



HUMAN TRAFFICKING

What should I pray for?

Use these prayer requests as you pray individually, in small groups, or as a larger congregation.

Pray for increased awareness about human trafficking in Canada and around the world.

- that persons who are trafficked will be recognized as human beings who have been exploited and are in need of compassion
- that the issue will receive more media attention
- that more people will learn to recognize the signs of human trafficking
- that consumers will seek out Fair Trade products and avoid products made in sweat shops or by forced labour

Pray for those who are vulnerable to being trafficked:

- that poverty, racism, and sexism will be alleviated
- that orphans, widows, migrants, refugees, and runaways will be provided with social support
- that families will protect their vulnerable members, not exploit them or allow others to exploit them for profit

Pray that persons who are trafficked will find a way out.

- that women and girls especially will escape their situations
- that social and economic resources will be made available to those who escape
- for an increase in aftercare facilities for trafficked persons
- that addictions will be treated and managed effectively
- that families will welcome those who escape, rather than shun or shame them
- that emotional and spiritual healing will take place
- that those who escape will recognize themselves as persons with dignity

Pray that the criminal justice system will be diligent in prosecuting human trafficking offences.

- that trafficked persons and witnesses will have the courage to testify in court against traffickers
- that sentences for traffickers will be appropriate to the crime committed
- that criminal trafficking rings will be exposed and brought to justice
- that Canada will adopt an effective strategy against human trafficking

Pray for perpetrators of human trafficking.

- that they will turn away from the exploitation of other human beings for profit
- that sex for purchase and the sexual exploitation of women and children will become socially unacceptable in Canada and around the world
- that all people will recognize that each human being has dignity

Pray that slavery will be abolished!