

# BLESSING AT THE LOSS OF A PET

- Prepare** Put Bible, a candle, and a highlighter on the table.
- Gather** Bring all family members and guests together around the table.
- Begin** Light the candle and say, "We are here to remember (name). Let us begin our time together in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."
- Read** Read Genesis 1:24-25. Highlight the passage and mark the date.
- Share** Ask everyone to share their fondest memories of your pet. They may also be written in a journal. Young children could draw pictures of your pet. Look through photographs and talk about your pet. Assure all concerned that God loves all God's creatures.
- Pray** Creator God, you made (name) and all creatures on the earth. Thank you for (name) and all the time we shared with him/her. Be with us now as we say good-bye to our dear friend. Amen.
- Blessing** **God of all creation, be with us in our sadness and give us comfort. Amen.**

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