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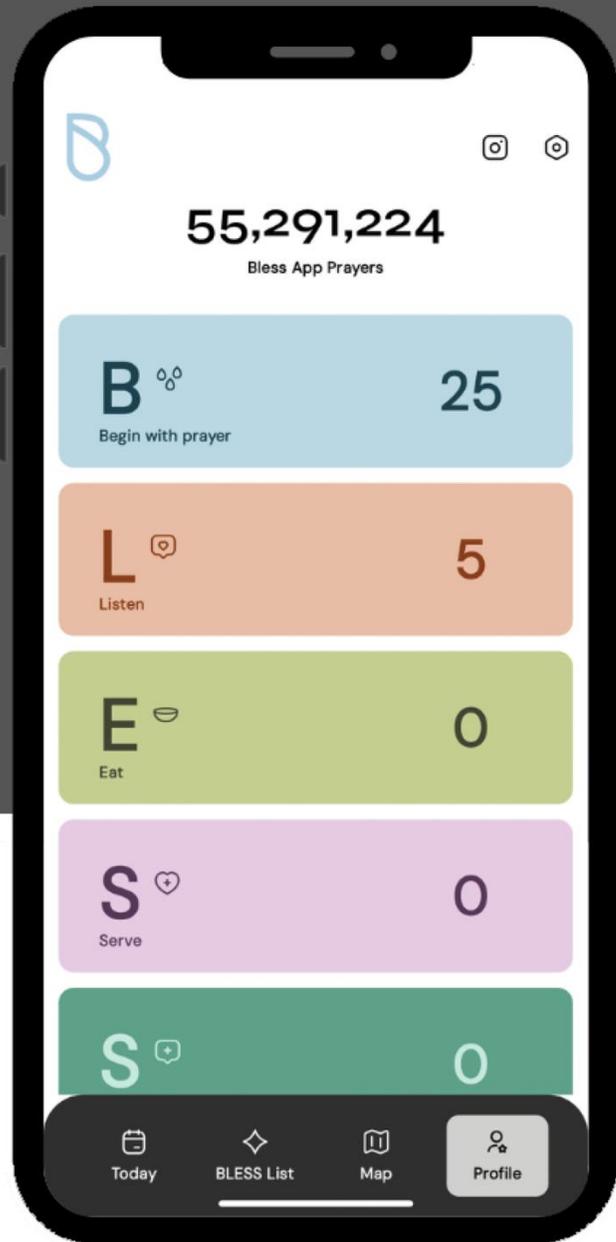
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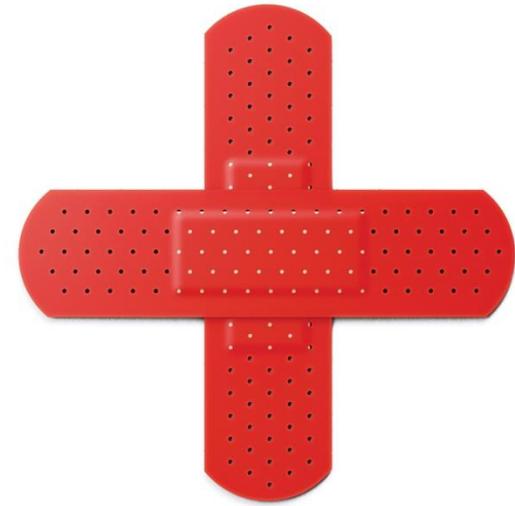


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School counselor who prevented 2016 mass shooting speaks at school safety conference

by: [Michelle Jennings](#)

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On the Average Day in the **USA**



