

## PRAYER FOR WORLD REFUGEE DAY

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Jesus,

You and your family were refugees in Egypt, escaping violence and hardship. Open our hearts to the plight of refugees and displaced persons.

Grant us the grace to support the work of agencies like Canadian Lutheran World Relief who provide care to those in camps, waiting and wanting to go home.

Grant us the hospitality and welcome to receive refugees into our churches and communities through sponsorship programs.

Grant us the courage to advocate with government for more open and generous policies toward refugees. All these things we pray in your holy name.

Amen.