



Global Ministries

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WORSHIP LITANY

Join people of faith worldwide in a unified moment of prayer for peace in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. This guide offers a one-minute prayer and pastoral script to help congregations lift up Congo in worship.



Sample 1:

Interfaith Litany for the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Leader:

In the heart of the Congo, where rivers flow and forests stand tall,
We witness the pain of suffering, injustice, and violence.

People:

We lift up our voices in prayer, seeking mercy for the oppressed.

Leader:

For the children robbed of their innocence,
For the women scarred by conflict,
For communities torn apart by war and greed,

People:

We cry out for justice to break the chains of oppression.

Leader:

Where greed fuels the mines and blood stains the earth,
Where silence hides the cries of the forgotten,

People:

We commit ourselves to action, that peace may reign and life be restored.

Leader:

May mercy soften hardened hearts,
May courage inspire those who work for peace,
May hope rise amid despair.

People:

We stand united in prayer and purpose,
To bring healing, justice, and righteousness to the Congo.

Leader:

Let our faith guide us beyond words to deeds,
Let our prayers become actions of compassion and change.

People:

With justice as our foundation and mercy as our path,
We pledge ourselves to peace and the dignity of all people.

Leader:

In the name of the One who hears every cry,
We offer our prayers and our hands to build a better future.

People:

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Sample 2:

Leader:

In the heart of the Congo, where rivers run deep,

People:

We cry out for justice, we shout, we speak.

Leader:

In lands torn by violence, where children suffer still,

People:

We seek mercy and healing, to restore every ill.

Leader:

Amidst the shadows of war, where hope is often thin,

People:

We offer our prayer, that peace may enter in.

Leader:

For the stolen lives and dreams, for the multitude of cries,

People:

We vow action and courage, to open blinded eyes.

Leader:

In the face of despair, we stand united and strong,

People:

We will reclaim the future, right the ancient wrong.

Leader:

By truth and by love, may justice be restored,

People:

With mercy and prayer, we raise our hearts to the Lord.

Leader:

Let the Congo rise again, from suffering and strife,

People:

And let us walk together, toward a new life.

Sample 3:

Interfaith Litany for the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Leader:

In the heart of Africa, where rivers flow and forests breathe,
there is pain and suffering that calls to our souls.

People:

We hear the cries, we see the tears—
we **PRAY** for justice and mercy to rise.

Leader:

For the children torn from their homes, for the families shattered,
for the land scarred by violence and greed, we raise our voices.

People:

We **PRAY** for healing, for peace, for hope to be restored.

Leader:

For those who exploit the earth's riches, turning blessing into curse,
for the innocent caught in the crossfire, we ask for courage.

People:

We **ACT** with boldness and compassion, standing for justice and truth.

Leader:

May our prayers move beyond words, our faith into deeds,
to shelter the vulnerable, to defend the oppressed.

People:

We **ACT** to reclaim dignity, to restore lives and communities.

Leader:

Let mercy be the foundation of our response, justice the goal of our labor,
and peace the fruit of our unity.

People:

We **PRAY**, we **ACT**, we **RECLAIM** a future where all are free from war and injustice.

Leader:

Together, across faiths and nations, we lift our hearts,
to bind wounds, to break chains, to rebuild hope.

People:

We **PRAY** for strength, we **ACT** with resolve, we **RECLAIM** what is rightfully human.

Leader:

May this litany be a call to conscience and a pledge to action for the Democratic Republic
of the Congo.

People:

Amen.