

# #SayDoPray

Last year many young people joined us and prayed for their school. We are encouraging everyone to use the hashtag #SayDoPray and pray for their local schools.

This year our theme is Having COURAGE and being FEARLESS

Someone once counted how many times the Bible tells us not be afraid and it came to 366 - one for every day of the year, even when it's a Leap Year!

Jesus helps us when we ask, so remembering those 366 reassurances we can do what Philippians 4 says:

'Shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down.' (Message)

When Moses died, God told Joshua to take the army into the 'Promised Land' and take possession of it. It must have been a terrifying prospect, but he listened to God's promise,

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1)

and Joshua went ahead and did it!









People fear many different things – here are some of them

### The UNKNOWN – what might happen in the future

BUT Jesus knows what lies ahead and His love can protect, provide and guide.

### **FAILURE** – letting ourselves and others down

BUT Jesus died to rescue us, forgives us and shows us the way forward.

### F.O.M.O – fear of missing out, and social media can make that worse!

BUT when we follow God's plan, it might mean saying 'no' to some things, but what He offers is better than anything we can imagine.

### REJECTION – by our peers, family, society, and even God

BUT Jesus is our saviour, friend and brother and loves us unconditionally

Life still isn't easy and there will be times of feeling fearful. But knowing Jesus walks beside us helps us to be **strong and courageous** and to shine for Him.

See the Shine in Schools 2019 website and watch their Fearless videos

https://www.shineinschools.com/videos/





## #SayDoPray

We hope that Christians will join us during the week of 18th to 22nd November and take part in #SayDoPray

Do get involved and pray for your school:

- By telling young people about our campaign
- By using Social media to promote #SayDoPray
- Just praying on your own,
- Running a prayer meeting or a Prayer Marathon in your school for pupils and/or staff,
- Organising a prayer evening for everyone from your church,
- Setting up a stall in or outside a school and offering to pray for pupils and staff,
- Leading a school assembly about what prayer means to Christians,
- Teaching an RE lesson on how and why Christians pray.
- Prayer Walking around your local school and area see our video
- Giving a gift of a plant or a cake to the teachers in your school



Say something encouraging;

Do something kind;

Pray for a friend.

















# #SayDoPray

Join thousands of Christians all over Europe!

'Thank you!' to teachers and others in your school Invite others to join you on Pray Day

#Do Gather your friends for a prayer event Organize a prayer walk around your school

With thanksgiving and praise for God's Kingdom to come in your school

Find out more at prayforschools.org and on Facebook or Twitter



