

Father's Day Prayers



A Special Prayer for Fathers

*God, bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them
to be good role models and loving to all their children.*

Help them to be a father like You are.

*Give them grace and patience to handle
situations in a loving way.*

Amen.

Father's Day Prayer of Remembering

*"Fathers young, fathers old
Remembering good times are our gold.*

*Value earned through guidance given
Helping us go forth in livin'.*

*Each father adding to our trove
A treasure chest of love untold.*

*Remembering fathers in our lives
Taking time to realize.*

*Fatherly love brings wealth to living
Remembering this, we go forth in giving.*

*Fathers young, fathers old
We remember you all
As life unfolds."*



President Bush's Father's Day Proclamation

"Fathers play a unique and important role in the lives of their children.

As mentor, protector, and provider, a father fundamentally influences the shape and direction of his child's character by giving love, care, discipline, and guidance.

As we observe Father's Day, our nation honors fatherhood and urges fathers to commit themselves selflessly to the success and wellbeing of their children. And we reaffirm the importance of fathers in the lives of their children. Raising a child requires significant time, effort, and sacrifice; and it is one of the most hopeful and fulfilling experiences a man can ever know. A father can derive great joy from seeing his child grow from infancy to adulthood. As a child matures into independence and self reliance, the value of a parent's hard work, love and commitment comes to fruition.

Responsible fatherhood is important to a healthy and civil society. Numerous studies confirm that children whose fathers are present and involved in their lives are more likely to develop into prosperous and healthy adults. Children learn by example; and they need their father's presence as examples of virtue in their daily lives. A child's sense of security can be greatly enhanced by seeing his parents in a loving and faithful marriage."

George W. Bush

Former President, USA



A Father's Day Prayer

Let us praise those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. Let us praise those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a good father.

Let us praise those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. Let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by the neglect and hostility of their children.

Let us praise those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their step children's love and respect. Let us praise those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart.

Let us praise those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own.

Let us praise those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides.

Let us praise those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children.

And let us praise those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

Amen.