

HOME FOR GOOD CAMPAIGN

# who cares?

**We, the Church CARE that 38,000 children and young people will enter the care system these next 12 months, with 100,000 being cared for already away from their birth families.**

I/We (write your name/or your church)

pledge to pray and intercede for every one of these children and young people.

Each of them need nurturing, safe and stable homes through fostering, adoption or supported lodgings (a provision for 16+ year old teenagers).

Each of them are image bearers of Christ, carrying unique and distinct potential and gifting: we CARE that they thrive not just survive.

Praying is a remarkable act of CARE, thank you.

## An everyday practice of prayer:

We'd like to invite you to a practice of prayer as you open your front door. As you get out your keys with your keyring on, open your front door, and enter your home, give thanks for this place of belonging God has provided for you. Bring to God in prayer those children and young people for whom 'home' is a place of difficulty and even trauma. Pray for peace for those feeling unsettled and displaced.

## Prayer requests for April 2024

Please join us in prayer:

### Praying for 1 of the 38,000, hold them in your mind:

- Pray that they would know the presence and peace of God, even if they don't know Him personally and God would bring 'people of peace' into their lives to show them love and acceptance, be that social workers, foster carers, adopters, supported lodgings hosts, teachers or volunteers
- Pray that God would protect them from harm, physically, emotionally and spiritually
- Pray that a home with an understanding and loving individual, couple or family be found for them that meets their needs for however long is it required.

### Praying for the Care System

- Pray that God will sustain all who work within it: Social Workers are stretched beyond measure with huge caseloads.

- Pray that those in power will prioritise the money and resources so that the system can be fit for purpose.

### Praying for Carers

- Pray for the thousands of foster carers, adoptive parents and supported lodgings hosts who are already caring for the 100,000 children and young people in care.
- Pray for God to speak to the hearts of His people so they consider whether they too could be a foster carer, adoptive parent or supported lodgings host. Thousands upon thousands more individuals, couples and families are needed who have room in their hearts and homes to care for a child or young person.

Thank you again for being part of this movement of prayer.

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