

Call to Prayer and Solidarity

For the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Dear friends, brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion calls all of our Churches, communities, and brothers and sisters to a fervent communion of prayer for the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which is currently going through a health and humanitarian crisis of considerable gravity.

The spread of the Ebola epidemic, of the Bundibugyo strain, is causing deep concern and plunging many populations into suffering, distress, and uncertainty. In the face of this situation, healthcare systems, local communities, and all those working alongside the most vulnerable populations are being heavily called upon.

In this trial, the Anglican Church of the Congo, faithful to its mission of proximity, compassion, and service, stands alongside the affected populations. Its leaders, pastors, and communities are engaged on the ground to accompany the people, raise awareness in communities, combat misinformation, and contribute to prevention and protection efforts.

As members of the same family in Christ, we cannot remain indifferent to the suffering of our brothers and sisters.

The Francophone Network therefore invites you to unite in fervent prayer for the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

LET US PRAY TOGETHER

For the population and those who are sick, so that the Lord may grant them healing, courage, strength, and hope in the face of this trial.

For affected and grieving families, so that God may comfort them, sustain them, and grant them His peace in the midst of suffering.

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For the Anglican Church of the Congo, its bishops, pastors, leaders, and communities, so that the Lord may grant them wisdom, discernment, and courage to accompany and support the faithful during this difficult period.

For healthcare workers and all those engaged on the ground, so that God may protect them in their mission, strengthen them, and keep them as they stand in service to the most vulnerable.

For authorities and all persons involved in the crisis response, so that they may be guided by wisdom, solidarity, and compassion.

In these times of trial, may our prayer be a sign of our communion with our brothers and sisters in the Congo. May our Churches and communities especially bring the Democratic Republic of the Congo before the Lord.

For we are one body in Christ:

"If one part suffers, every part suffers with it."
1 Corinthians 12:26

And the apostle Paul also exhorts us:

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2

May our prayer be fervent, our communion true, and our solidarity fraternal.

May the Lord protect the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, strengthen His Church, sustain the sick and tested families, and accompany all those engaged in serving the most vulnerable.

May God bless and protect the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

In prayer and fraternal communion,

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