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Open our hearts, our eyes and our minds. Move us to love as you love. Lead us to speak and act as you would speak and act. Help us to be as forgiving as we want to be forgiven. Amen

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Those affected by the On-going Mis-treatment of Children & <u>parents</u> by immigration authorities at The U.S. Border. Many of these families are fleeing violence & persecution in Central America. Their safety is not certain if they returned to their place of origin. Immigration authorities continue to coerce or trick people into denying they have legitimate asylum claims. Many children remain separated from their parents and have not been returned to them.

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