

P.R.A.Y. Announcement March 17, 2020

SPECIAL ELIGIBILITY EXTENSION IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

With social distancing and recognizing that church and regular meetings have been suspended, P.R.A.Y. adopted the following policy on March 17, 2020 to ensure that young people do not miss the opportunity to earn their P.R.A.Y. emblem while maintaining eligibility for the Four-Star Award:

At the request of clergy and counselors, a special eligibility extension is in effect until December 31, 2020. This means that students who are eligible for a program based on their current grade level in March 2020, will still be eligible to earn that award until the end of this calendar year, December 31, 2020. Instead of aging out of a program in the fall when starting a new grade at school, the P.R.A.Y. extension will allow young people to complete their requirements until December 31, 2020.

NEW RESOURCES FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING

P.R.A.Y. announced new resources to support families and youth as they complete P.R.A.Y. awards at home to foster faith formation during this time of social distancing. Parents make excellent Counselors for their own children and are encouraged to lead the P.R.A.Y. Program with the following resources:

Videos – Visit the <u>P.R.A.Y. YouTube Channel</u> for a series of short videos for each of the program levels introducing each lesson including hints and helps for those who might be serving in the counselor role for the first time.

30 Day Challenges – Click on the appropriate P.R.A.Y. Program level for a prescribed schedule to help complete the requirements within 30 days.

<u>Jesus and Me 30 Day Challenge</u> (Kindergarten & 1st grade) <u>God and Me 30 Day Challenge</u> (grades 2-3)

God and Family 30 Day Challenge (grades 4-6)

God and Church 30 Day Challenge (grades 6-8)

God and Life 30 Day Challenge (grades 9-12)