

New Year Candle Ritual

Collect nine candles – they can match or be a variety. If you choose to keep it simple, you can place nine birthday candles or tea lights, in a row or a circle, in a dish of sand.

Use the first candle to light the other eight. You can light one a night and let it burn for a time or light them all on one night. Each blessing invoked is unique and equally importance as the others. If any of my affirmation prayers don't resonate for you, I invite you to create your own.

1st Candle – represents me and **my power to be the best version of my Soul Self** that I can in 2022. As I light this candle, I invoke my Soul Self to support my inner growth and to help me to be a beacon of Divine Light – whatever I'm doing and wherever I am this year.

2nd Candle – I light this candle and invoke harmony, justice, and enlightened wisdom to support **all those in positions of authority** here in the United States and throughout all countries.

3rd Candle – I light this candle and ask that **all people of color, all minorities**, everywhere are welcomed, honored, and appreciated for their diversity because those of the majority have opened their own hearts with empathy.

4th Candle – I light this candle for **women, and those who identify as women**. In your honor I ask that all women be appropriately paid for their roles in the home and wherever else employed, and that they are free from all sexual harassment and workplace discrimination.

5th Candle – I light this candle for people of **all sexual orientations** to honor all as respected and valued members of our communities, where diversity is welcomed and appreciated.

6th Candle – I light this candle for **immigrants wherever they may be** to help them find their way to safety, to be warmly welcomed in new lands, quickly assisted to create new homes and lives, where they find appropriate jobs, live with dignity, and educate their children while maintaining their own customs and learning new ones.

7th Candle – I light this candle for **the elderly** who are now seen as respected and valuable resources of wisdom so they receive innovative and loving care and remain integrated into their local communities as much as they desire. I also light this candle for **all with disabilities** so their requirements to navigate this world in a different way can be easily recognized and provided with care and love.

8th Candle – I light this candle for this **wonderful planet Earth** where we are blessed to live at this time. I light it with my love, seeing a world where humanity now works together to take all the positive steps needed to lovingly and wisely restore the earth, water, and sky to what is healthy for all life to thrive.

9th Candle – I light this last candle for **my children and grandchildren, and all children**, who are the ones who will be the future guardians of what we have created. Let them be Divinely Guided and Assisted in all that they do so they can appropriately step into their full power and life missions with grace and ease. Let them be nurtured and cherished by all.