

# 50 THINGS ANYONE CAN DO FOR ORPHAN/STAND SUNDAY

(Church, Nonprofit Organization, Business, Individual, Christian School, Homeschool group, FCA, Foster/Adoptive Parent Support Group, Kiwanis, Junior League, CASA, DFCS, Local Children's Home, Adoption Agency, Scouts group)

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1. Collection Drive for items needed for foster care, intl orphanages, local children's home, crisis pregnancy center
2. Create and/or distribute prayer cards, children awaiting adoptive families, needing sponsorships, needing hosting
3. Set aside time of intercessory prayer
4. Fasting
5. Write letters or cards of encouragement to orphaned and vulnerable children
6. Gather together a small group and read an orphan care related book together and discuss
7. Prepare/Present curriculum related to orphan care to a small group or class, geared to adults, youth or children
8. Orphan Care related sermon on Orphan Sunday
9. Plan a set of worship songs that reflect God's heart for the orphan, include the church youth or children's choir
10. Commission the families in your church or workplace who have decided to step into orphan care in the next year
11. Plan a baby/child dedication or shower for the new adoptive and foster children in your congregation
12. Invite a former foster or orphaned youth to speak to your group
13. Invite an adoptive, foster, host or respite family to speak to your group
14. Invite a nonprofit organization working with vulnerable children to speak to your group
15. Plan a fundraiser to benefit OVC
16. Take a love offering to benefit OVC
17. Gather together a small group and watch an orphan care related MOVIE together and discuss
18. Plan a service project to benefit an adoptive or foster family, local children's home or crisis pregnancy center
19. Host a breakfast or lunch for local CASA volunteers and/or DFCS workers
20. Host a 'date night' for local adoptive, foster and host families
21. Sew dresses and other handmade items (dolls, jump ropes) for overseas orphans
22. Bake/Take a meal to a local adoptive, foster or host family
23. Show the CAFO Orphan Sunday video to your group/congregation
24. Host an orphan care forum to recruit and educate your community of the needs locally and globally
25. Setup info table to share orphan care resources/opportunities at a church, concert, festival, workplace or school
26. Host a live webinar on social media to educate others on the orphan care issues that burden your heart
27. Lunch and Learn in the workplace to present orphan care related issues and needs locally and globally
28. Donate a portion of your business proceeds to raise awareness near the time of Orphan Sunday
29. Begin an adoption grant or college scholarship fund for aging out foster youth in your church or workplace
30. Distribute OS flyers to local libraries, coffee shops, bookstores or post in your own business or workplace
31. Offer to be interviewed on local Christian radio station near the time of Orphan Sunday
32. Share the official OS PSA with the radio stations in your area
33. Mail the OS "Save the Date" cards to local pastors in your area
34. Submit the official OS Press Release to local publications in your area
35. Write letters to your local and state politicians requesting participation and support in OS
36. Stage a visual representation of the 140 orphans worldwide, such as 140 pairs of shoes on the church stage
37. Include the OS Bulletin Insert on OS
38. Signup to mentor and/or tutor a local foster youth or child residing in a local children's home
39. Host a birthday party for children in foster care or in your local children's home
40. Kickoff or relaunch and orphan care ministry in your church
41. Signup to serve on a mission trip to serve OVC
42. Signup to volunteer in your local children's home
43. Signup to volunteer for DFCS as a court babysitter, supervise visitations, etc
44. Signup to become a CASA
45. Signup to HOST
46. Signup to FOSTER
47. Signup to provide RESPITE care
48. Signup to ADOPT
49. Signup to SPONSOR a child
50. Donate to make it possible for OVC to attend Christian summer camp

