

# **Prayer Guide**

For Lonely, Vulnerable Families facing crisis without a caring, compassionate community. Lord, surround them with Your people and Safe Families volunteers.

**For Host Families** who open their home and lives to children. Lord, enable them to minister love to the children and their families. Grow their faith and provide needed support through Your church, Safe Families, and their family and friends.

**For Family Friends** supporting Host Families and befriending parents in crisis. Lord, make them a deep source of encouragement and hope to those who serve and those needing support.

**For Family Coaches** as they coordinate and oversee hostings. Lord, guide them be an effective resource for host families and parents in need.

**For EFCC and the Ministry Lead Team** at Safe Families for Children. Lord, guide and bless their efforts to support volunteers, recruit new volunteers, and mobilize people to provide tangible resources.

For the Safe Families Staff please give them wisdom to lead with vision, effectively engage the community, reach out and support churches, care for volunteers, and spread Your message of love for all Your children.

For our Community Organizations and Agencies that help and assist the hurting, sick, homeless, abused, and destitute. Lord, sustain, encourage and work through them. Protect their families' emotional health. Grant Safe Families favor as they serve and connect with them.

For the Workers and Leadership at our state child welfare agencies dealing with tragic situations every day. Lord, enable Safe Families to be a great partner and light of the Gospel to them.





# An Emmanuel Faith Community Church hospitality ministry to families in crisis

Some Families have no safety net of relatives or friends when in crisis through unemployment, homelessness, illness, incarceration, family violence, or parental drug/alcohol abuse. In 2019, San Diego state agencies provided service to only 1,741 of 5,028 substantiated calls for help.

### **Our Distinctives**

Parents voluntarily request help and retain full legal custody. Supplementary vs. substitute care. Motivated by care and concern, with no financial reimbursement. Any child, any reason.

## **Our Objectives**

Early intervention, child abuse prevention, family support, stabilization, reunification, empowering churches.

# How can I participate?



**Pray** for the children's safety, parental healing and crisis resolution. Pray for more host families to model Christ's love for all His children, including those in crisis.

Consider being a host family.

**Provide** as a resource partner an occasional meal, non-overnight child care, diapers/formula/wipes; new or gently-worn clothing; or a small gift card to be combined with others to provide for larger items.

#### **Contact Us**

www.efcc.org/safe-families

