

PRAYER FOR AN END TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING



O GOD, our words cannot express what our minds can barely comprehend and our hearts feel when we hear of children and adults deceived and transported to unknown places for purposes of sexual exploitation and forced labor because of human greed.

Our hearts are saddened and our spirits angry that their dignity and rights are being transgressed through threats, deception and force. We cry out against the degrading practice of trafficking and pray for it to end.

Strengthen the fragile-spirited and broken-hearted. Make real your promises to fill these our sisters and brothers with a love that is tender and good and send the exploiters away empty-handed.

Give us the wisdom and courage to stand in solidarity with them, that together we will find ways to the freedom that is your gift to all of us. Amen.

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Human Trafficking is the recruiting, harboring, moving, or obtaining of a person(s) by the use of force, fraud, or coercion, for the purposes of involuntary servitude, debt bondage, slavery, or the sex trade. Trafficked persons can be men, women, and children of varying ages and levels of education and ethnicity. People are trafficked for domestic service, commercial sexual exploitation, marriage, factory work, begging, agricultural labor, restaurant work, construction, janitorial work, and other forms of informal labor. **If you suspect someone is a victim of trafficking, please call the Trafficking Information and Referral Hotline at 1.888.373.7888.**

Web sites: www.acf.hhs.gov/trafficking/
www.usccb.org/mrs/traffickingweb.shtml
www.stophumantraffic.org
www.justice.gc.ca
www.ssnd.org



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