



A liturgy for the Middle East

Let's cry out for peace for this region and commit to the Lord in prayer those who are seeking Jesus. As Christians, we all share the call to go and make disciples (Matthew 28:18–20). Let's stand in the gap for women in the Middle East who are living out this calling, and often paying a very high price to do so.

The very region in which Jesus was born and lived among us has known so much turmoil and tragedy. Only you, Lord, can bring true peace.

Your kingdom come.

Across the Middle East, women and men are hungering for God, searching for Jesus. Let their hunger be satisfied.

Your kingdom come.

Raise up more women and men to humbly and faithfully share your love and light to people near and far.

Your kingdom come.

Where people are surrounded by chaos, tension, war and suffering, let them turn to you.

Where people are asking questions about Jesus, let them find answers.

Where there is turmoil, bring your peace.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

As we celebrate Christmas, help us to remember our shared call to make disciples.

Jesus, as we celebrate your birth, bring more people into your kingdom. Amen.