

# Friends Club



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## Additional Project Ideas

**Keep a journal.** Have the girls keep a journal of their devotional time throughout the unit. Have each girl keep track of how often she has devotional time, how long she spends, what she does, and what she learned. Encourage the girls to be faithful in their devotional time. Encourage the girls to spend time every day (even if only for a few minutes). Each week, talk about different ways to spend time with the Lord. Suggest books, study a book of the Bible together during the unit and take time to talk briefly before each club meeting, or let the girls take turns sharing short devotionals (coming from their own devotion time) and lead out in prayer at the beginning or end of each club meeting .

**Make a list.** Have each girl make a list of people and requests she will commit to pray for each day during the unit. Have her track when requests are answered.

**Pray about it.** Invite an intercessor from your church's prayer team to come in and talk to the girls about intercession. Have her encourage the girls with testimonies of how the Lord has been faithful to answer prayer in her own life. Before she leaves, have her lead the girls in prayer and encourage the girls to lead out in praying for one another.

**Have a prayer night.** Play a worship CD softly and take turns praying for one another. Encourage girls to share needs they have. Have the girls pray in a circle and take turns at the center of the circle. Take your time and make sure each girl receives prayer. Lead out in prayer, but encourage the girls to engage with you and lead out in prayer for each other. Provide time for the girls to journal about their experience being prayed for. Have the girls report if needs are answered.

**Invite a guest.** Have a guest speaker come share a testimony about how the Lord has answered a specific need in their life. Have the guest share about the need, how they prayed and who prayed with them, how long it took, and how the Lord answered the prayers. Allow time for the girls to ask questions.

**Start a collection.** Have the girls interview people who have had a prayer request answered. Have the girls ask what the need was, how they prayed, and how the request was answered.

# Resource Ideas

- *Getting in God's Face: How Prayer Really Works* by Dutch Sheets, Gospel Light, 2006.
- *My Prayer Journal* by Karen Hill, Thomas Nelson, 2007.
- *Red Moon Rising: How 24-7 Prayer is Awakening a Generation* by Peter Greig and Dave Roberts.

# Additional Discussion Questions

## Discovery #1

- What is prayer?
- Why is prayer important?
- What should we pray about?

## Discovery #2

- Why do we pray?
- Tell about a time God didn't answer your prayer. How did you feel? Did He answer it in a different way?
- How does prayer change your heart?

## Discovery #3

- How do we pray?
- What are some reasons in your own life that you praise God?
- What is God's kingdom?

## Discovery #4

- What does Jesus prayer in Matthew 6 teach us about how to pray?
- Why is it important to ask God for forgiveness when you pray?
- How do you draw near to God?

## Discovery #5

- Why does God want to communicate with you?
- Why should we pray for unbelievers?
- Why is it important to pray for those in leadership over you in church? What about in government?

## Discovery #6

- What should you do if your prayers aren't answered?
- Tell about a time your parents wouldn't let you do something you wanted to do. Did you understand at the time why they were saying "no"? Do you understand now?
- How could not getting what you want be good for you?