

# A call to prayer



Thank you for downloading our prayer resource. We would like to use this opportunity to introduce you to one of our key areas of work, modern slavery. The Salvation Army seeks justice for all people who face exploitation and abuse every day, as well as those who are at risk or recovering.

## A call to prayer for the protection of rights for survivors of Modern Slavery

You may be aware that politicians are currently debating new legislation in parliament that, if passed, will have a significant impact on those who are trafficked to the United Kingdom and exploited in slave-like conditions. At this crucial moment we invite you to stand together in prayer for both victims of modern slavery and political leaders as they deliberate.

### The Illegal Migration Bill

We are making this call to prayer now because we are concerned that the Illegal Migration Bill will have a devastating impact on victims of modern slavery. At present, all victims of modern slavery are entitled to specialist support and assistance in helping them recover. This bill will remove that right for thousands who have found themselves being tricked, traded and trapped through no fault of their own. Right now, politicians are considering all aspects of the bill in parliament. We, therefore, join together to pray for justice and righteousness.



'Let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!' (Amos 5:24)

### Please pray for:

- Women, men and children who have been trafficked and enslaved for the profit of others. May they be set free and granted justice and peace.
- Those who are at risk of being tricked and coerced into slavery. May they find help and protection in their time of need.
- All those who walk alongside survivors, offering love, care and advocacy. May they be strengthened and empowered in their service.
- Politicians in parliament. May they have boldness, wisdom and compassion as they make decisions that will affect the most vulnerable people arriving on our shores.
- Ourselves. May we use our power and position to fight injustice, work for reconciliation in our world and turn our prayer into action.

# A moment of prayer and light



We would like to invite you to join in a corporate moment of prayer at a critical point when the Illegal Migration Bill is being debated in parliament. On Wednesday 12 July we ask you to join with others by lighting a candle in your home and praying this prayer:

God of power and light  
Today we cry out for those trafficked and enslaved.  
Come with your justice,  
Come with your righteousness,  
and set your children free.  
May your compassion and mercy  
guide those who govern,  
your wisdom and boldness  
fill all who seek to lead.  
And may we, who love you, be stirred into action  
to seek your kingdom,  
on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Find out more about The Salvation Army's response to the Illegal Migration Bill and particular action that you can take to protect survivor's rights: [salvationarmy.org.uk/protect-survivors-rights](https://salvationarmy.org.uk/protect-survivors-rights)