

Father in Heaven,  
King of all Creation -

A PRAYER FOR  
**Sidewalks**

May our sidewalks  
Be safe paths for children  
Who walk every day to learn,  
And safe passage for children  
Who are still learning to walk.

May our sidewalks  
Be happy trails for dogs  
Who know the hidden and holy scents  
Buried deep within the dirt.

May our sidewalks  
Be constantly colored with chalk  
Words, flowers, and numbered squares  
That remind us to never grow too old  
For drawing and hopscotch.

May our sidewalks  
Be familiar routes for spouses,  
Parents, siblings, and friends -  
Who hold hands, hold heartache,  
And hold on to hope.

May our sidewalks be  
Places where we return  
To moving at Godspeed,  
Walking at a pace  
Where we learn to walk with You.

Amen.