

# 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.

