

In this month of giving thanks, it's a great time for families to acknowledge the people and the experiences we sometimes take for granted. We want to honor those who have given of their time, their service, and their joy to us and to others. Let's also recognize the beauty around us, the experiences that help us grow, and the gifts we've been given.

Don't forget that we can be thankful in all things, even the difficult things, because those help us become stronger and more grateful for the things we might have missed before.

Use the prompts on the following page to practice being grateful as a family. You can use the Gratitude Challenge in a few ways.

OPTION *1: As a family, go through the chart all month long and randomly pick a box. (Note: There isn't a prompt for every single day of the month. We realize it's difficult to make this happen every day.) Read a prompt and ask each family member to think of a person or story that comes to mind and share it with everyone.

OPTION *2: If you can't physically be together, type out the prompt in a group text.

OPTION *3: If you want to remember your answers, fill in each box with each person's answers. Or have each person fill in their own chart.

OPTION *4: If possible, send a thank you note, text, email, or handmade card to the people you think about to let them know you are thankful for them.

OPTION *5: Planning a Thanksgiving dinner? Go around the table and have each person pick a prompt and share about a person or story that comes to mind.



The GRATITUDE Family Challenge

Someone who Someone who helped Someone who you see at a store Someone who taught you when you needed listens to you when or restaurant on you something something you need a friend a consistent basis who is always kind Someone who may have Someone who Something new helps your family tough to deal with at Something you you learned (neighbor, day care first, but you were like about yourself worker, mail carrier) grateful for them later Something God made that you think Something hard you is beautiful (either Something you are Something you had to go through and looking forward to you've seen in real did well this year what you learned life, or in photos or videos online) Something you use A gift that you Something you saw Someone or something every day that you loved receiving and someone else do well that made you laugh might take for granted who gave it to you Someone you see every Someone who lives Someone who serves Someone who day (at work, school, taught you something out their faith in a way your community, or neighborhood) who has that you admire about God even our country shown you kindness

