THOUGHT



Persevere like a runner who overcomes every hurdle knowing that each challenge brings you closer to the crown of life God has promised. With faith as your strength, no trial can stand in the way of your victory.

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3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

Guide the church leaders in France. Help them teach others about You with love and wisdom.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Protect the athletes' health. Keep them strong and safe from injuries during the Games.

3

MY PRAYER

Give me strength to keep going through tough times, trusting You will bless my perseverance.

Action Point

When you face a challenge today, say a quick prayer asking God for strength to persevere.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

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Love France

Taste of France

Le Louvre

The Louvre is a treasure chest of amazing art, where you can meet the Mona Lisa and discover centuries of history in one place!

Athletes run with the goal in mind. We live our lives with purpose, aiming to please God in everything we do.

Like a determined runner, we run our spiritual race with purpose and passion, aiming to win the ultimate prize - eternal life with Jesus.



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Caeleb Dressel

SPORTS: Swimming

Caeleb, an American swimmer, known for his strong Christian faith, which he says drives his athletic career. He has a tattoo of an eagle, inspired by Isaiah 40:31, and often speaks about how his faith gives him purpose and strength to compete.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Caeleb](#) | [Instagram](#)

Run in such a way as to get the prize.

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24

Justin's THOUGHT



Run the race of life with unwavering purpose and fiery passion, letting your every step echo with the desire to honor God. Just as athletes strive to the finish line, let your soul press on, fueled by the promise of eternal victory with Jesus.

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3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

Inspire Christian artists in France to create beautiful things that show Your love to everyone.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Help athletes from different nations to compete together in peace, respect, and understanding.

3

MY PRAYER

Help me, Jesus, to live each day with purpose, aiming to please You in all I do.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

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FRANCEBALLON

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Love France

Taste of France

Croissants

Golden and flaky, croissants are like buttery clouds that melt in your mouth. Start your day the French way with this delicious pastry!

Teammates cheer each other on during a race. We can encourage and support others in their faith journey.

Just as athletes encourage their teammates, we can build up our friends and family, helping them grow in their faith and love for Jesus.



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Brody Malone

SPORTS: Gymnastics

Gymnast Brody reflects on how his faith provided peace during challenging times, including injuries. He believes that God has a plan for him and uses his platform to give glory to God, even in the face of adversity.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Brody](#) | [Instagram](#)

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11

Justin's
THOUGHT



Every step you take in encouraging others is like a teammate's cheer, lifting spirits and fuelling the race of faith, helping them reach the finish line, strengthened by love and support.

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3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

Help [A Rocha France](#) protect Your creation, and may their message inspire people to care for nature.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Guide the coaches, medical staff, and counselors to support and care for the athletes well.

3

MY PRAYER

Show me how to encourage my friends today, just as Your Word teaches.

Action Point

Set a small teammate goal today that honors God, and pursue it with all your heart.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

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Love France

Taste of France

Mont Saint-Michel

Mont Saint-Michel rises like a fairytale castle from the sea. It's a magical island with history and breathtaking views.

The final sprint in a race requires all your strength. We rely on God's strength to finish strong in our faith journey.

In the race of life, we need God's strength to finish well. We trust in Him to give us the power to overcome challenges and stay faithful to the end.



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Matt Simpson

SPORTS: Goalball

Matt, a visually impaired Paralympian and recent Christian convert, credits his faith in Christ for guiding him through the challenges of his disability and athletic career, providing peace and purpose both on and off the court.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Matt](#) | [Instagram](#)

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

PHILIPPIANS 4:13

Justin's
THOUGHT



In the race of life, your strength alone may falter, but with God's power, every step towards the finish is sure. Trust in His might, and you will not just finish strong, but also overcome every challenge in your path.

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3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

May Christian media in France grow, reaching more people with Your message through radio and TV broadcasts.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Give strength and wisdom to the chaplains, helping them support athletes with encouragement and faith.

3

MY PRAYER

When I feel weak, remind me that I can do all things through Your strength.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

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FRANCEBALLON

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Love France

Taste of France

Crepes

Thin, sweet or savory pancakes, crepes are a French treat you can fill with anything — Nutella, fruit, or cheese. Bon appétit!

After a race, athletes celebrate their victory. We rejoice in the victory we have through Jesus, who has overcome the world.

Like a runner celebrating after a big win, we celebrate the victory we have in Christ. He has already won the greatest race for us—victory over sin and death.



INSPIRING ATHLETES

Jarryd Wallace

SPORTS: Track and Field

Jarryd, a world champion in disability athletics, sees his training as worship. He credits God with the strength to overcome challenges, using his career to glorify God rather than just focusing on winning.

[Watch Video](#) | [More info about Jarryd](#) | [Instagram](#)

3 Prayers for Today...

1

A PRAYER FOR FRANCE

May the evangelistic events during the Para-Games bear lasting fruit, leading many to encounter Jesus.

2

A PRAYER FOR THE GAMES

Fill the Paralympics with joy, making every moment happy and memorable for all athletes.

3

MY PRAYER

Thank You, Jesus, for the victory You've given me through Your love and sacrifice.

Ask God who or what He wants you to pray for today and pray as He leads you!

*But thanks be to God!
He gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus
Christ.*

1 CORINTHIANS 15:57

Justin's
THOUGHT



Every day, we run our race with the assurance that victory is already ours through Christ. Just as an athlete crosses the finish line with triumph, we rejoice in the victory that Jesus has secured over all things.

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Action Point

Thank God for something He has helped you accomplish this week, no matter how small.

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Our 2BC Vision for the Children



OUR PRAYER IS THAT THROUGH THIS GUIDE WE WILL SEE...

Children hearing the
voice of their Heavenly
Father

Children knowing their
identity in Christ

Children empowered by
God's Spirit to share His
love with others

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