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## A PRAYER FOR NEW DRIVERS

The following is a prayer for use with youth receiving their driver's licenses. It is a part of a ritual for a congregational or youth worship experience available at [www.gbod.org/worship](http://www.gbod.org/worship).

*O God, yours is the beginning and the ending of our journey:*

*We thank you for these youth and all that has brought them to this moment.*

*We thank you for  
their keen sense of adventure,  
their confidence, and  
their willingness to take the risks that go with learning to be among us as adults.*

*We thank you for all that makes them and us ready for them to be drivers.*

*Be with them in all the times of their venturing into life;  
Always be alert in them to what lies ahead, behind, and beside;  
continually enjoying the ride and attentive to the destination;  
and bring them at last to everlasting life,  
through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

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# Prayers for Youth



"Surely goodness and mercy  
shall follow me..."

—Psalm 23:6

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 God, we ask for your blessings on the youth and young people in our churches, communities and around the world. Galatians 6:2	2 God, we pray for youth who are searching for your love. Help them find you. Matthew 7:8	3 God, may the summer break from school be a time of renewal for youth. Acts 13:52	4 God, open my eyes to opportunities to be a friend and supporter of the youth in my church and community. Romans 12:9
5 God, teach youth to engage in prayer, to bring to you their fears and concerns. Deuteronomy 4:7	6 God, guide the path of youth ministers so that they might be living examples of your grace. Psalm 119:105	7 God, may summer camp bring youth closer to one another and to you, the Creator of the natural world that surrounds them. Job 12:7	8 God, we pray that youth find our church a safe environment away from the distractions of everyday life. Philippians 3:13	9 God, we pray for the directors and staff of United Methodist summer camps. Genesis 12:2	10 God, be present on youth mission trips. May they be transformational to the participants and those they serve. John 1:16	11 God, we pray that through summer mission trips youth learn what it means to help others and to share one's faith. Isaiah 55:11
12 God, thank you for youth Sunday school teachers. May they grow spiritually as they give their time. Philippians 1:6	13 God, watch over youth who have summer jobs. May they learn new skills and gain independence. 1 Corinthians 7:7	14 God, grant wisdom to youth leaving for college this fall. Hebrews 13:7	15 God, we pray for youth making decisions about college and vocations. 1 Samuel 3:10	16 God, protect and watch over young drivers. Psalm 23:6	17 God, we pray for peace for youth who have difficult family situations. John 14:27	18 God, we pray for youth and young people who are homeless or live in poverty. Psalm 10:12
19 God, help youth find mentors and role models who will be a positive influence on their lives. John 13:34	20 God, enable churches that do not have an active youth program to find another means to reach out to young people. Colossians 3:23	21 God, be the source of grace, compassion and patience for the parents of teenagers. Matthew 11:28	22 God, help youth to hear your voice as they try to discern your call in their lives. Proverbs 3:5	23 God, send your Holy Spirit to youth feeling overwhelmed, unloved, underappreciated, or worthless. Matthew 6:8	24 God, show us ways to nurture youth who are trying to follow you in a world full of so many other options. 2 Corinthians 5:17	25 God, bring a sense of belonging to young people who are feeling lonely or left out. Psalm 25:16
26 God, we pray that every young person will have the opportunity to experience the greatness of your love. Psalm 1:3	27 God, teach us ways to remind our youth that no matter what their age they are each a valued child of God. Luke 12:24	28 God, enable youth (and adults) to discern their needs from their wants. 1 Timothy 4:7-8	29 God, give youth the ability to share their faith with friends and family who are unchurched. John 3:17	30 God, grant youth the ability to continue to listen to authority while also learning to trust their own voice. Hebrews 12:14	31 God, thank you for the opportunity to be an example to youth as they grow into faithful and responsible adults. Psalm 98:1	