Congregations Supporting TEACHERS

THE CHANGE FEELS CONSTANT.
AND THE PLANS WILL NO DOUBT CHANGE AGAIN. NO MATTER WHAT THE PLAN WILL BE, PARENTS ARE VOICING FRUSTRATION AND ANGER. SAFETY AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES ARE LOW, AND STUDENTS' NEEDS ARE HIGH. TEACHERS ARE WONDERING ABOUT THEIR OWN CHILDREN. HOW IS THIS GOING TO WORK?

1.) LISTEN
- Attend school board meetings. Stay current on your community's school plans.
- Check in with teachers, principals, administrators, and staff. Ask "How are you? How can we help?"
- Give teachers/administrators a platform to speak to the congregation.

2.) PRAY
- Offer a "Blessing of the Teachers" during worship.
- Pair teachers and congregation members together as Prayer Partners.
- Include area schools, principals, and board members on church prayer lists.

3.) GIVE
- Gather and donate school and classroom supplies.
- Gather and donate safety and sanitation supplies.
- Supply teachers and school staff with meals, gift cards, and financial support for childcare and counseling.

4.) SERVE
- Schedule acts of teacher/school staff appreciation.
- Connect substitute teachers and underemployed educators with small groups looking for tutors.
- Provide space on church grounds for tutors to meet with their student small groups.

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