

# Prayer for Trust and Confidence

Lord, you are indeed a God of surprises. I really did not expect to be pregnant this late in life. The gift you have given fills me with mixed feelings, Lord. I am excited, elated, and filled with joy over the prospect of giving birth to a unique image of you. At the same time, I have read and heard about the dangers of becoming pregnant later in life. I am worried and fearful of birth defects, problems carrying our child, and possible other complications that I might face because of my age.

I need to remember that I am not alone, Lord. You are present and love our child more than I could ever imagine. Through the working of your Spirit we have conceived this new life. You are delicately forming the tiny body within me. You have destined my child for an eternity of love and joy with you. Help me overcome the fears that plague me. Allow me to enter this pregnancy with trust and confidence in the power of your faithful love.

The Scriptures are filled with examples of women conceiving and giving birth to children later in life. They all praise and thank you for blessing them in such a marvelous manner. Lord, I give you my body, mind, and spirit. Use them to bring our child to term. Keep before me the realization that this new life will live forever and will be an eternal pledge of your love for me and my response of love to you. Thank you ahead of time for this priceless gift.

AMEN.