



Creative Prayer Idea: Scavenger Hunt

This Prayer Scavenger Hunt activity is a chance to immerse yourself in your local neighbourhood. It's a chance to walk around your area with purpose and intention, to observe and pray for what God is doing, and how you and your church can be a part of it.

The prayer focus for this activity is your local community. While it can be completed as a standalone activity, it is best engaged with in conjunction with the Prayerful Clean Up activity, which focuses on prayer for the world and our intercultural teams.

Who is this for?

You can participate in this activity as an individual, group or whole congregation. It is perfect for youth and adults, but can be adapted for children too.

How to participate

Walk around your local neighbourhood and take in what you are seeing. Use the guide below to prompt prayer for your local community.

Ensure each person or group has a printed copy of this page. If you are a large group, split into groups of 4-6 people and assign different streets to each group.

Scavenger Hunt Guide

Stop or Give Way sign

Pray that followers of Jesus in your local area will stop and notice how the Holy Spirit is at work and moving.

Street sign

Pray that everyone on this street will understand that they are known and loved by the God of all creation.

Crack in pavement or pot hole

Pray for those experiencing pain and brokenness to experience God's comfort, presence and healing.

Person

Pray for the person as you feel prompted (once they have passed by).

Dog or cat

Give thanks for companionship. Pray for healthy, peaceful, loving and respectful relationships within your community.

Bird

Pray that like birds, followers of Jesus in your neighbourhood will demonstrate God's goodness, creativity and joy.

Verandah or decking

Pray for justice and dignity for those on the margins. Pray for local churches to share God's love through word and deed.

Flowers

Praise God for His beautiful creation. Pray for your community to work together in caring for creation.

Fruit

Pray for God to be producing fruit in the lives of followers of Jesus within your community. Pray for the ministry and outreach of local churches to be fruitful.



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