



Prayer Support for the Moravian Day of Service

The Daily Text for Sunday, September 15, 2019

Watchword for the Week: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51.17

Daily Watchword: I love, O Lord, my strength. Psalm 18.1

Doctrinal Text: A woman in the city, who was a sinner, began to bathe Jesus' feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Luke 7.37-38

Prayer: Lord, you are our refuge and our strength—our salvation. May we show our gratitude and our love for you as freely and as sincerely as the one who bathed your feet with her tears.

Donor of our Days, we thank you for trusting us with so much. You surround us with your Creation. You embrace us with your salvation. You consecrate and bless the labor of our hands and hearts. Joyfully, we acknowledge you as the Source of all that was, all that is, and all that will be.

On this day set aside to serve others, we pray for the work of our own congregation:

Blessed be the soup makers,

Blessed be the tree planters,

Blessed be the doll sewers,

Blessed be the house fixers,

Blessed be the prayer providers,

May they know the power of your Spirit as they serve you this day.

Across North America, this day, laborers for your Kingdom reach out to neighbor and neighborhood, sharing, caring, housing, clothing. We offer this sacrifice of worship in the loving name of the Compassionate Christ. We hope these moments dedicated to you will tangibly demonstrate faith, love, and hope.

We pray for our brothers and sisters who labor in:

Alberta, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Wisconsin.

In the awareness that we are part of a global community, we raise up before our sisters and brothers who serve you and your church, wherever it stands. We pray especially for the servants who devote themselves to sharing your love at the Star Mountain Rehabilitation Center; Moravian Church of Western Tanzania and the work the 'Mamas' do with orphans; the Moravian Medical Clinic in Ahuas, Honduras. These are but a few of the extraordinary efforts people of faith have undertaken in your name.

We pray for all who labor for justice and mercy—whoever they are, wherever they are—may your Spirit bless and multiply the efforts of all who work, play, and pray for your Kingdom. Amen.