

GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER 2026

PRAYER PACKET FOR ORUEF SCHOOLS

February 24th, 2026

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chris Belyeu



Dear School Leaders,

We are excited to invite you to participate in an ORUef initiative in our Day of Prayer on Tuesday, February 24. Schools from ORUef (and our brothers and sisters at ACSI schools) will be joining together to make a concerted effort to pray for our students, families, schools, churches, and nations. We would love for you to participate.

This year's theme comes from the words of Paul in 2 Timothy 1:7, where he reminds believers that God has not called us to live in fear, but has instead equipped us with His power, His love, and a sound mind. In a world filled with uncertainty, pressures, and challenges, this verse is a powerful reminder that we are not left to face life in our own strength. So many times, we focus on the part of this scripture that talks about the spirit of fear, but the power of this passage lies not in the fear but in who He is. God has given us everything we need to stand firm, walk boldly, and live faithfully.

We have created a Prayer Packet for ORUef Schools that provides materials and ideas to help you and your team join in this day of prayer. You will find activities, a sample chapel plan, promotional resources, bookmarks, and communication tools. Feel free to use them or to organize your own day's activities.

There is power in prayer and power in joining our faith together. If you would like for your school to participate, please let us know at [Day of Prayer – ORUef](#). We are excited to see the miracles and work that the Lord will do during this time.

Christ's Richest Blessings,
Chris Belyeu



Day of Prayer Theme: Power, Love, and a Sound Mind

As we continue our annual ORUef Day of Prayer (DOP for short), we want this event to be centered on the truth and power of Jesus.

This year's theme comes from the words of Paul in 2 Timothy 1:7, where he reminds believers that God has not called us to live in fear, but has instead equipped us with His power, His love, and a sound mind. In a world filled with uncertainty, pressures, and challenges, this verse is a powerful reminder that we are not left to face life in our own strength. God has given us everything we need to stand firm, walk boldly, and live faithfully.

We invite you to join us and Christian schools all around the world for a global day of prayer on February 24th. We are taking this time of prayer to focus our hearts on the truth of 2 Timothy 1:7, choosing to walk as people equipped with power, love, and a sound mind through the Holy Spirit.

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Overview

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Join

Let us know you are joining by filling out a simple form at oruef.org/dop.

2

Organize

Create a school wide plan as simply or elaborately as you would like.

3

Promote

Post DOP graphics on social media, hang posters, and email parents in preparation.

4

Pray and Share

On February 24th pray with schools all over the world! Lean in to what the Lord is doing!

Steps for a Day of Prayer



Step 1: Join

- Fill out the form at oruef.org/dop.
- Ask the Holy Spirit what your school should do.
- Establish a DOP Coordinator.
- Explore the optional DOP resources.

Step 2: Organize

- Plan the day. Feel free to use the optional ORUef Day of Prayer resources as a guide.
 - Create a Chapel Plan.
 - Plan and choose a prayer walk to implement.
- Inform teachers about the event and send them this DOP packet. It includes optional engagement ideas, coloring pages, bookmarks, word searches, and more. We have provided a sample email for teachers.

Step 3: Promote

- Send out a parent email. A sample email is provided.
- Post DOP graphic on your social media account.
- Print and hang up the DOP posters around your school
- Mention the approaching day on morning announcements, at teachers' meetings, at chapel, etc.

Step 4: Pray and Share

- Join schools all around the world for this Day of Prayer!
- Share what the Lord is doing in your school! Post pictures from your Day of Prayer on social media and tag us @icaaoruef or use #ORUefDOP on Instagram and Facebook.

Classroom Engagement Ideas

Info:

These ideas are for any grades you see fit! They are great on their own or tied into daily lessons. Feel free to adapt and add to them in any way. Have fun with these activities!

OBJECT LESSON + ART PROJECT: Make Your Own

Materials

- Paper plates or cardstock cut into shield shapes
- Markers, crayons, colored pencils
- Aluminum foil (optional for a shiny shield look)
- Stickers, glue, craft decorations
- Three symbols (optional):

Biceps= Power

Heart = Love

Brain = Sound Mind



Step-by-Step Instructions

1. Build the Shield

Kids decorate their shield shape using foil, paint, crayons, or markers. Explain: “A shield protects us. God’s Word, a thankful heart, and our praises help protect our hearts and minds from fear.”

