

## **Prayer Bear Pattern**

Size 8 needles

Cast on 36 stitches. Knit 22 rows.

Next row knit 2 together and across 18 stitches. Knit 3 rows

Next row increase 1 in each stitch across 36 stitches. Knit 22 rows

### Legs

Next row knit 18 stitches. Turn. Knit 22 rows.

Bind off

Join yarn, and work 1 row 18 stitches for 22 rows (use stitch holder)

Bind off

Use stitch holder for remaining 18 stitches

### Arms - make 2

Cast on 12 stitches. Knit 16 rows

Bind off

### Finish

Sew center back seam of bear, leaving an opening for stuffing

Sew across to head.

Sew legs closed.

Stuff bear

Sew arm seams and stuff.

Sew arms on bear.

Sew stitches to create ears.

### Make pocket

Cast 12 stitches. Knit 6 rows.

Sew on bear for pouch.

Put note in pouch. "God loves you" or other prayer note

Decorate as desired with eyes, nose, mouth, ribbon around neck, etc.