

Bread for the World's 2019 Offering of Letters to Congress

Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow

A Pan-African Litany

SONG: “Give Us This Day” or “More than Enough”

Leader: Lord, you are faithful and trustworthy that you supply us with every need and some of our wants according to your good and perfect will for our lives. We come before you with grateful hearts thanking you for your provision you have poured into our lives.

All: *Thank you Lord for being Jehovah-Jireh, the Lord who provides. You provided the ram to be sacrificed in place of Isaac.*

Leader: Oh Lord, you listened to the cries of the Israelites for food and fed them with manna in the wilderness; let us be grateful for the food we have but also attentive to the cries of the millions that have no food.

All: *Help us, Oh Lord, to be your disciples that provide the modern-day manna of food and clean water, to those who are hungry and thirsty.*

Leader: Today, we remember all those who must go hungry, especially the children who suffer from malnutrition and die of starvation in a world where there is enough food produced for everyone. Forgive us our sin of selfishness, as individuals and as a nation that denies the basic human right to access nutritious food, drinkable water and basic health care.

All: *Oh Lord, we repent for not being our brothers and sisters' keeper as you instructed us to do.*

Leader: Lord we confess with shame the hunger in our world, the unjust systems that allow the poor to cry out to you for bread. Move our hearts not to look away from the poverty that stares at us daily; teach us to know that we cannot share in your life without sharing our lives with others.

All: *Holy Spirit, inspire us to share God's love, challenge us with God's truth, empower us with God's strength to work for a world in which all will have food, clean water and can sit at a table with family and friends sharing in the abundance of God's provision.*



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HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

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