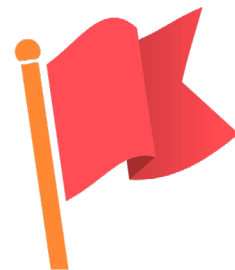


# Adoption Sunday 2019

**TAKE UP  
THE CAUSE**



## Creative prayer ideas

Use one or more of these options to enable your congregational to pray for vulnerable children and families in your community and throughout the UK.

### Megaphone/flag prayers

You will need: Pieces of paper and pencils/pens, given out to the congregation; tape or a stapler; lolly sticks or similar

Encourage people to write or draw prayers on their paper. This could be names of individuals or families that come to mind. Enable the congregation to roll up their prayers and tape/staple them into cone-shapes to make megaphones.

**OR**

Give out smaller pieces of paper and again, give time for writing or drawing prayers. Then tape a lolly stick onto the paper to make flags.

You could have a time of open or congregational prayer, using the 'megaphones' or waving the 'flags'.

### Newspaper prayers

You will need: A large selection of newspapers; scissors; glue or blu tac; a cross, either drawn out on large paper or another available to you

Make available a selection of recent newspapers. Invite the congregation to cut out headlines from the newspaper. Give time for them to pray in families, groups or individually for that story. When they have prayed they can stick it on or place it before the cross, offering it up to God.

### Paper people chain prayers

You will need: paper, cut in half lengthways so you have a long strip; pencils; scissors

Concertina fold the paper into four segments. Give people time to draw a person on the top fold, making sure the arms reach to each edge of the paper. Allow time to cut them out. As they are doing so encourage them to think about the family and community around them, thanking God for them and lifting up their needs. Cut out and fold out the people chain. Take time to pick four people or people groups to pray for. They can take their prayer chains home and continue to pray for them.





