

# Praying with and for the Suffering Body of Christ

Refer to [www.crs.org/where](http://www.crs.org/where) to begin your research and respond to the following:

1. Name of the country or area you are researching: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What are the current issues or major concerns in this area of the world?
3. What group of people is most affected by this issue? How are they affected?
4. What action can we take? How are we called to respond?

As a group, write a prayer using the following guide:

The Body of Christ suffers in the land of \_\_\_\_\_ where  
*(insert name of country)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(briefly describe the situation)*

God of Compassion, we ask \_\_\_\_\_  
*(write a prayer of intercession for this group of people and the situation they are enduring)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Just as the people of \_\_\_\_\_ endure the suffering of the cross, may they also  
*(insert name of country)*  
know the hope and joy of the Resurrection.

*Note:* Choose one or two members of your group to offer the intercessory prayer aloud, and another member of your group to indicate on the map where the country is located.

