

# The Great Sending

## School Prayer Guide- April

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Jesus, the Lamb of God, was SENT to pay for the sins of the world with his death on the cross.

Jesus, the Redeemer, was SENT to defeat sin, death, and the devil when he rose from the grave.

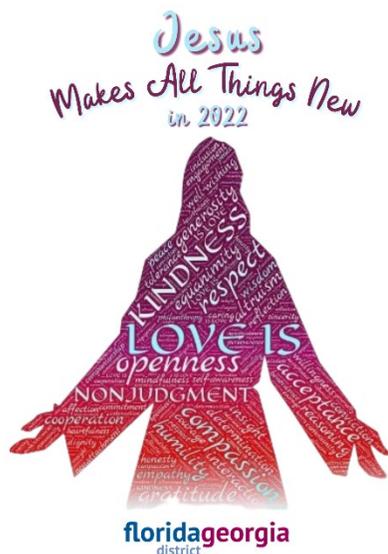
Jesus, the Cornerstone, was SENT to be the foundation for the Church that is joined together through him.

You, the members of the Church, are SENT to tell the story of Jesus's resurrection and so share life with the world.

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During this month of Easter, lift up the ministry of schools and childcare centers in your daily prayers. Pray that as they hear the Easter story, children in our schools put their faith in our risen Savior, Jesus.

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### *Praise God the Father who*

- sent Jesus to seek and to save the lost.
- sent Jesus to be the perfect sacrifice for our sins.
- sent Jesus to call disciples to become fishers of men.
- sent Jesus to make all things new.

### *Praise the Son, Jesus, who*

- suffered the pain of crucifixion out of love for us.
- died on the cross because he chose to save the world.
- rose after three days showing his power over death.
- called little children to come to him and blessed them.

### *Praise the Holy Spirit who*

- gives us the words to share the Easter story with all people.
- fills us with the power to be bold witnesses of the power of the resurrection.
- guides us toward opportunities to share our faith.
- teaches us to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world.

### *Pray for our school leaders and teachers, asking God to*

- renew their passion for ministry and their love for the children in their care.
- give them the words they need to teach truth of the gospel to all ages.
- plant seeds of faith through their words and actions.
- bless them with joy as they celebrate Easter and new life in Jesus.

### *Pray for our students, asking God to*

- help students see opportunities to invite friends to church through Easter activities.
- encourage students to talk with their parents about Bible lessons learned at school.
- work through the Easter story to bring families to faith.
- make Easter a time of spiritual renewal in homes of believers.