

A Prayer for the Child, 20th of November!

Lord of Life, may our children be as You desire!

Through our FAITH, help us to seek dignity and quality of life for the children of our community, our city, our country and the world.

Lord, in many places the idolatry of wealth is a threat to peace. Our planet is more exploited and contaminated every day, and children are the first ones to suffer when the lack of consideration for others takes over in the heart of the people. Give us courage to change this history!

Help us fight against the causes that promote impoverishment, injustice and the oppression of children and their families. Make us stronger to impede the exploitation of girls and boys, forced to work and to become involved themselves with drugs, to sleep and to wake up with hunger and thirst, without a school for study, a safe place to play, and dying from causes that could be prevented.

We seek the well-being of the child and respect for children's rights. We will protect the child during all its life, which is sacred. May Your Spirit illuminate us to care for the child from the womb of the mother, and to guarantee the rights of citizenship, vaccines and breastfeeding, adequate food, clean water, and the opportunity to develop fully.

Lord of Life, together with our children, in one voice, we give thanks for the goodness of many people of good will. You are our power, which strengthens us to build a world where the child can have life and have it in abundance!

Amen!