

Recruit Class / Academy Remarks
before Praying for Recruits
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Firefighting is one of the world's most honored but dangerous occupations. When there is an emergency in the community, firefighters are one of the first on the scene. Firefighters are there on scenes of fires, motor vehicle accidents, tornadoes, hazardous material incidents, rescue operations, explosions, medical emergencies....

Those graduating from the fire academy here today, you have trained in the Essentials of Firefighting, the basic, fundamentals that will help you do your jobs and keep you safe....

At the beginning of your job as a firefighter, we want to pray God's blessings upon you; that God will keep you and protect you; that you will save lives and protect the properties of our community.

Let us pray:

Dear God, we pray for these new recruits who will become firefighters of Sugar Creek Township Fire Department.

We pray that You will protect each of them as they go into uncertain incidents and dangers as they fulfill their duties as firefighters. Lord, give them clarity of mind; recall them of the training they have received; give them nerves of steel as they encounter stressors that most people never even imagine in their routine jobs as firefighters.

Dear Lord, keep their families in Your great arms of love as their firefighters go into harms-way as they do their jobs. Dear Lord, keep them from danger and keep them safe, through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen.