

Prayer book to getting through foster care as a Christian Warrior

A Christian Warrior's Path

Oh Lord, hear my prayer, as I embark on this path,
A Christian warrior's journey, in foster care to cast.
With conviction and purpose, I answer Your call,
To be a beacon of hope, in the lives of the small.

In Jeremiah 29:11, You speak of Your plan,
For the children in need, placed in others' hands.
I trust in Your promise, that You have a good design,
To bring us restoration, as Your light will shine.

As I walk through the valleys, and face the unknown,
I find strength in Your Word, where my faith is sown.
In Isaiah 41:10, You assure me, "Do not fear,
For I am with you always, to hold you dear."

Guide me, dear Father, in the complexities I face,
Grant me wisdom and discernment, by Your grace.
In Proverbs 3:5-6, I find solace and peace,
To lean not on my own understanding, but to trust and release.

As a Christian warrior, I know the battle is real,
But in Ephesians 6:10, I find the armor to wield.
With the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness,
Feet fitted with readiness, to bring Your goodness.

Shield me, Lord, with faith, protecting from the enemy's schemes,
And with the helmet of salvation, guard my mind.
In the sword of the Spirit, Your Word is my guide,
Empower me, dear Lord, as I stand by their side.

Fill me with compassion, let love be my guide,
In 1 Corinthians 16:14, Your command does reside.
To do everything in love, with kindness and grace,
In the lives of us children, Your mercy we embrace.

Though the road may be long, and challenges may abound,
In Philippians 4:13, I find strength to astound.
For I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me,
As a Christian warrior, I trust in Your decree.

So, Lord, I surrender, my life in Your hands,
As I navigate this journey, according to Your plans.
Guide me, protect me, as I pour out Your love,
In the lives of those I encounter on this foster care journey, as You reign above.

In Jesus' name, I pray, with a humble heart,
That through me, they may find, a fresh, brand-new start.
May Your light shine brightly, in this foster care endeavor,
As a Christian warrior, I will serve foster youth forever. Amen.

Unexpected Blessings

Oh Lord, how marvelous are Your ways,
In the face of adversity, Your blessings did blaze.
Through the journey of foster care, I found,
Unexpected blessings, in each turn, abound.

In Matthew 6:26, You remind me, dear Lord,
That the birds of the air, by You are adored.
If You care for them, with a love so grand,
Surely, You'll provide, for me and these children in hand.

Though I do not currently know how to make riches and gold,
In Philippians 4:19, Your promise I hold.
You shall supply all my needs, according to Your riches,
In You, I find provision, as my faith enriches.

Miraculously, doors opened wide,
Opportunities presented, like a gentle tide.
In Isaiah 43:19, You declare, "Behold, I do a new thing",
And in my foster care journey, Your blessings did spring.

Through unconventional means, resources did flow,
Revealing Your provision, that I've come to know.
For Your ways are higher, beyond human understanding,
In You, I find guidance, from every person who is demanding.

I trust in Your timing, I trust in Your plan,
For You hold the world, in the palm of Your hand.
In Jeremiah 17:7-8, I find solace and peace,
Blessed is the one who trusts in You, their worries cease.

So, I surrender my worries, my fears, and my doubts,
For in You, dear Lord, my faith sprouts.

In the face of adversity, I find unexpected grace,
As I rely on You daily, in this foster care embrace.

Thank You, dear Father, for Your love so divine,
For the blessings You bestow, in this journey of mine.
May I continue to trust You, as I walk day by day,
In Your provision and guidance, I'll always stay.

With gratitude in my heart, I lift this prayer to You,
Knowing that Your faithfulness will always shine through.
In the name of Jesus, I pray and believe,
That in my foster care journey, Your blessings I receive. Amen.

The Power of Forgiveness

Oh Lord, in foster care's embrace,
Emotions run deep, pain we must face.
But in Your Word, I find the key,
To unlock the power of forgiveness, set us free.

In Ephesians 4:31-32, You command,
To let go of bitterness, anger disband.
Instead, be kind, compassionate in heart,
Forgiving others, as You did from the start.

I've tasted the bitterness, the weight of hurt,
But through Your grace, forgiveness did assert.
In Matthew 6:14-15, Your truth does unfold,
If we forgive others, Your forgiveness takes hold.

With a heart filled with love, I choose to forgive,
For in unforgiveness, no one can truly live.
I release the resentment, the pain of the past,
Fostering an environment where healing is amassed.

Through the power of forgiveness, I find release,
And in that freedom, Your love does increase.
In Colossians 3:13, I find strength anew,
Bearing with one another, forgiving as You do.

