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God has created all people to be free - moving from darkness to light.

**GLOBAL PRAYER GUIDE** 



## PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF MODERN SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

those still trapped

God of justice, hope and love, Father of the fatherless, defender of the oppressed, our hope for years to come. We believe that it is for freedom that you have set us free, to serve one another through love that we may live in abundance and goodness.

Dear God, In this moment, we stand with our sisters and brothers, men and women, boys and girls who are victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. We know you feel their hurt, fear, excruciating pain, humiliation and all they might be going through, of which we may not be aware.

Lord, we pray that you rescue them from the hands of their oppressors, release them from the clutches of the wicked and by your grace restore their lives and bring them into light. Help them heal, grant them justice and may their traffickers repent and come to know you more. Fill us with your sacred passion and lovethat we may continue to fight for justice.Use us as your tool, to help end this human tragedy.And may your love, embrace and presence never depart from these victims.Hear our cry and prayer, O heavenly Father.

Amen!

Joy Ime-Sunday, Nigeria Territory

#### PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS...BY SURVIVORS

those freed from trafficking

'To all the lost survivors after bondage, don't lose hope; Jesus is faithful to his promises. He heard my cry as a survivor, and because of this, please know you are never alone. Here's our prayer for you.'

'Let my people go!' Survivors of human trafficking are united in prayers for other survivors. We pray for hope and restoration. We hear and feel the cries of survivors. We understand how many have endured much trauma even after slavery.

Lord, hear their cries for inner peace. We come before you as broken-hearted people. We cry out for healing for other survivors dealing with wounds that are too pervasive to heal on their own. Heal the survivor from the ache of the memories of flashbacks.

Trustworthy and compassionate God, hear their cries in the prayer to restore these wounded souls' ability to trust that people can be good, loving and kind. We pray that you restore relationships that can help the survivor to reconnect with friends and family, replace anxiety and depression with hope, and deem survivors worthy.

Malaika Oringo, The Netherlands, Czech Republic and Slovakia Territory

# 'To all the lost survivors after bondage, **don't lose hope**; Jesus is faithful to his promises'

#### PRAYER FOR RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Dear God of Justice,

We hear the cries of people trapped in incidences of modern slavery and exploitation.

We are overwhelmed, dismayed and desperate for justice for the defenceless, the exploited and the forgotten.

God of light, we ask for your immediate justice for all those trapped in modern slavery and exploitation.

We desire justice. We pray for reconciliation for the wrongs the perpetrators have done, and may you pierce their hearts with your righteous illumination and help them to humbly repent and turn from their wicked ways.

We pray that perpetrators will turn themselves to the task of helping to prevent others from participating in the victimisation of humankind.

We so pray.

Amen!

Emmanuel Wataka, Uganda Territory

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### PRAYER FOR GLOBAL MODERN SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESPONSE EFFORTS

Father God, just as with the Israelites thousands of years ago, we pray with confidence at this moment knowing you will hear our cries, especially for justice for those wronged by sexual exploitation and forced labour.

For the oppressed and destitute experiencing darkness, we ask that you shine as the light of hope and peace. Please break the chains of those who bind others in slavery and poverty, that all of God's children would experience the blessings of freedom and the opportunity to live a valued and healthy life.

Lord, we ask that you give strength to those courageous souls who work with victims and survivors of sexual exploitation and forced labour. Encourage them in their spirit, heart and body, and provide these workers with the resources they need to support those inflicted by the injustices of the world.

We thank you, Lord, that you are the God who hears us, El Roi. May our hearts join in one accord as we lift our voices praying for freedom and justice for all.

Lord, thank you for hearing our cries.

Amen!

Commissioner Shelley Hill, World Secretary for Women's Ministries

'Please **break the chains** of those who bind others in slavery and poverty'

#### ALLY COMMITMENT PRAYER

I hear the cries of daughters and sons beyond the dark; trafficked and enslaved for the profit of others.

#### I stand with you.

I see the next generation of vulnerable children targeted for the benefit of worldly pleasures.

#### I will fight for you.

I stand with front-line practitioners, advocating for the freedom of victims of oppression and walking alongside survivors.

#### I acknowledge you.

I lament for the ways I have knowingly and unknowingly contributed to modern slavery and human trafficking through my ignorance, my privilege and my spending power.

#### I refuse to be blind.

May my prayers and those of your people turn into action as we fight against injustice together.

#### We are not free until we all experience light.

Jean Nangwala, USA Western Territory

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