



# STEP UP AND PRAY

31 Days of Prayer for Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking

*"There is absolutely no victory against the evil of human trafficking without prayer. No laws, no governments, no intervention strategy, no unique logo, no passionate speech, no documentary will ever defeat the evil manifestation of human trafficking without prayer being our foundation." (MOORE, MORGAN, & MCOWEN-YIM, 2022, P. 162)*

## 1: Current Victims of Human Trafficking

- Safety and protection
- Access to resources to assist with exit
- Connections with people to walk alongside
- Emotional, physical and spiritual healing

## 2: Teachers and Guidance Counsellors

- Increased knowledge of MSHT, violence against women, gender equality and social justice
- Ability to spot the signs, vulnerabilities and barriers to support
- Empower young people toward healthy relationships

## 3: Immigrants

- Accessible protections
- Meaningful employment, free of racism and discrimination
- Affordable housing
- Community support
- Belonging

## 4: Indigenous Communities

- Safety and protection
- Healing of inter-generational trauma
- Community support
- Increased value of women and girls in our country
- Meaningful strides toward reconciliation

## 5: Policy Makers and Government

- Policies that protect victims
- Policies that value youth
- Policies that are fair for temporary foreign workers
- Government unity on social justice issues

## 6: Traffickers and Exploiters

- Blockades for businesses
- Compassion and change of heart
- Prosecution and conviction
- Blind them to those most vulnerable
- Eradicate the use of drugs, violence, coercion and intimidation

## 7: Foster Care Homes

- Safety and protection
- Equipped foster parents
- Places of caring and belonging
- Healing for children from trauma

## 8: Temporary Foreign Workers

- Safety and protection
- Fair work and pay
- Awareness of rights
- Access to services
- Meaningful employment, free of racism and discrimination

## 9: Missing Indigenous Women

- Healing for families
- Prioritization of search
- Search resources
- Women to be found
- Protection for those at risk

## 10: Shelters Supporting MSHT Survivors

- Trauma-informed perspective
- Safety and protection of survivors and staff
- Ability to offer multiple services to establish healthy futures
- Necessary resources

## 11: NGO's Serving Those at Risk and Survivors

- Trauma-informed perspective
- Necessary resources
- Protection for those with lived experience doing response work

## 12: Refugees

- Safety and protection
- Meaningful employment, free of racism and discrimination
- Affordable housing
- Community support
- Belonging

## 13: Police Services

- Safety and protection
- Trauma-informed perspective and approach
- Enforce all laws that protect victims
- Direction for investigations
- Funding for mental health teams

## 14: Children's Aid Societies

- Discernment
- Adequate resources
- Empowerment and healing of parents and caregivers
- Increased knowledge of MSHT
- MSHT prevention initiatives

## 15: Salvation Army Leadership

- Prioritizing time and resources for MSHT response work
- Adequate resources
- Positive use of influence
- Safety/protection for those in MSHT response work

## 16: Affordable Housing Crisis

- Safe and affordable housing
- Sex and forced labour will not be traded for housing
- Government solutions to the housing crisis

<p><b>17: Youth Pastors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased MSHT knowledge</li> <li>• Empower young people to recognize unhealthy relationships and to stand up for social justice</li> <li>• Provide places of belonging and support</li> </ul>	<p><b>18: Online and Digital Media Safety</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protection of youth and children</li> <li>• Decrease ease of access</li> <li>• Block online deceptions</li> <li>• Parental online safety awareness</li> <li>• Awareness of God’s love and view of humanity in contrast to the many online voices</li> </ul>	<p><b>19: Survivors of Trauma</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing healing and receiving of trauma-informed care</li> <li>• Stop the cycle of trauma</li> <li>• Healthy coping strategies</li> <li>• Awareness of their strengths, bravery and purpose</li> </ul>	<p><b>20: Anti-Human Trafficking Initiatives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direction for next steps</li> <li>• Networking and unity</li> <li>• Safety and protection</li> <li>• Adequate resources</li> <li>• Success of initiative</li> </ul>
<p><b>21: People Experiencing Forced Marriage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protection of youth and children</li> <li>• Cultural awareness</li> <li>• Voices of victims to be heard</li> <li>• Victims will have awareness of rights</li> </ul>	<p><b>22: Pornography and Sexual Addiction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Block access</li> <li>• Realization of wrongs and harms caused</li> <li>• Realization of its effects on relationships and view of women</li> <li>• Total healing from addiction</li> </ul>	<p><b>23: International Social Justice Advocates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaboration between countries</li> <li>• Border protection</li> <li>• Advocate for those experiencing vulnerabilities: war, poverty and natural disaster</li> </ul>	<p><b>24: MSHT Awareness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognize that it happens here, in communities large and small</li> <li>• We would learn to spot the signs, methods and understand the risks</li> <li>• Openness to discussions</li> <li>• Awareness of the need to teach younger audiences</li> </ul>
<p><b>25: Prevention Measures</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase effectiveness</li> <li>• Eliminate MSHT in all its forms</li> <li>• Increase receptivity of school boards, churches and government</li> <li>• Prevent the grooming of young people</li> <li>• Enable people to spot the signs and risks and address them</li> </ul>	<p><b>26: Justice System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforce laws and improve fair sentencing</li> <li>• Success of and expansion of sex-buyer accountability programs</li> <li>• Improve restorative justice efforts</li> <li>• Prevent revictimization</li> </ul>	<p><b>27: Local Churches</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reach youth in church and community</li> <li>• Increase sense of belonging</li> <li>• Be a supportive and safe place</li> <li>• Inspire programs that empower</li> <li>• Increase knowledge of MSHT signs, risks and methods</li> </ul>	<p><b>28: People with Neurodiversities and Disabilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety and protection</li> <li>• Increase awareness of risk</li> <li>• Safely build healthy relationships</li> <li>• Meaningful work free from discrimination</li> </ul>
<p><b>29: People Facing Financial Instability</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eliminate the need for people to trade sex or forced labour to meet their basic needs</li> <li>• The need to choose between basic needs will not be necessary</li> <li>• Relief from debt bondage</li> </ul>	<p><b>30: After School and Camp Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety and protection</li> <li>• Programs that empower and support children and youth</li> <li>• Increase knowledge of MSHT</li> <li>• Enable staff to spot signs and risks</li> <li>• Participants will feel valued and safe</li> </ul>	<p><b>31: Church Prayer Initiatives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Churches recognize the power of prayer</li> <li>• Protection from the evil one</li> <li>• Reveal role of every Christian</li> <li>• Heart for survivors and those at risk</li> <li>• Church to prevent, protect and advocate</li> </ul>	<div data-bbox="1591 1273 1734 1414" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><b>Prayer Companion</b></p> <p>We have created a Prayer Companion resource to help you pray through each day. Scan the QR code to download it.</p>