2. Add the Three Sections

Divide the shield into three parts:

- Power
- Love
- Sound Mind

School Classroom Engagement Ideas Continued

OBJECT LESSON + ART PROJECT: Make Your Own Shield

3. Write/Draw What Helps Them

Ask students: “What helps you remember that God gives you power? Love? A sound mind?”

Let them write a word or draw a picture in each section.

4. Add Scripture Reminder

At the top or bottom of the shield, write:

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

2 Timothy 1:7

Discussion Questions

- When do you sometimes feel afraid?
- How can God’s power help you this week?
- What are ways we can show love?
- What does having a sound mind look like at school?



Example Chapel Plan

Welcome and Icebreaker

- Greet students and remind them of the Day of Prayer.
- Read the theme verse and note the prize at the end of the day for everyone who memorizes it.
- Pray and invite the Holy Spirit into chapel.
- Icebreaker: Power, Love, Sound Mind” Movements
- Teach 3 motions:
 - Power → flex your muscles
 - Love → make a heart with your hands
 - Sound Mind → point to your head
- Then call out different situations:
 - “You’re trying something new!” →
 - “Someone needs help!” →
 - “You feel nervous!” →

Worship

- “No Longer Slaves” — Bethel Music
- “Who You Say I Am” — Hillsong Worship
- “Another In the Fire” — Hillsong UNITED
- “Our Father” — Bethel Music

Teaching

Read: 2 Timothy 1:7

Materials

- 1 clear jar labeled Fear
- 3 jars labeled Power, Love, Sound Mind
- Water + dark food coloring

Example Chapel Plan



Demonstration

- Fill the Fear jar with dark colored water.
- Hold it up and explain how fear darkens our thinking.
- One by one, pour the clear water from the Power, Love, and Sound Mind jars into the “Fear” jar.
- Watch the darkness lighten or be pushed out.

Teaching Point:

“God gives us what we need to push fear out of our hearts and minds.”

RESPONSE + PRAYER

PRAYER WALK



Since this is the Day of Prayer, and prayer is essential for relying on him for power, love and a sound mind, we have chosen to highlight a prayer walk. This experience invites students to journey through various prayer stations, pausing at each to listen to the Holy Spirit, reflect deeply, and pray intentionally over specific prayer points. It fosters unity as everyone engages in shared prayer points, while also strengthening individual prayer lives. It is a time to intentionally focus on and engage with what the Holy Spirit is speaking!

We have designed two different options for the prayer walk. The first option features more general prayer points, with each station highlighting a specific topic, followed by scriptures to inspire and direct prayers. *Tip: Have students bring their Bibles so they can find the passage and pray straight out of their own Bible! The second option is individually focused and centered around a theme. It guides students through a reflective and prayerful journey, emphasizing the importance of establishing Jesus as their firm foundation.

These prayer walks can be adapted in various ways to suit your needs, whether done in groups or individually, all school or in each classroom. The approach you choose is entirely up to you. Some options include students bringing prayer journals, writing their prayers on sticky notes and leaving them at each station, or praying out loud with one another. A particularly engaging method for involving the whole school is pairing an older student with a younger buddy. Together, they can journey through the prayer stations, praying over each point as a team!

The Holy Spirit is moving powerfully around the world and within each school, so don't feel limited to these two options! If the Holy Spirit has inspired an idea or your school has been sensing His direction on specific prayer points, feel free to incorporate them into the prayer walk. There is a blank set of prayer cards below that can be filled in!



**Station 1:
Praise and Thanksgiving**

- Take a couple of minutes to praise and thank Him for who He is and what He has done in your life!
- Invite the Holy Spirit into the prayer walk!

Psalm 100:4-5

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

(You can pray this and make it personal!)



**Station 2:
Your Nation**

- Ask God to protect and guide your leaders.
- Pray for the foundations of unity, peace, justice, and love to be present in every person.
- Pray over things that are going on in your nation currently!

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

(You can pray this specifically over your nation!)



Station 3: Revival

- Pray for a spirit of repentance and humility to come to your generation!
- Believe and intercede for a new wave of His power to fall on the nations.
- Pray that those who do not know Jesus yet would have a radical encounter with Him.

