

Dove – North Shore – Prayer for Covid19 Lockdown

Dear friends

Hope and pray you are all well and I'm sure are seeking God's help at this time. I have written the following prayer and hope we can unite in praying it for the people of the world.

Blessings

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Father God, You are our Creator. You created this universe and all in it to glorify You, O God. But often we fail and fall in our attempts to give you praise and glory. Today, we rise up to praise You and thank You even in the midst of the trials that the world is facing today. This plague is sweeping the world, Lord God. We know You are close to those who call on You, who call on You from their hearts.

Firstly, we give You thanks for Your Son Jesus who broke the chains of death and rose up in glory making a way for us to come to You.

And so Father God, we come to You united in prayer, praise and worship and ask for Your mercies at this time.

We know You are a Waymaker. All the medical professionals are doing their best to heal and help those with the Covid-19 virus. But without You O God, we can do nothing. We are helpless and feel bound in these chains of the epidemic going around the world. We surrender ourselves to You Lord God and in our helplessness, we beg You for your Power to bring an end to the virus that is sweeping over the world. This is a battle we cannot fight.

So like the Canaanite woman we say “**Lord, help us.**” And Lord let us hear you say, “**Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.**”

Lord God, more than the virus, we know that evil has brought mankind to a new low. Your Heart cries out “How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!” Yes, Lord the world has abandoned You and do not know Your love. We acknowledge our sins and ask Your forgiveness and make reparation to You Lord God who are rich in Love and Mercy.

You Lord God are the Chain Breaker. In Your power, we break this chain of evil that binds the world and bring Satan under our feet. In the Name of Your Son Jesus, we declare Satan - you are rendered helpless, powerless and ineffective against all life. Lord God, we believe in your

Power, we receive Your Power and we will testify Lord God to what You are doing.

We bow our knees before You Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. We pray, that You may grant that those infected with the virus will be strengthened to overcome it and be healed in Jesus' mighty Name. We thank you for those involved in healing them. We ask to anoint their hands that in Your Name there will be healing and restoration. We ask You to shield them with Your Precious Blood so that they will not be infected.

We ask for your mercies Father God, for those who have died. May they be welcomed into your Heavenly abode and see Your glory face to face. Comfort and console their families who are not even allowed to bury them or say their goodbyes. Mary our Mother, we now understand what you went through when Jesus was taken down from Cross and laid in your arms and you had no place to bury Him and Joseph of Arimathea provided a burial place for Our Lord and Saviour.

We pray for Church that we will open once again to worship You O God at daily Mass. Mary our Mother, be with our priests, especially those who live on their own. Holy Spirit be their Friend. May their fellowship with You their Comforter and Consoler.

Holy Spirit, conquer the earth and pour out once again as on the day of Pentecost and reclaim our world.

We are thankful for the victory that the Lord Jesus won for us on the Cross. We rejoice in Your mercy and goodness Lord God.

AMEN