



PRAYING FOR CHRISTIAN JOB CORPS OF TENNESSEE

SEPTEMBER

"Jabez called upon the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!" And God granted what he asked."

1 Chronicles 4:10 (ESV)

Over a decade ago, the Prayer of Jabez from 1 Chronicles was trendy. Churches and congregants used it for a variety of prayer needs, including missions. I believe Jabez's prayer can also be applied to Christian Job Corps. As we begin the new program year, we pray that the teachers, students, and mentors enter with hopeful, expectant hearts. That we walk confidently in the strength and power of our Lord, Jesus Christ, to share Jesus, equip lives, and create new opportunities for life success.

Dear Heavenly Father, like Jabez, we ask You to bless us indeed—not simply with success, but with the wisdom, strength, character, and opportunities we need to fulfill the purpose You have placed before us. Guide our students, instructors, mentors, families, and communities throughout this program year.

*Through **Christian Job Corps of Tennessee**, help us continue creating pathways toward transformation. Equip men and women with the tools, encouragement, relationships, and opportunities they need to move forward. May every person we serve discover gifts within themselves that they may not yet see.*

Guard our minds from discouragement, our hearts from fear, and our words from negativity. When challenges come, remind us that setbacks do not have the final word. When we fall short, help us learn rather than give up. When we succeed, keep us humble and grateful.

Father, make this a year of new beginnings, restored hope, courageous choices, and meaningful growth. And when this school year is finished, may we look back and say, "God was with us. He made a way where we could not see one. He enlarged our territory, strengthened our steps, and helped us become more than we imagined. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

Site Spotlight: New and Developing Sites. The July CJC Level 1 and Level II trainings encouraged and equipped new and developing leaders to establish or grow sites across Tennessee and Alabama. We especially pray for our developing Tennessee sites that are collaborating with local leaders in East and Middle Tennessee to reach more men and women for a life in Christ and to equip them with the skills needed for greater personal and career growth. We pray that God will expand our volunteer base and partnerships so that more students are able to change the trajectory of their own and their family's future.