2.3 million
people in jails or
prisons

—American Jail Association



130
SUICIDES

—American Foundation for
Suicide Prevention

100 people
die by drug overdose

—National Conference
of State Legislatures



2,362 babies aborted

—National Right to Life



17.6 veterans
take their own lives

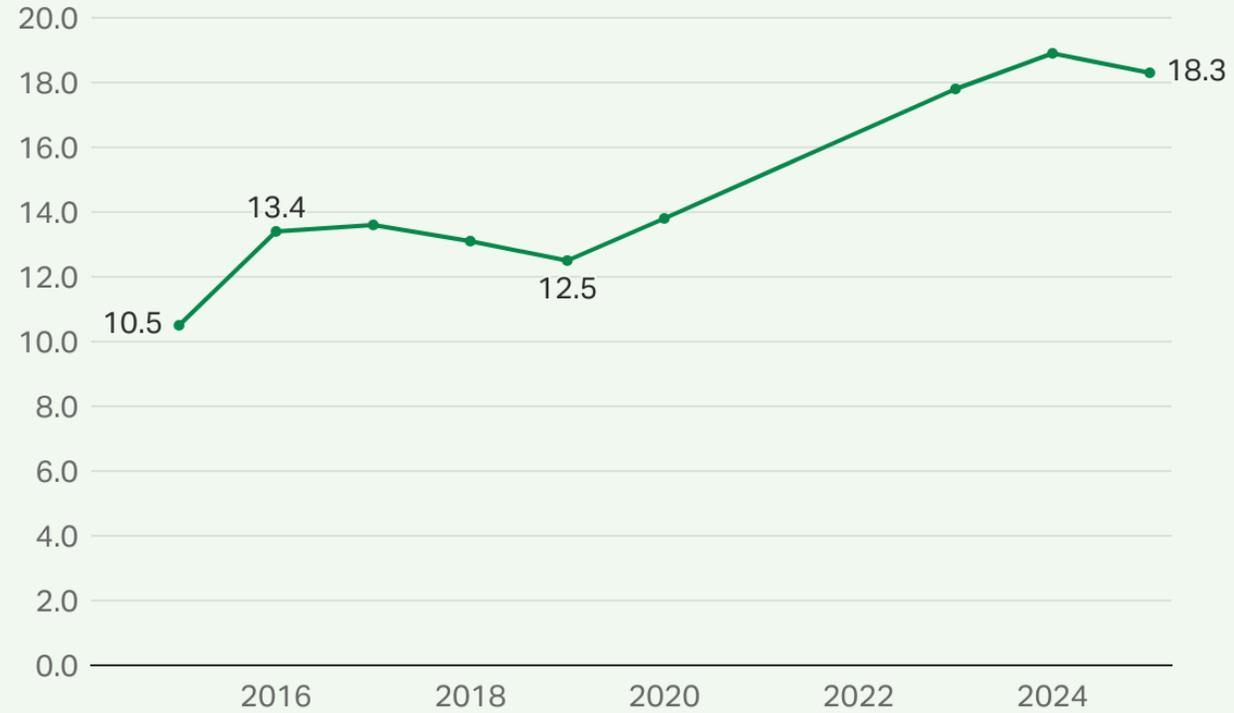
—U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs



U.S. Adult Depression Rate Now Exceeds 18%

Do you currently have or are you currently being treated for depression?

% Yes



Source: Gallup Panel. 2025 results based on n=11,288 randomly selected U.S. adults. Data not available in 2021 and 2022.

GALLUP

Your Low-Hanging Fruit - New Neighbors

There have been 107 new movers within the last 3 months.



Everyone needs to know and be willing to perform emotional first aid.

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Answer the call to be neighborly.

³⁶ Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

³⁷ And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, **Go, and do thou likewise.**

Luke 10:36-37

Answer the call to be *an ambassador*.

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Come unto me, all
ye that labour and
are heavy laden, and
I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

He healeth the
broken in heart, and
bindeth up their
wounds.

Psalms 147:3

Fam Community Health. 2002 Apr;25(1):71-82.

Bereaved parents' use of individual, family, and community resources 4 to 60 months after a child's violent death.

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Abstract

We recruited a community-based sample of 261 parents bereaved by the violent deaths of their 12- to 28-year-old children. Parents were observed over time, and data were collected from several sources. The findings showed that of six individual, family, and community resources examined, none of the resources seemed to improve parents' outcomes either 1 or 5 years later. Implications of the findings are discussed.

Answer the call to be *a burden bearer.*

Bear ye one another's burdens, and
so fulfil the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

Answer the call to go to them.

³³ But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ So he went to him . . .

