

# KIDS PRAY

## A Community Prayer Guide for Kids

### PRAYER FOCUS: WORLD TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS



WORLD ATHLETICS  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
OREGON 22

The **World Athletics Championships** are being held here in **Eugene this July 15-24**. This is the first time it has been hosted in the United States. Athletes from **206 nations** will be in our community to compete at the highest levels of track and field.

**This month**, we want to focus on praying for the thousands of people from all over the world who will be visiting our community this summer. We can do that by **praying in 3 ways**:

- 1. Businesses:** Pray for local businesses to be able to have the workers and supplies they need to serve all the people coming in for this event.
- 2. First Responders:** Pray for God to provide plans and lots of people for Community Safety for the World Championships.
- 3. Sports:** Pray for God's peace, protection, and blessing to be on the competitions; Pray for all the athletes to be drawn by God's Spirit to follow Jesus; and Pray for our faith community to do a good job of helping and encouraging.

#### God is bringing the nations to our community!

You can help reach them with the light and love of Jesus by lifting up prayers to the Maker of them all!

### JAM

Singing songs of worship to Jesus is another great way to begin a time or prayer!

#### Try one of these songs:

**PRESS ON**  
(Philippians 3:13-14)  
*Seeds Family Worship*

**KINGDOM**  
*Summit Kids*

You can find these songs and more by searching YouTube or heading to our website, [onehopenetwork.org/kids-pray](http://onehopenetwork.org/kids-pray)

### READ

#### Hebrews 12:1-2

*"And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith."*

We must remember to **run the race of faith and pray, walk, and live like Jesus.**

### END

Close your time with God by saying this prayer...

**Thank you Jesus for hearing my prayers.** Help me see how you will answer them.

Fill me with your love.

**In Jesus name,**  
Amen!

### DEAR GOD

*As we think about the people from many nations that are visiting our community, try praying this...*

#### Dear God,

I know that You are the God of all the nations, and I praise Your name.

Please help those in our community to show and share the love of Jesus with people from every nation.

Give peace and safety to all involved, and help things to run smoothly.

I praise you. You are amazing God!

***In Jesus name, Amen!***

To learn more about the World Athletics Championships here in Eugene, go to their website by scanning the QR code.



# KIDS IN ACTION



On June 8th the **Chess team at First Baptist** ran laps to welcome the countries of **Angola and The Republic of Congo** for the World Track Championships happening here in July.

It was fun to be a part of the World Wide Welcome Youth Relay that's being put on by the World Athletics Championships for Track and Field. Groups all around Eugene have all been assigned different countries to welcome.

As the world comes to Eugene in July, we pray they experience hospitality and kindness everywhere they are. **We are praying that all nations will know that Jesus loves them** and has come to this world so that all people may know and worship Him.



## ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

*Nicola McDermott*  
AUSTRALIAN HIGH JUMPER

“When I was 8 years old, I had a dream to one day be an international High Jumper consistently jumping over 2 meters. I did not know the journey I would take to get there, but unknowingly I would one day be positioned to have everything I needed to reach that level. At 24 years old, the dream is now a working reality.”

- Nicola McDermott



Nicola is jumping in the World Athletics Championships in Eugene this **July 15-24**. Find out more about Nicola at [nicolamcdermott.com](http://nicolamcdermott.com)

“In the pursuit of sporting success, there was a large turning point in my career when I realized that no gold medal could bring lasting satisfaction to my heart. I discovered satisfaction was not found in a performance but found in a person.

**Everything changed when I was introduced to Jesus.** It was not the religious kind of meeting that presents itself once a week, but it was an intimate encounter, which has impacted every single day of my life since I made a decision to follow Him. This decision has overflowed a love in my heart to see His will done and gospel known in every nation, stadium, school, church and community I travel to.”

To see more of Nicola's story, **CLICK HERE** or scan the QR code

Hey Friends!

I have a summer challenge for you. See how many points you can earn by completing the tasks below. Then write to us or send us a picture to let us know what your score or your favorite challenge was. Point values are in the 's.

- 5 Read a book
- 10 Help a neighbor
- 5 Go swimming
- 10 Invite a friend to church or VBS
- 5 Make cookies
- 5 Camp out in your backyard
- 20 Pray each day July 15-24

Make sure to tell us how it went. Just scan the QR CODE below and submit your story! (or you can **CLICK HERE**)



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Local Kids Pastor

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