For the children in care with me, I extend grace,
Jesus, a beacon of hope in their broken place.
May they witness the transformative power,
As forgiveness restores, like a healing shower.

In Isaiah 61:3, You promise to bestow,
Beauty for ashes, where brokenness does flow.
May my story illuminate this truth so profound,
That forgiveness brings freedom, healing to be found.

So, Lord, I surrender my pain and strife,
In Your love and forgiveness, I find new life.
Guide me, dear Father, in this new foster care role,
To extend Your forgiveness, making broken hearts whole.

In the name of Jesus, I lift up this prayer,
That forgiveness may abound, everywhere.
May Your love and grace reign supreme,
In foster care, a testament to the freedom we deem.

Thank You, dear Lord, for Your love untold,
For the power of forgiveness that never grows old.
In Your hands, I place my journey ahead,
Trusting in Your guidance, where love is spread. Amen.

Kindness and Thankfulness

In my journey through foster care's embrace,
Kindness and compassion adorned every place.
From social workers, hardworking and hearts that are true,
To foster parents, who told me I didn't deserve abuse, and I saw love shining through.

In countless encounters, I witnessed His grace,
God's goodness and faithfulness, lighting my pace.
Each act of kindness, a beacon so bright,
Reminding me of His love, day and night.

For in the Bible, His words gently speak,
Promises of hope, even when we're weak.
So let us pray, with grateful hearts we come,
Thanking God for His love, the source of our sum.

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted and forgiving,
Just as God in Christ forgave, in love He's living." (Ephesians 4:32)

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love,
He is good to all; His mercy shines from above." (Psalm 145:8-9)

"Love one another deeply, from the heart sincere,
In kindness and compassion, God's love revealed clear." (1 Peter 1:22)

"Whoever is kind to the needy, honors God's name,
For in their act of love, His light they proclaim." (Proverbs 14:31)

So, Heavenly Father, we bow before Your throne,
With gratitude and praise, our hearts You've known.
Thank You for the kindness that surrounds our way,
Help us share Your love, in every word we say.

Grant us compassion, to uplift and to bless,
To be a beacon of hope to others in their time of distress.
May our lives reflect Your goodness and care,
As we follow Your example, spreading love everywhere.

In this journey of foster care, may we shine,
Bringing comfort and joy, like a heavenly sign.
Guide us, dear Lord, in all that we do,
And may Your love and kindness shine through.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

James 1:2, "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds."

In the ups and downs of my foster care voyage,
I find hope and assurance, a truth to encourage.
For "Because He Lives," I can face each tomorrow,
In the resurrection power, I'll find strength to borrow.

Through moments of doubt and deep despair,
I cling to the promise that Jesus is there.
His resurrection power, a beacon so bright,
Guiding me through the darkness, with heavenly light.

For in the Bible, His words gently speak,
Revealing His plan, strong and unique.
A purpose for my life, in foster care's embrace,
A part of His narrative, woven with grace.

So let us pray, with hearts open wide,
Grateful for His presence, forever by our side.
Dear Heavenly Father, in Your mighty name,

We seek Your guidance, knowing Your love will never change.

Thank You for the resurrection power of Your Son,
For in Him, our battles are fought and won.
As we navigate the foster care journey, we pray,
Give us strength, wisdom, and love each day.

May Your purpose and plan be our guiding light,
As we trust in You, walking by faith, not by sight.
In moments of doubt, remind us once more,
That "Because He Lives," hope will restore.

In Jesus' precious name, we humbly pray,
Grateful for Your presence, with us every day. Amen.

In the story of Joseph, a tale so profound,
He was sold into slavery, by his family bound.
Yet, amidst the trials, God's love remained,
And Joseph, in His eyes, was holy ordained.

Though betrayed by his brothers, in a pit he was thrown,
God's hand was upon him, a truth clearly shown.
For even in slavery, Joseph's spirit did rise,
His faith unwavering, fixed on the skies.

In Potiphar's house, he served with great grace,
And God blessed him there, in that foreign place.
Though tempted and tested, he stood firm and true,
For he knew God's favor, would carry him through.

But adversity struck, as he was unjustly accused,
And imprisoned he was, feeling broken and bruised.
Yet even in the darkness, Joseph did not wane,
For God's presence with him, brought comfort and gain.

Interpreting dreams, a gift from above,
Joseph's wisdom and insight, inspired by love.
He rose to prominence, second to Pharaoh's reign,
A position of honor, where God's purpose would remain.

In the midst of abundance, famine struck the land,
And Joseph's family sought aid, a helping hand.
He revealed himself to them, with forgiveness so rare,
For in his heart, God's love he did share.

