## for the rebuilding of devastated cities



**Thursday** March 26

Wednesday March 25



for the homecoming of many prodigals

Lift up your eves round about and see.

They all gather together, they come to you.

Your sons will come from afar, and your daughters will be carried in the arms. Then you will see and be radiant, and your heart will thrill and reioice... - Isaiah 60:4-5

We await Your promise that many lost sons and daughters will be called back home. We have kept watch with those who are bereft of loved ones. We have grown weary in the watching for signs of their return. But if You lift our hearts, we will lift our eyes in hope. Your voice can summon them home from self-imposed exile. We pray for an early sign of this end-time homecoming to be seen in our broken homes. We mention the names of prodigal children, and even runaway wives and husbands. Bring them home to You. Carry them on Your shoulders. Gather our families again. Reconcile children to their parents. Heal our marriages. Fill our homes with Your abiding presence.

So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. - Luke 15:20

Call our wayward children home. Give them the yearning and resolve to return to You and to their families. Pray:

- for prodigals to begin their journey home to God.
- for Christians to show God's compassion to those who have broken fellowship with God, and to welcome them home.

And the LORD will continually quide you, and satisfy your desire in scorched places... You will be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters do not fail.... You will rebuild the ancient ruins...You will be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of the streets in which to dwell. - Isaiah 58:11-12

Our cities are blighted by broken relationships, bringing either endless enmity or dismal apathy. Deeds of kindness seem to be wasted, as if we are planting gardens in dry sand dunes. Come upon us, mighty Creator. Open springs in our souls, coursing with the life-bringing power of the Resurrected One. Stir us to yearn again for a transformed city. Bring on the long-promised generation who will be honored to become rebuilders of broken relationships. Heal what is shattered. Clear away the rubble. Remake the spiritual foundations so that our city becomes known as a place where families and many peoples flourish, a place where You will be delighted to dwell.

Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace be to this house." If a man of peace is there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. - Luke 10:5-6

Raise up people of peace. Enable them to lead others who learn to love and grow in Your ways. May they become foundations of a renewed city. Prav:

- for Christ to establish embassies of His peace and His kingdom in every neighborhood of our city.
- for influential men and women to become dedicated Christ followers.

Blessed are all who fear the LORD, who walk in His ways. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours.

– Psalm 128:1-2 NIV

## Seeking God for...Laborers

Pray that God will reveal the dignity and honor of doing work as unto Christ; that workplaces would be a setting of safety, joy and friendship; for workers to be treated with justice and dignity; for continued employment in the changing global economy;

for many to follow Christ and serve Him openly in the workplace with co-laborers.

Prayerwalk: Find a way to walk and pray near a factory, construction site or another place of industry.

## Seeking God for... Homeless People

Pray for immediate relief, shelter, **Prayerwalk:** Visit a place food and health care: that Christ will restore hope for the future; for wise counsel and trustworthy friendships; for protection from the risks of life on the streets; for employment, housing and restored family life.

where homeless people seek shelter or employment. Pray God's blessing on people you see who appear to be homeless.

But He lifted the needy out of their affliction and increased their families like flocks.

Psalm 107:41 NIV

