LENTEN PRAYER CHAIN

To start, gather five different colors of paper and cut it into strips. Make the strips about 1 1/2" long. Each color needs 10 strips and one color needs 6. I want to include the Sundays of Lent too and take this countdown from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday so that when we get to the last strip, we know that Easter is the next day. Each person can take a color and write 10 people or things you want to pray for. Try to listen to each other and adjust so that you don't have a lot of repeats. To give the littlest ones more ownership, if they cannot write yet let them draw a picture. Then put the strips in a pattern so that everyone's prayer strips are evenly spread out. Next, grab the strips and a stapler and start making loops and stapling them together until there is one long chain with all of your prayer requests. Each day take one piece of the chain off and pray for that person or thing. At the end you will have said 40 prayers!!

