

Prayer Diary: People forced to flee

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A woman and children walk near tents in a refugee camp in Idlib, Syria. CREDIT: Ahmed Akacha, Pexels.

Key date – 20 June: World Refugee Day

Very few safe routes exist for refugees or those seeking asylum, and IDPs generally fare little better.

Use these scriptures to pray for those who have been forced to flee, including because of their religion or belief. You could say a simple prayer like this:

*“Lord Jesus, your word says **[say the scripture out loud]**. Would you provide **[insert need]** for those who are asylum seekers, refugees or IDPs today. Amen.”*

Hope

‘But God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish.’ (Psalm 9:18) Rest and guidance ‘He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name’s sake.’ (Psalm 23:3)

Hospitality and provision

“Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?” (Matthew 6:26)

Justice

‘Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.’ (Isaiah 42:1 ESV)

Healing and strength

‘I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak...’ (Ezekiel 34:16a ESV)

Love and protection

‘Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?’ (Romans 8:35)

Peace

‘I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.’ (John 16:33)