



moms in touch
INTERNATIONAL
Praying for Children & Schools

Four Steps of Prayer

Start and end on time

Materials needed: Bible, *Moms In Touch International Booklet*, *Leader's Guide* (optional), pen, *Prayer Sheets* (found in the *Leader's Guide* and on our website www.MomsInTouch.org)

Praise (estimate 8-10 minutes)

Instruction

Leader: Select an attribute, name or character of God as a topic of focus for your prayer hour. Use definitions. Give Scripture(s) which will further describe and define. The leader may assign moms different verses to read.

Prayer

Focus on the one attribute chosen by praying in one accord. For example, "Dear Heavenly Father, we praise You for being _____." Remember, this is not Thanksgiving, stay focused on the character of God—**who He is**.

Silent confession (estimate 2-3 minutes)

Transition prayer

Leader: "Father, in Your word You tell us that You know everything and that nothing is hidden from You. You tell us if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before You; and whatever we ask we receive from You (I John 3:21b-22 NASB). Therefore, Father, search our hearts and tell us if there is anything that is displeasing to You."

Thanksgiving (estimate 5-8 minutes)

Transition prayer

Leader: "Father, we thank You for the forgiveness of our sins, and now we want to thank You for how You have answered our prayers." Include the answers to previous prayer requests as others join in one accord. Thanksgiving **only**, **no** requests!

Intercession (estimate 30-40 minutes)

Instruction (estimate 3 minutes)

Leader: Give one Scripture to pray for the children. Each mom uses the same Scripture and each mom prays for one of her children. Also, give the Scripture and/or topic to pray for the teachers, the school concerns and the MITI concerns, which are available online under Leaders Corner. Form groups of two or as comfortable.

Intercession for our own children (estimate 10-15 minutes)

Pray scripturally—Pray for one child at a time, placing the child's name in Scripture. Pray back and forth until the Holy Spirit leads you to pray for the other child using the same Scripture.

Pray a specific request—Pray for one child at a time.

Intercession for teachers (estimate 5 minutes)

Urgent prayer requests for specific teachers should be given to the leader, preferably before the MITI meeting, or introduce them in prayer, i.e. teacher in hospital.

Pray scripturally and/or topically—Each pair of moms may pray for her child's teacher and/or one teacher from the faculty list. Pray also for the urgent prayer requests.

Intercession for school concerns (estimate 10 minutes)

Give topics or concerns. Group members should share school concerns with the leader, preferably before the MITI meeting, or introduce them in prayer.

See the *Praying for Children and Schools* section of this *Leader's Guide* for prayer suggestions.

Intercession for MITI (estimate 5 minutes)

Give topics or concerns. Here are some suggestions:

- Pray for the group's integrity, confidentiality and unity.
- Pray for your Area Coordinator and/or State Coordinator.
- Pray for MITI Headquarters.
- Pray for more volunteer help for the MITI ministry—locally, nationally and internationally.
- Pray for the financial needs of the ministry.
- Pray for protection and wisdom for the MITI Country Coordinators.

Specific MITI prayer requests are available online under Leaders Corner.