



**PRAY  
AND ACT  
FOR  
PEACE**



### **A prayer for the people of Congo and for us**

God of the church universal,  
We lift up our Christian brothers and sisters in Congo to you.  
Amid a lush, tropical environment, daily living is hard.  
Give them patience and persistence,  
As they seek to provide for their families.

We thank you for opportunities to meet with church leaders in Congo  
As we seek to build trust and stronger relationships  
Between the churches in our two countries.

Send your Spirit to encourage and nourish our efforts  
To increase the unity of the body of Christ among us.

In Congo and the United States, our desire is to support each other  
And to be part of your global church.  
As part of your body, help us to see where you are working among us.  
Strengthen our commitment and give us joy as we follow you together.

AMEN.

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