Joseph's journey reminds us, in times of despair,
That God's love and favor, are always there.
No matter the trials, no matter the strife,
His love remains constant, throughout our life.

So let us remember, like Joseph of old,
That even in darkness, God's love will unfold.
In times of betrayal, and when we feel low,
His holiness surrounds us, His grace will bestow.

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You today,
For the story of Joseph, guiding us on our way.
May we trust in Your love, in all that we do,
And embrace the holiness, that comes from You.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

God's Redemption Story

In moments of discouragement and despair,
I faced challenges, burdened with heavy care.
Obtaining my license, a dream seemed far away,
But God had a redemption story, ready to display.

For four long years, I struggled and longed,
But through unwavering faith, my spirit strong.
Doors began to open, obstacles were surpassed,
God's promises fulfilled, in His timing steadfast.

In the midst of impossibility, He showed His might,
Turning my situation, from darkness to light.
My journey, a testament to His faithfulness true,
A reminder that with God, all things we can do.

"For nothing will be impossible with God," it's said, (Luke 1:37)
In Him, our hope remains, our fears are shed.
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart," He declares, (Proverbs 3:5)
In His supernatural intervention, victory prepares.

Through perseverance and trust, I pressed on,
Believing in miracles, until the battle was won.
My long-awaited license, a symbol of triumph,
A testament to faith, over adversity's grip.

"Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will succeed," (Proverbs 16:3)

In His guidance and grace, I find all that I need.

"Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart," (Psalm 37:4)

In His perfect timing, blessings will impart.

So let us pray, with hearts full of gratitude,
For God's faithfulness and His mercies renewed.
Heavenly Father, thank You for Your guiding hand,
For turning my impossibilities into victories grand.

Thank You for the strength to persevere,
For the triumph of faith, banishing doubt and fear.
Continue to lead me, in Your perfect way,
As I seek to honor You, day after day.

In moments of challenge, help me to trust,
That You are with me, faithful and just.
May my life be a testament, shining bright,
Of Your miraculous power, in heavenly light.

In Jesus' precious name, I humbly pray,
Grateful for Your presence, with me each day.

In the midst of trials, when hope seems dim,
When the weight of the world makes your spirit grim,
Turn to the words that bring solace and light,
The verses of the Bible, shining so bright.

Though the path may be lonely, and others advance,
Take courage, dear soul, for you have a chance,
For God's love knows no bounds, it's steadfast and sure,
In His presence, find hope, find healing, find cure.

When others mocked and said your life was cursed,
That God's love for you was somehow reversed,
Remember, dear one, God's love is unending,
In His arms, find refuge, find love, find mending.

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34:18)

When doubts assail, and darkness surrounds,
When questions arise, and no answers are found,

Seek wisdom in the Scriptures, for there you will see,
The promise of God's presence, His love, His decree.

"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.
Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." (Deuteronomy 31:8)

Though the world may cause deep wounds and despair,
Know that God's love and grace are always there,
He weeps with His children, He heals every pain,
In His arms, find comfort, find peace, and regain.

"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

So, let us pray, dear Father above,
Fill our hearts with hope, with faith, with love,
Guide us through trials, make our paths straight,
Renew our strength, Lord, and never be late.

Grant us wisdom, as we pursue our dreams,
As we strive for success, though the journey may seem
Daunting and difficult, with obstacles in sight,
May Your Word be our guide, our source of light.

In the name of Jesus, we humbly pray,
Amen.

Wisdom, Revelation, and Supernatural Peace

In the realm of foster care, I sought God's embrace,
His wisdom, His guidance, His unending grace,
For decisions profound, and challenges untold,
In His presence, I found solace, my heart consoled.

With each child entrusted, their hearts in God's care,
I sought His direction, His love beyond compare,
Through prayer and seeking, His voice I would hear,
In His arms, find peace, banishing every fear.

"The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
he refreshes my soul." (Psalm 23:1-3)

In uncertainty's grip, when the path seemed unclear,

I leaned on His wisdom, His voice I would revere,
For He promised to guide, to light up my way,
To grant me His clarity, day after day.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight." (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Though storms may arise, and trials may persist,
In His presence, I found peace, a divine twist,
For His peace surpasses all earthly desire,
In His arms, find refuge, His love will inspire.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.
I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled
and do not be afraid." (John 14:27)

Through the journey of foster care, I discovered the truth,
That God's providence abounds, in every pursuit,
His love never wavers, His faithfulness true,
In His care, find strength, find hope that renews.