Psalm 22:27

All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations.

(You can specifically pray this!)

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Station 4: Christian Schools Around the World

- Pray that God would open the doors for Christian education to be available in every nation.
- Pray for protection, provision, and strength for teachers and students. (in your school and schools everywhere!)
- If there is anything specific happening in your school pray about it too!

Mark 11:24

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

(As you pray, have faith because He has promised us to answer us!)

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Station 5: Your Church

- Pray for your pastors to be filled with strength and knowledge to lead.
- Pray for God to show up in new and mighty ways to your church.
- Ask God to bring in new people so they can experience the power of Jesus and to use you to reach them!

Isaiah 6:8

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"
(Pray that this would be your heart posture to serve others in the church.)

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Station 6: Your Family

- Pray for protection, peace, and unity to be the foundation of your family.
- Pray over specific issues or things your family has been facing.
- If you have family who doesn't know Jesus yet specifically ask the Lord to meet them!

Joshua 24:15

As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.
(Pray that Jesus would show up to them just as He did to you!)

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**Station 2:
Kinds of Foundations**

Journal/Discussion Points

-What kinds of foundations have you seen Bible characters or others build their lives on? Did they choose to trust God like Noah and continue to build even when things got hard or did they build on sinking sand?

-After reflecting on others, what kind of foundation do you want to have?





**Station 3:
Your Foundation in the
Past**

Journal/Discussion Points

- Think of a time in your life where your foundation was tested. Maybe storms came like losing a family member or moving away. Did you feel secure because you had Him as your foundation? Or did you feel lost and confused? (Be honest with the Lord and let Him remind you of things!)
- What do you wish your foundation would have been like?



**Station 4:
Action Steps**

Journal/Discussion Points

- Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal ways you can actively be building a better foundation. (It could be Bible reading, worship, more prayer, etc.) Let Him lead you!
- Write down what He says. Make a plan to accomplish that. (e.g. read one chapter of the Bible every day)

Blank DOP Prayer Station Cards



Station 1:

Prayer Point

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PARENT EMAIL



Dear Families,

We are thrilled to announce our upcoming Day of Prayer on Tuesday, February 24th! As members of the ORU Educational Fellowship, we are part of a global network of Christian schools. On February 24th, we have the privilege of joining schools worldwide in dedicating ourselves to prayer. We will pray for our families, schools, churches, and nation. The day will be filled with meaningful classroom activities, prayer walks, and special times of worship, all designed to draw us closer to Jesus.

This year's theme comes from 2 Timothy 1:7: "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." Jesus gives us a powerful picture of the kind of life He calls us to live—not one led by fear, but one strengthened by the gifts God places within us. Because God has not given us a spirit of fear, we can face challenges with power, respond to others with love, and think clearly with a sound mind. Even when difficulties arise or uncertainty tries to overwhelm us, His presence equips us to stand firm. We can rely on Him daily for courage, wisdom, and steady peace.

We pray that this theme serves as a powerful reminder of our hope in Christ—He will never abandon us, and His presence will sustain us in every circumstance.

We invite you to join us in prayer on this special day. Together, let's ask God to guide, protect, and empower His people, enabling us to reflect His light in our community.

We sense God drawing us closer to Him during this time, and we are always excited to partner with you in raising up a generation. Thank you for standing with us in prayer as we seek His presence, strength, and blessings for our children and our school community.

Sincerely,

SAMPLE LEADERSHIP AND STAFF EMAIL



Dear School Leaders and Staff,

ORUef is hosting a Day of Prayer for member schools on February 24th. This is an amazing community of Christian schools that we are a part of. We have the opportunity to partner with other schools from all around the world and pray together.

The ORUef Day of Prayer is an annual event with a new theme each year. This year, the theme is inspired by 2 Timothy 1:7 “For God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

We are committed to prayer as a school, so we are extremely expectant for this time. God is going to move in mighty ways in each of our students. Please take a moment to review the Day of Prayer Packet, which includes classroom resources. Feel free to add any of your ideas and share them with others.

Sample Morning Announcement



Today marks our ORUef Day of Prayer, and we are so excited! We have the incredible privilege of joining Christian schools all around the world in dedicating to prayer.

