

A Thankful Prayer

*Thank you for the world we live in.
Thank you for the food we eat.
Thank you for the love you give us;
sharing love is such a treat!
Help us when we're sad or lonely;
when we're hurting hold us tight.
Teach us there is joy in giving;
and in helping stop a fight.
Remind us we are some of many
in the world that you have made;
all of us with needs and wishes,
and hope for living unafraid.
You have made us in your image
more alike than not the same;
you have given us your message;
made us servants in your name.*

This week, pray for:

- the **COVID-19 pandemic**. Help all of us do all we can to keep each other as safe as we can. Pray for those working on vaccines & treatments. There has been hopeful news about vaccines this week, but experts say masks, avoiding large indoor gatherings, & social distancing will still be essential for some time since the vaccines should keep people from getting sick, but will not prevent people from getting infected or passing the virus to others. Also, a vaccine approved for children is still many months away. Remember those who are caring for the sick & the dying.
- **Nigeria** where a car accident took the lives of 7 people. 3 of them were pregnant mothers on the way to pick up their other children from a school in Benin where some 4,000 displaced children are hosted. Remember their children and all others displaced from their homes and families.
- **those dealing with storms, fires, flooding, earthquakes, & other disasters**
 - Fires are growing worse & fire seasons longer around the world. Places where these climate fires continue to burn. Help people be more careful since most fires have human causes.
 - The people of Central America including especially Nicaragua, Honduras, & Guatemala trying to recover from both hurricanes Eta & Lota while also dealing with the pandemic.
- **The people of the Tigray region of Ethiopia** where violence is approaching a civil war. The conflict is at a critical stage this week



*We are all your sons and daughters;
all of us with gifts to share.
When we listen to your teaching;
and strive to live by your Good Word,
we can make the whole world better
for all people everywhere.
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