"The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made." (Psalm 145:9)

And so, I pray, dear Father above,
In foster care's challenges, fill us with love,
Grant us wisdom, discernment, and grace,
To be vessels of Your love, in every embrace.

May Your presence surround us, each step of the way,
As we work hard humbly, as we love and convey,
The goodness of Your heart, Your unending care,
In Your hands, dear Lord, we surrender, we share.

In Jesus' name, we humbly pray,
Amen.

Walking in Obedience and Uncommon Favor

In obedience I walked, to God's calling I clung,
For each step taken in faith, my purpose was sung,

Aligned with His will, my actions found grace,
Fulfilling my calling, in foster care's embrace.

"For the Lord gives wisdom;
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding." (Proverbs 2:6)

In obedience's path, uncommon favor I found,
Over lives, mine and others, blessings did abound,
Doors swung open wide, provisions poured like rain,
Opportunities multiplied, impact was not in vain.

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,
according to his power that is at work within us." (Ephesians 3:20)

God's love, a beacon, shining brighter than the sun,
Greater than drugs, sex, or alcohol, it outshines every one,
In His love, find healing, find hope, find delight,
His love, an eternal flame, burning day and night.

"For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations." (Psalm 100:5)

Work hard, dear soul, with diligence and might,
But in moments of rest, find solace in His sight,
In prayer and in reading, the Psalms will inspire,
Drawing closer to God, igniting heavenly fire.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." (Romans 12:12)

And now, I pray, with a humble heart,
That God's guidance and love may never depart,
Grant me strength to work, to labor each day,
And in moments of rest, let me not go astray.

May the Psalms bring comfort, bring peace to my soul,
As I seek Your presence, as I make You my goal,
In obedience, Lord, help me to walk,
To fulfill my purpose, to make an impact that talks.

In the realm of caring hearts,
Where purpose finds its gentle start,
I am called to serve, to tend and sow,
To guide the young, to help them grow.

With special needs, they find their place,
In tender arms, they find embrace.
A shepherd's care, a guiding light,
To lead them through both day and night.

And to the teens, I seek to show,
That dreams are real, and they can glow.
They rock, they shine, in every way,
Their potential, like the break of day.

In new terrain, where nerves may rise,
And wisdom seems to hide its guise,
I'll walk with faith, undeterred, unbowed,
For the Lord's pure heart will be my shroud.

Like barefoot steps on sacred ground,
With Bible held, my truth profound,
I'll persevere, I'll overcome,
A miracle to all, by His grace, be done.

So, I pray to you, O Lord divine,
Grant me strength, and make me Thine,
Guide my steps, with wisdom true,
As I serve and love, in all I do.

May Your light shine through my soul,
As I fulfill my purpose, my eternal goal.
And in this journey, let Your love unfurl,
As I care for the young, and inspire the world.

In Jesus' name, I pray, Amen.

Conclusion: A Testimony of God's Love

In the realm of foster care's embrace,
A life transformed by heavenly grace,
Love, mercy, and kindness intertwined,
Healing broken souls, a mission defined.

With every step, the protagonist sees,
The power of faith, bringing hearts to ease,
Forgiveness revealed, a balm so sweet,
Restoration's touch, where brokenness meets.

Through trials and tests, they endure the storm,
With God's presence close, their hearts are warm,
An inspiring testimony they bear,
Of His goodness, unwavering and rare.

For in this story, a tapestry weaved,
Of lives touched by love, eternally cleaved,
The broken made whole, the lost are found,
In God's arms of grace, forever bound.

So, let us pray, with hearts held high,
In awe of the love that reaches the sky,
May we be vessels of mercy and light,
Bringing hope to the broken, shining so bright.

Lord, guide our steps on this foster care road,
May Your love in us forever be showed,
Grant us strength, courage, and endless compassion,
To bring healing and love in times of ration.

May Your presence be felt in every embrace,
As we walk with the broken, their pain we erase,
Let faith, forgiveness, and kindness abound,
In this journey, Lord, may Your glory resound.

We thank You, Father, for Your steadfast love,
That transforms lives, like wings of a dove,
In the story of foster care, we find,
Your grace, mercy, and goodness entwined.

Amen.

Biography

Cheryl Elizabeth Williams is a devoted Christian who has experienced God's leading and blessings in her journey of foster care. She has dedicated herself to be a warrior for Christ, advocating for vulnerable children and providing a nurturing environment rooted in love and faith. With a deep understanding of God's redemption, forgiveness, and unexpected blessings, she continues to impact the lives of those around her, often with a crown on her head knowing her true Abba is her Heavenly Father.

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