Luke 10:33-34

The Bystander-Effect: A Meta-Analytic Review on Bystander Intervention in Dangerous and Non-Dangerous Emergencies

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Research on bystander intervention has produced a great number of studies showing that the presence of other people in a critical situation reduces the likelihood that an individual will help. As the last systematic review of bystander research was published in 1981 and was not a quantitative meta-analysis in the modern sense, the present meta-analysis updates the knowledge about the bystander effect and its potential moderators. The present work (a) integrates the bystander literature from the 1960s to 2010, (b) provides statistical tests of potential moderators, and (c) presents new theoretical and empirical perspectives on the novel finding of non-negative bystander effects in certain dangerous emergencies as well as situations where bystanders are a source of physical support for the potentially intervening individual. In a fixed effects model, data from over 7,700 participants and 105 independent effect sizes revealed an overall effect size of $g = -0.35$. The bystander effect was attenuated when situations were perceived as dangerous (compared with non-dangerous), perpetrators were present (compared with non-present), and the costs of intervention were physical (compared with non-physical). This pattern of findings is consistent with the arousal-cost-reward model, which proposes that dangerous emergencies are recognized faster and more clearly as real emergencies, thereby inducing higher levels of arousal and hence more helping. We also identified situations where bystanders provide welcome physical support for the potentially intervening individual and thus reduce the bystander effect, such as when the bystanders were exclusively male, when they were naive rather than passive confederates or only virtually present persons, and when the bystanders were not strangers.

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'The Witness' Looks Back At Those Accused Of Ignoring A Murder

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ELLA TAYLOR

Before we had the Internet to blame for everything, news of the brutal murder of 28-year-old bar manager Kitty Genovese went wide as a parable of urban indifference. Genovese was far from the only woman Winston Moseley, a married father of two, admitted killing. By his own chilling account, Moseley drew no distinction between murder and the routine burglary by which he supplemented his income. The other victims languished in obscurity, while 50 years on, the meaning of Genovese's murder still fuels a gallery of books, movies and television shows, up to and including a recent episode of *Girls*. All this — according to a new documentary by Kitty's younger brother Bill Genovese



Kitty Genovese, who was murdered in 1964.
The Witness Film

I will not leave you
comfortless: I will
come to you.

John 14:18

For it is God which
worketh in you both
to will and to do of his
good pleasure.

Philippians 2:13

What tools do you have? Prayer

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

James 5:16

What tools do you have? *The Word*

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12



“I think I can safely say that the Judeo-Christian Bible is a self-help book that probably enabled more people to make more extensive and intensive personality and behavior changes than all professional therapists combined.”

Albert Ellis⁶⁷

What tools do you have? *Your Words*

Let your speech be always with grace,
seasoned with salt, that ye may know
how ye ought to answer every man.

Colossians 4:6

What tools
do you
have?

Your Actions

¹⁵ If a brother or sister be
naked, and destitute of daily
food, ¹⁶ And one of you say
unto them, Depart in peace, be
ye warmed and filled;
notwithstanding ye give them
not those things which are
needful to the body; what doth
it profit?

James 2:15-16

What tools do you have? *The Church*

²⁴ And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: ²⁵ Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

What tools do you have? *Your Relationships*

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

Proverbs 18:24

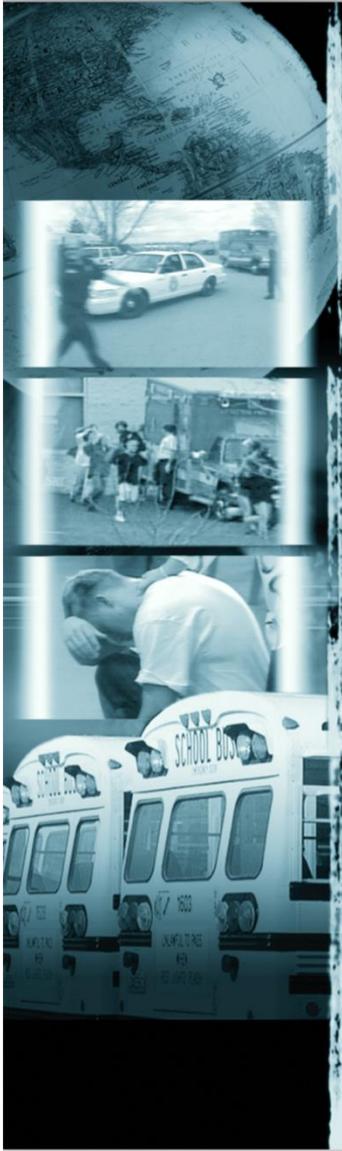
Daily Loneliness Edges Back up to 2021 Levels

Were you lonely a lot of the day yesterday?

