

HOUSE BLESSING

Invite some friends to bless your home with you and finish with a party...or a cup of tea! (It doesn't need to be elaborate because you've only just moved in.)

Begin the house blessing at the front door. Each member of the family carries a candle, as a symbol of taking Jesus into every part of the house. (Make sure you have a large candle holder or saucer to let the wax drip on, and if there are small children, ask another adult or teenager to help them with their candle. I've found that night lights in jam jars work best.) Get different people to pray the prayers in each room.

1) In the entrance

Pray: *(Leader)*

Lord God,

As we light these candles
as a symbol of you coming to live in this house,
we pray that all the darkness
will be driven out of _____'s *(names)*
new home.

Let your light enter in and fill every part of
this house with your power,
love
and presence.
Amen.



2) In the sitting room

Pray: *(Read by a friend)*

Lord,

Bless this home and _____ *(names)* as
they live here.

May it be a place where you are welcomed,
where people love one another
and try to put you at the centre of their lives.
Amen.



3) In the kitchen/dining room

Read: Revelation 3 v20 *(Read by a friend)*

Pray:

(Read by husband/wife or owner of the house.)

Lord Jesus,

When you arrived on earth
You cooked food and ate with many
different people.

As we cook and eat together with friends,
please be with us.

Give us opportunities to talk about you and
to get to know you better.
Amen.



4) In the bedrooms

People could make up their own prayer for their own room or use some of the following.

Read: John 8 v12 (*Read by a child or friend*)
Matthew 5 v14-16 (*Read by a friend*)

In the main/parents bedroom

Pray:

(Read by husband/wife or owner of the house.)

Dear Lord Jesus,

We thank you for comfort,
warmth and relaxation.

As we sleep please renew the strength of our
bodies and protect our minds.

May this room be a place where we spend
time reading our bibles
and getting to know you better.

Amen.



(Read by a child or friend)

Dear Father,

May this room be a refuge from the pressures
of life,

a place of safety where you are.

May this room be a joyful place
where love and friendship are shared.

May this room be a place of peace
where forgiveness for doing wrong
and making mistakes is given and received.

Amen.



5) In the bathroom

This prayer can be used for the bathroom and toilets.

Pray: *(Read by a friend)*

Dear Lord Jesus,

In this room we wash away the dirt from
ourselves each day.

May your Holy Spirit come
and fill this home.

Wash away the dirt of sin,
of evil
and of ungodly living,

and flood each room with your presence.

Make this home a place of
love, forgiveness and joy;
a place where God comes first.

In Jesus name we ask it.

Amen.



Here you can add in any extra prayers for any areas of the house not covered.

6) On the landing between the bedrooms.

ALL the friends present say the blessing on the new household.

Pray: *(Numbers 6 v24-26)*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be
gracious to you;

The Lord turn his face towards you and give you
his peace.

Now and forever,

Amen.



7) Prayer for the garden.

To be fitted in when and where appropriate.

Pray: *(Read by family or friend)*

Lord God,

We thank you for the garden,
a place to relax and play in
a place where we can enjoy seeing your
creation.

Please bless the time this family spends
together in the garden.

Amen.