Today's schedule is filled with meaningful and fun activities, including a special chapel focused on prayer and a buddy prayer walk centered around our theme: Power, Love, and a Sound Mind.

Our theme comes from 2 Timothy 1:7, where Scripture tells us that God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and of a sound mind.

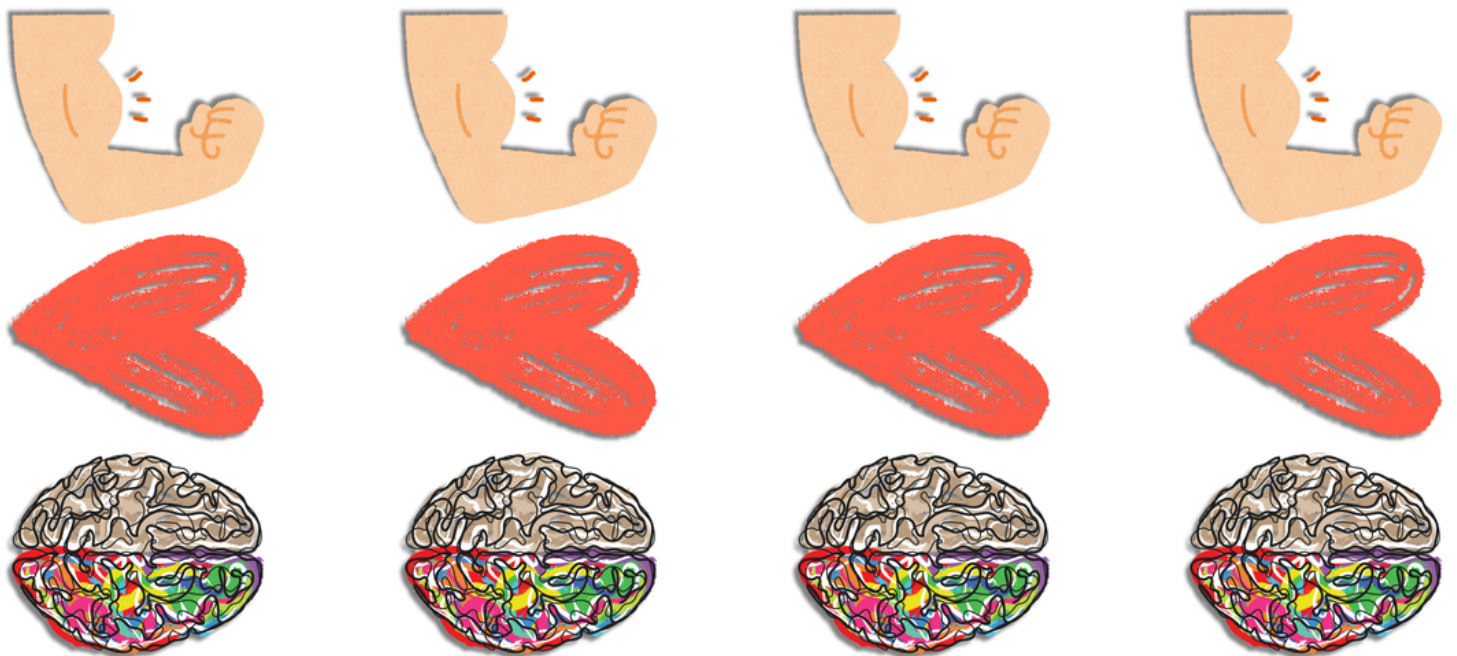
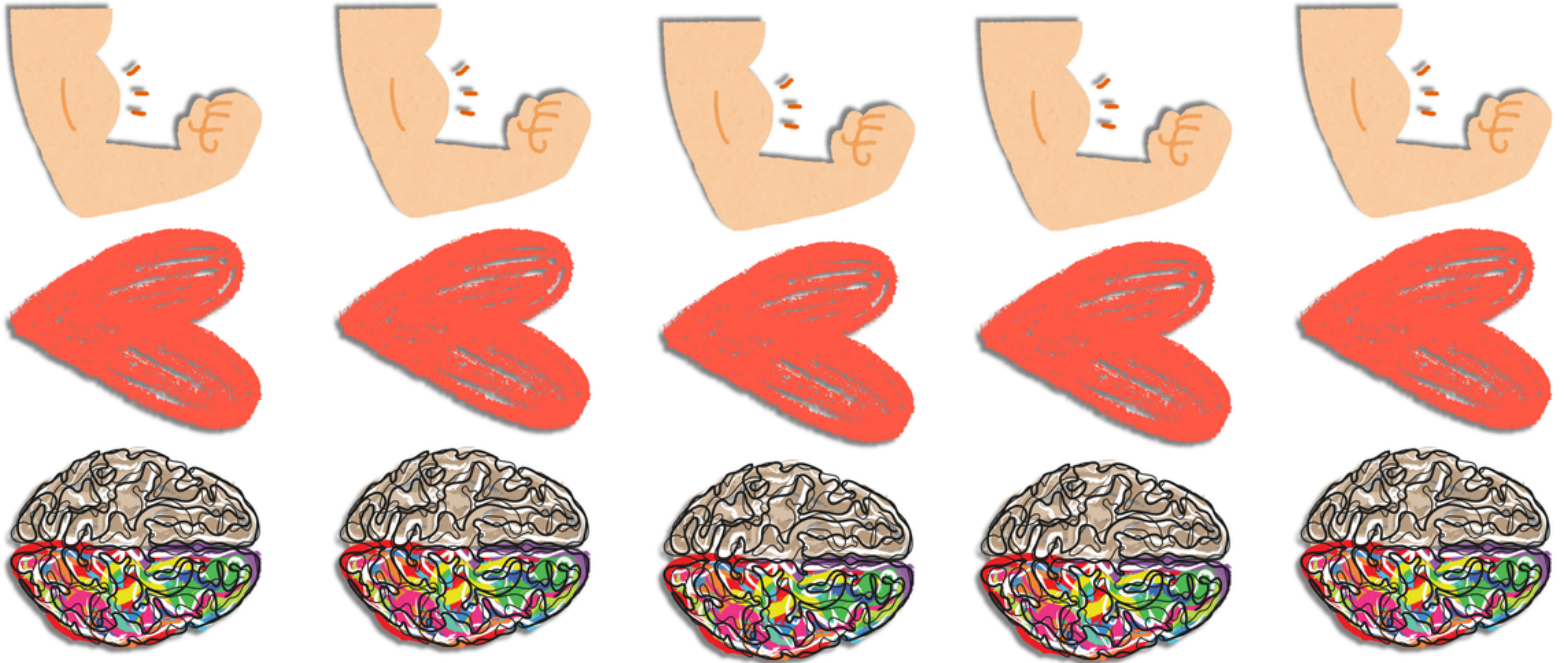
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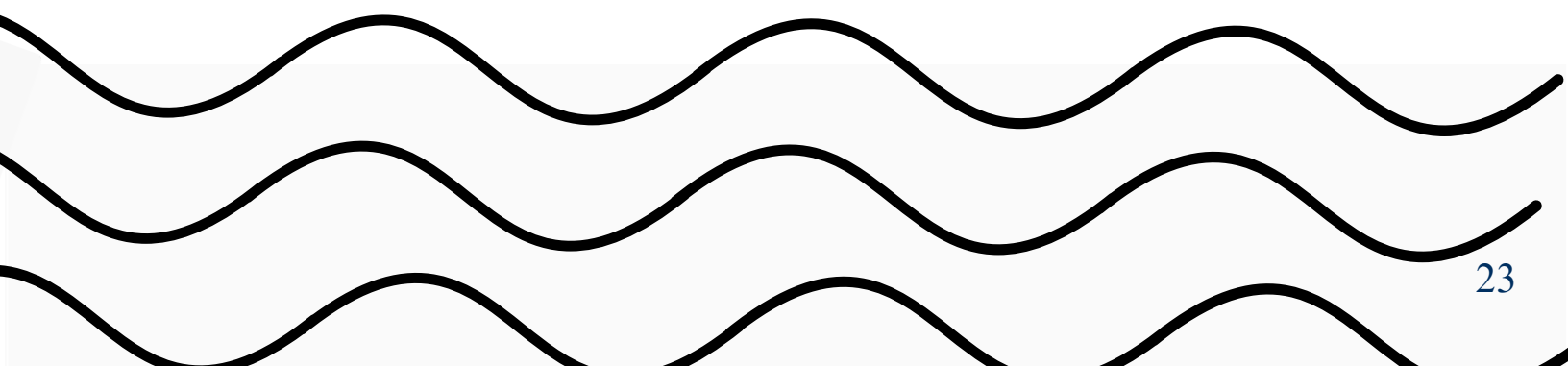
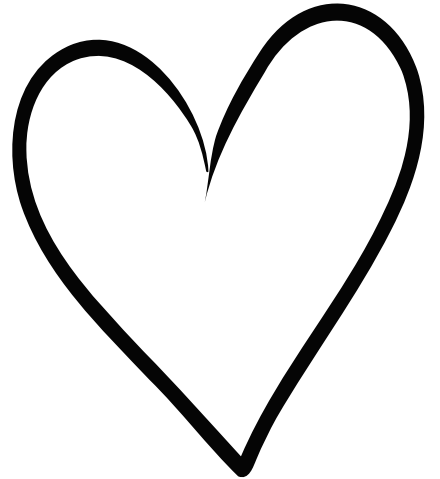
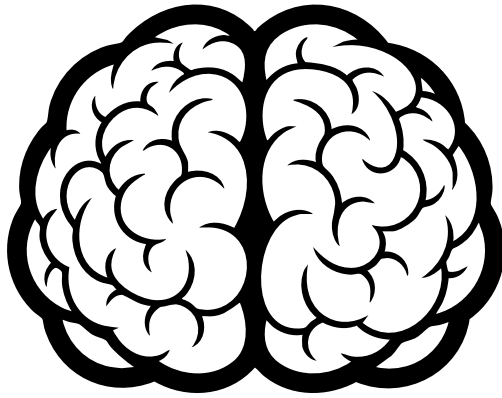
DOP Social Media Graphic



