

Father, let our children not just know with their heads but believe in their hearts your love for them. "So we have come to know and believe the love that God has for us. God is love and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in Him" (1 John 4:16).

Let them learn to abide in your love and may it define them. Let them live free from the entanglement of shame. Let them flourish in their forgiven state. May the trickle-down effect of that forgiveness affect how they love others.
In Jesus name, Amen.

Father, thank you that your purposes for our children never fail. We pray that You make them worthy of Your calling and fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by Your power (2 Thessalonians 1:11).

God, help us as parents to do the hard work of discipline and building up in love.

Then let us trust that You will finish the work that You started in them and You will bring them to completion.

Let your name be glorified in our family.

In Jesus name, Amen.

Father, You have purposed that we as believers shine before others so that they can know and glorify You (Mt 5:16). Let my children be a light in dark places that shines in defiance of the lies of this culture (Phil 2:15). Let the truth of your plans for them fill them with a sense of joy and anticipation. Show them how to walk into this new year with confidence because they are seeking Your direction. As their parent, help me model this seeking of your face and bravely being a light each and every day.
In Jesus name, Amen.

Father, thank you that you have set us free from sin.

Let my children choose a life of freedom by obedience to your ways. As Romans 6:17 says let them, "become obedient from the heart".

Let their obedience be fueled by love rather than fear.

Help me cultivate this atmosphere in our home. Open their eyes to see the safety and blessing in an obedient life.

May their love for you grow so that obedience is an overflow.

In Jesus name, Amen.