TAKING CARE OF THE CAREGIVER

A HEALTH NUGGET

CAREGIVER BURNOUT



Emotional and physical exhaustion

Withdrawal from friends, family, and other loved ones

Loss of interest in once-enjoyed activities

Helplessness and hopelessness

Changes in appetite and/or weight

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Changes in sleep patterns

Difficulty concentrating

A more frequent occurrence of illness

Irritability, frustration, or anger towards others

(Cleveland Clinic, 2023)

TAKING CARE OF YOURSELF



Give attention to your own personal needs

Get enough sleep

Eat a healthy diet

Exercise regularly

Take guilt-free breaks

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Find self-care activities

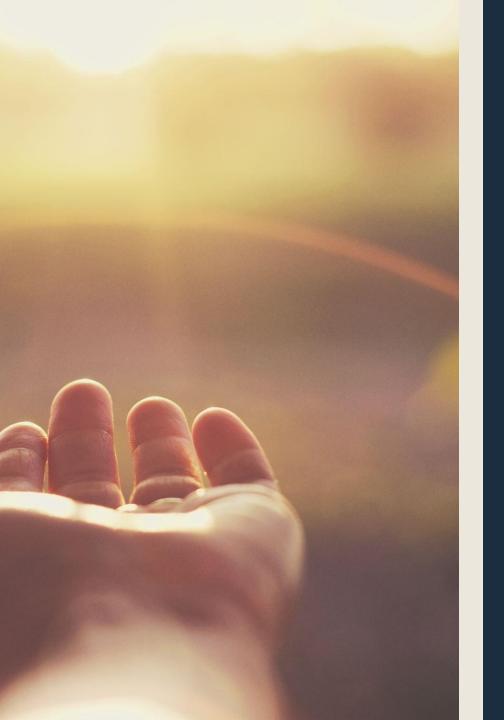
Talk to a trusted friend

Accept help from others

Set goals

Pray

(Family Caregiver Alliance, n.d.)



"Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved." Psalm 55:22

SUPPORTING THE CAREGIVER



Offer emotional and social support

Arrange a time to check in with them

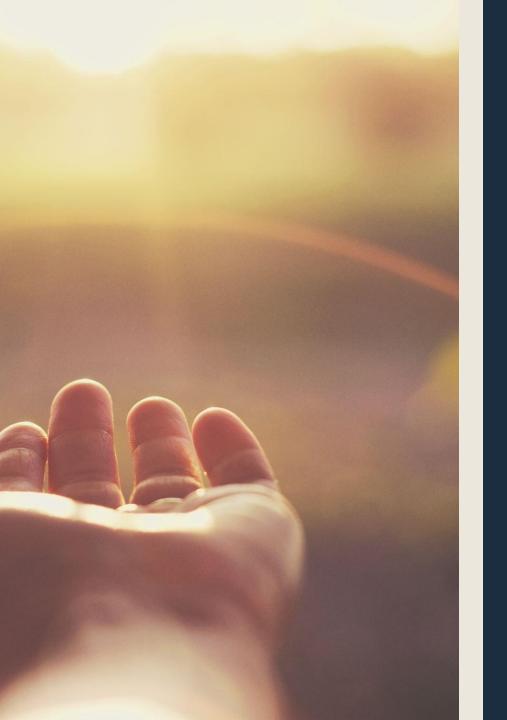
Assist with errands, chores, and other responsibilities

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Check whether they are taking care of their own health concerns

(Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], 2021)



"Whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and specially for those of the family of faith." Galatians 6:10