



## Passage to Adulthood: Prayer Partner Ministry

Thank you for your willingness to consider praying regularly for the young people in our church family.

We are especially looking for people who are willing partner with our young people preparing to transition (or have recently made this transition) from high school to emerging adulthood. The Holy Spirit often uses the fears/unknowns of transitions to ignite significant growth of our trust in Him.

In our Family Ministries Milestone program, our strategy is “*to create a common path for family, church, and the kids we lead spiritually.*” The prayer partner ministry is one of the ways the church can align itself with our last milestone, **Passage to Adulthood**.

### **Responsibilities: (Commitment through the end of 2019)**

1. **Pray for your student by name at least once every week.** It may be helpful to place a card or photo in your bible, or in a place you will regularly be reminded to pray.
2. **Communicate with your young person at least once a month.** It may be best to inquire with your young person about the best way for them to communicate.
  - Let them know you are praying for them.
  - Ask for specific ways you can be praying for them.
  - Ask how God is responding to the ways you have been praying.
  - Share how God is working in your life.

### **Possibilities:**

1. If appropriate, connect in person with them. (take them out to lunch/coffee, invite them to your family dinner, etc...)
2. Do something special for their birthday. (birthday card, small gift, etc...)
3. Especially consider significant times or events in their life. For example just before or after they are ready for starting college, send them a note, or cookies.

### **What should I do if I am interested?**

Please email Jim Bartels and simply write your name and “*I’m In*”. The process for connecting students with prayer partners will begin the week of February 10. We will provide you with additional information during this week.

We are confident it will be a blessing and encouragement for you, especially as you see God work in the life of that young person.

Thank you for partnering in the gospel,

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