

Prayers for the Church in Disaster Recovery – Turkey and Syria

Day 1 or all days if you choose.

Our land is thirsty, it is filled with wounds.

The flood of your love will heal her,

The touch of your hand will fix and restore it back to Yourself.

This is Our Hope, In You, Our Lord.

This is a Daily Prayer / Song from a Christian Church meeting in darkness without power. They use their cell phone flashlights.

Day 2

Lord hear our prayer; That survivors would be quickly rescued, and for all emergency and medical staff. You are the God who knows the way out of the grave Lord. We pray for those who are trapped underground, for your miraculous presence to sustain and rescue them from darkness. In their fear Lord grant them your presence beyond the natural world, that they may know your tender care in this time. Rescue O Lord, those from the danger of the pit of despair. In Jesus Name, Amen

Day 3

Lord hear our prayer; For the church and rescue partners in Christ to be beacons of hope, and equipped to help their communities. Lord as supplies run scarce, we pray you open borders and lanes of shipping to expedite the resources needed to heal, care and sustain those in such horrible loss. You are the Light of the world Lord, bring the light of sustenance to dispel the darkness of despair. Lift the restrictions that prevent the flow of all kinds of care. Break the bonds of slowness and bring the speed of your will to those who help. In Jesus Name, Amen

Day 4

Lord hear our prayer; For all who mourn to be comforted. Loss is difficult O Lord, but loss without your Spirit is deeply bitter, solitary, and dark. There are wounds too deep to understand on the hearts of so many now God. Thank you that your presence is not limited to only a few, but to all who call upon your name in that hour. We pray that beyond your care for those who call upon

your name, that you would envelop those who do not know you as well. Lord bring comfort to them in both the uniqueness of your presence and the Good news of your saving Son. Weave into those hearts, the gift of comfort and faith in you by your will. In Jesus Name, Amen

Day 5

Lord hear our prayer; For the rebuilding of your church. Lord, we acknowledge the unique moment created in this painful event. May your church that has been physically rocked and damaged find itself fully sustained by your Spirit in this time. Lord the bodies of those who love you are weakened physically; we pray for your strength to sustain them. Lord the hearts of those who love you are broken in unimaginable ways; we pray you bring your thread of compassion to stitch them back together. Lord the spirits of those who love you are torn in grief; we pray you give them vision to see your glory being re woven in the restoration of their lives and church in this crisis. In Jesus Name, Amen

Day 6

Lord hear our prayer; for the various sicknesses that will come in the aftermath of civil destruction. We know that both plague of body and plague of heart will set in, O God. We pray for food preservation, water supplies, and for medical resources to continue their effectiveness. Help all with waste management and for your purity to be brought to the coming chaos. Protect those most vulnerable to physical infection and disease in the months to come Lord. May your spirit of healing and health reign over the situation with power and might. In Jesus Name, Amen

Day 7

Lord hear our prayer; that you bring your peace that passes understanding. We pray this peace for all who at the brink of hopelessness. We pray this peace for all who are on the edge of utter despair. We pray this prayer for us, that we may not grow callous to the loss we feel right now. Help us to continue to pray and remember those who love you in a lost land. Bind us together in prayer and unity of your Spirit. Help us asses our response and ask the honest internal questions about what we can do, and what we cannot do right now. We thank you that your love has no limit and that you are a boundless resource of care, compassion, mercy and grace. Where we can, help us go beyond prayer. Where we cannot, help us to pray more. Prayer within your powerful will is our greatest strength. In Jesus Name, Amen