% Yes



Source: Gallup Panel



**THE FINAL REPORT AND
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IMPLICATIONS FOR
THE PREVENTION OF
SCHOOL ATTACKS IN
THE UNITED STATES

UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE AND
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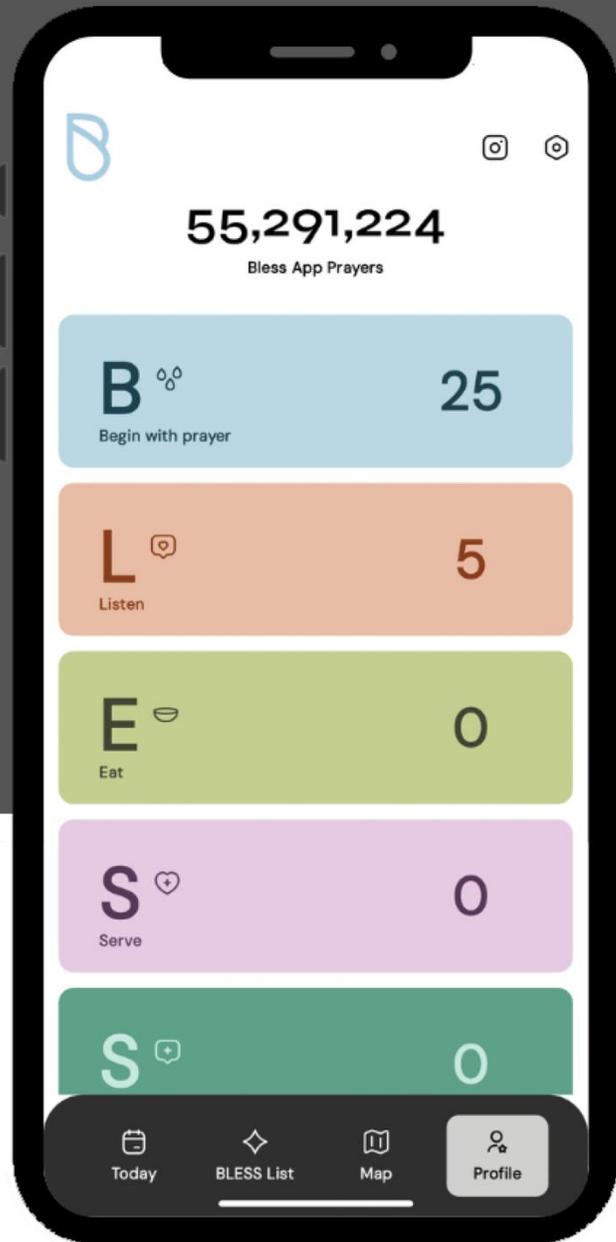
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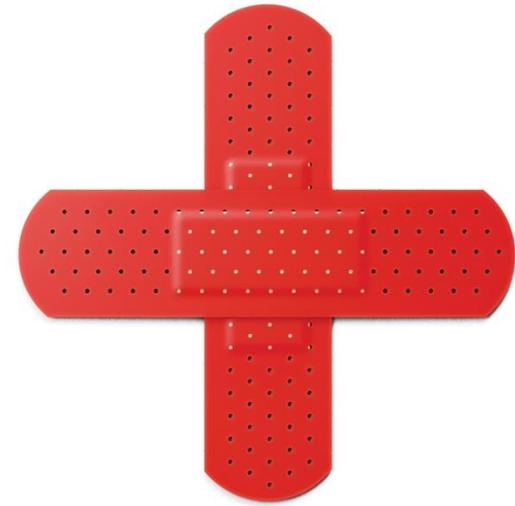


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