

# A Child's Prayer Egg Shakers

## How to Play:

- Sing through A Child's Prayer once, before introducing the egg shakers.
- We're going to do a few different egg patterns for this song! You can stick with your favorite or follow our sequence of switching up the patterns.
- Sing the first line of the song and demonstrate the pattern, then invite the children to come up to grab an egg shaker. Count down to 10 to have them all back in their spots ready to join in!
- Work your way with one pattern through the verse (or the whole song).
- Then, say let's switch that up a little. Can you follow this? Demonstrate the new pattern with the first line of the song. Then start the song from the beginning with the kids joining in.

**Simple Pattern #1:** Shake the egg shaker with a fast-steady beat. (4 shakes during "Heavenly Father") Switch hands after each line of the song.

**Simple Pattern #2:** Shake with the same beat frequency (4 shakers during "Heavenly Father") but switch hands after every 2 shakes instead of after every line. (Heavenly / Father / are you / really / there)

**Simple Pattern #3:** Shake continuously for every reference of Heavenly Father and Jesus. (Heavenly Father, you, Jesus, me, Father, thee)

**Simple Pattern #4:** Make a SMALL contained toss of your egg shaker whenever the lyrics talk about a child or yourself. (child, I, me, children, I'm).

**Harder Pattern #1:** Combine all 3 above (1,3,4). Use consistent beat shaking for all the lyrics but add in a constant fast shake for references to deity and a small toss for references to a child/self.

**Harder Pattern #2:** Switch hands with each new word! Some sections of the song that means quick transitions and others it's slow and steady. It means they've got to be paying attention!



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