

Prayers for Strong Relationships & Community

God, please surround _____ with great friends throughout (his/her) life. Bring friends who love You and love (him/her). Surround (him/her) with friendships where they encourage one another, support one another, lift one another up, hold one another accountable, and keep one another on Your path that leads to life.

Bring deep, close friendships that share interests and passions, laughter and tears. Friendships that root one another on and help one another achieve their dreams, always giving glory to You. Friends who will be safe and healthy places to hash out life.

Please let _____ be a friend who loves others well. Help (him/her) to be a positive influence on (his/her) friends. Help _____ to value strong and healthy friendships.

Help _____ foster relationships that bring out the best in each other and sharpen edges when they need it.

A hard truth in all life stages is that friends will sometimes disappoint. God, when envy, fear, selfishness, or pride get in the way and begin to splinter or even destroy friendships, please help _____ quickly see it for what it is and turn back to your design for friendship.

Help _____ remember that You are faithful even when friends are not. Help (him/her) to be quick to not make assumptions, to give the benefit of the doubt, to show grace, and forgive easily...but also to have discernment to know when to walk away from a toxic relationship with love and grace.

God, with the prevalence of technology and social media platforms, I pray that _____ always values in-person relationships and community over virtual "relationships."

God, I pray for strong mentors to pour into _____'s life at different stages of (his/her) life. I pray for _____ to be a mentor to those coming behind (him/her).

When it comes to dating and relationships with the opposite sex, help _____ to choose wisely. Help (him/her) to never sacrifice (his/her) values to cling to an unhealthy relationship. Give (him/her) discernment about who (he/she) decides to date and marry. I pray in advance for the person that _____ will marry. I pray they love You and love _____. I pray it is a relationship of mutual friendship, love, grace, respect, encouragement, forgiveness, and support. I pray it is a relationship anchored in You.

God, please bring strong Christian communities around _____ throughout (his/her) life. Help (him/her) find a God-honoring, Truth-teaching, and supportive church home through all (his/her) life stages. I pray _____ values being a part of Christian community and seeks it out, even when it is hard and countercultural.

God, I pray for our family. Please help our family bond and relationships always be strong through life stages, hormones, and changes. Help us to love, encourage, communicate, and enjoy each other. Through life's ups and downs and ever-present transitions, help our family be a steady source of love and support for one another.