DOP Kids' Bookmarks

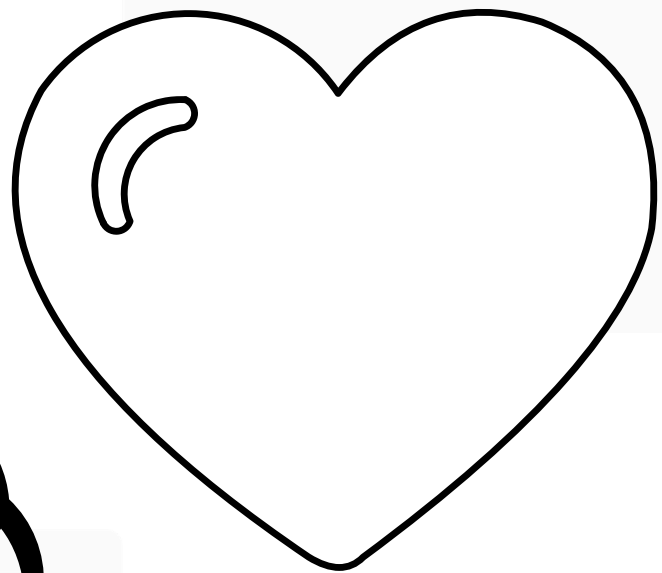
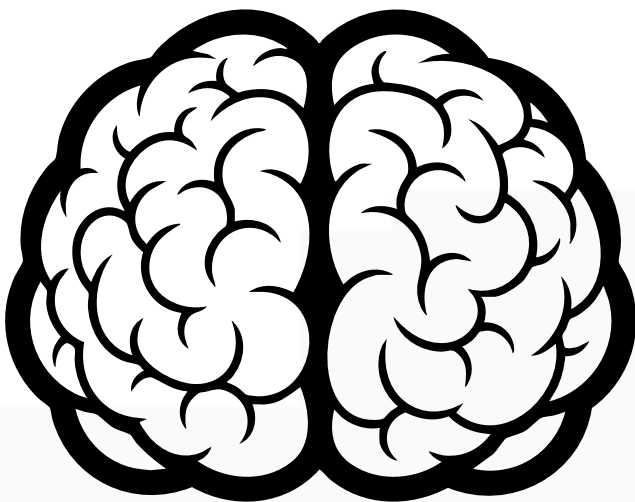


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Timothy 1:7



Name: _____ Date: _____

POWER, LOVE, AND A SOUND MIND

2 Timothy 1:7 Word Search

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