



Prayer Resources

"No one should be obliged to flee their country. But the wrong is doubled when the migrant is forced into the hands of people traffickers in order to cross borders; and tripled when they reach the land they thought would give them a better future, only to find themselves despised, exploited, abandoned, or enslaved. We need to welcome, promote, protect, and integrate those who come in search of better lives for themselves and their families"

- Pope Francis, Let Us Dream

Prayer for an End to Human Trafficking

Oh God, we didn't see them.
But you did-
The hundreds and thousands of human beings
Trafficked each year to join the millions who are
trapped in modern-day slavery.
Under terrible conditions,
they work in factories, plow fields,
harvest crops, work quarries, fill brothels, clean
homes and haul water.

Many are children
with tiny fingers for weaving rugs
and small shoulders for bearing rifles.
Their labor is forced, their bodies beaten,
their faces hidden
from those who don't really want to see them.

But you see them all, God of the poor.
You hear their cry and you answer
by opening our eyes, and breaking our hearts
and loosening our tongues to insist:

No más. No more.

Amen.

-Prayer written by Catholic Relief Services

Prayer for Justice and Hope

God of Compassion and Hope:
We pray for all who are trafficked.
We pray for those living in situations
where their innate dignity is not respected.
We pray for women and girls
whose human rights are disregarded.

We pray for those who are in bonded labour
or sold into domestic or sexual servitude.
Fill each of them with courage and strength
to reach out for help.

Fill us with your compassionate love to
respond fully.
Give us strength,
give us courage and energy
to work for change and to confront
the great injustices created by trafficking.

God of Life - Give us hope!