



**PRAY  
AND ACT  
FOR  
PEACE**



## Praying for Peace for Refugees

As they face this day, O God, find those who are lost, separated from those they love, crossing unknown borders, without a country or home, not knowing where to turn. Find them, O God, who always seeks for the lost, and cover them safely as a hen covers her chickens.

As they face this day, O God, stand among the ones in refugee camps around the world, in the hunger and despair, in the crowds and the emptiness, in the wet and the thirstiness. Be their hope and their strength in the crying out for justice, and open the ears of the world to hear their cries.

As they face this day, O God, may those who live with us, uprooted from their homelands, find a new home where their history is respected, their gifts and graces celebrated, and their fear departed from them. May we be their home; may we be the ones who open our hearts in welcome.

As we face this day, O God, sing to us your song of encouragement; paint for us your bright pictures of a new world where people need not flee from wars and oppression, where no one lacks a country or a home, and where we are all part of your new creation. For we long to be your people, in spirit and truth.

We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ, who knew the life of a refugee.

Amen.

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